

1                   **JOINT RULES RESOLUTION REGARDING A LONG-TERM**  
2                                   **PLANNING CONFERENCE**

3   2014 GENERAL SESSION

4   STATE OF UTAH

5                                   **Chief Sponsor: Brad R. Wilson**

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8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10           This joint rules resolution of the Legislature modifies provisions relating to Joint  
11 Conventions and Joint Committees by providing for a joint Long-Term Planning  
12 Conference.

13 **Highlighted Provisions:**

14           This resolution:

- 15           ▶ requires the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives  
16 to call a joint Long-Term Planning Conference of members of the two houses;  
17           ▶ provides that the conference will be held at least every two years;  
18           ▶ describes the purposes of the Long-Term Planning Conference;  
19           ▶ provides for conference staffing; and  
20           ▶ requires each interim committee to devote part of the May interim committee  
21 meeting to long-term planning.

22 **Special Clauses:**

23           None

24 **Legislative Rules Affected:**

25 ENACTS:

26           **IR2-2-103**

27           **JR3-3-101**

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*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. **IR2-2-103** is enacted to read:

**IR2-2-103. Interim committees -- Long-term planning emphasis.**

(1) Each interim committee shall devote part of its May interim meeting to long-term planning for the areas over which the committee has jurisdiction.

(2) As part of the meeting, the committee may:

(a) review economic and demographic trends and other applicable data;

(b) identify current, emerging, and future issues and challenges; and

(c) develop an action plan to address the issues and challenges identified.

(3) The action plan under Subsection (2)(c) may include plans to:

(a) perform additional research into specific issues and challenges;

(b) develop options to address specific issues and challenges; and

(c) prepare legislation to address specific issues and challenges.

(4) The cochairs of each interim committee are encouraged to seek information, ideas, and assistance from committee members, state agencies, local government, education, business, industry, and interest groups in preparing for the meeting, providing presentations for the meeting, and making assignments related to an action plan.

Section 2. **JR3-3-101** is enacted to read:

**CHAPTER 3. LONG-TERM PLANNING CONFERENCE**

**JR3-3-101. Long-Term Planning Conference.**

(1) The president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives shall, by mutual consent, call a joint Long-Term Planning Conference of members of the two houses.

(2) The conference will be held at least every two years on a date or dates designated jointly by the president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives.

(3) The conference may last one or two days and may include meetings, workshops, and other sessions and activities designed to accomplish the purpose of the conference as described in Section [JR3-3-102](#).

58 Section 3. **JR3-3-102** is enacted to read:

59 **JR3-3-102. Purpose of the Long-Term Planning Conference.**

60 The purpose of the Long-Term Planning Conference is to provide information and tools  
61 that will encourage the Legislature, and other guests invited at the discretion of the Legislature,  
62 to:

63 (1) focus on long-term planning, policy making, and budgeting by the Legislature, state  
64 and local government agencies, and educational institutions;

65 (2) learn about the long-term economic and demographic trends of the state;

66 (3) learn about the long-term budgetary outlook for the state, including any issues or  
67 constraints;

68 (4) consider ways to implement long-term planning processes as part of creating  
69 effective policies, laws, and appropriations that address more than just immediate concerns;  
70 and

71 (5) make informed decisions and implement sound public policy initiatives that ensure  
72 the long-term success and economic vitality of the state and its citizens.

73 Section 4. **JR3-3-103** is enacted to read:

74 **JR3-3-103. Conference agenda -- Staffing.**

75 (1) The president of the Senate and the speaker of the House of Representatives shall  
76 jointly establish the agenda for the conference.

77 (2) Under the direction of the president of the Senate and speaker of the House of  
78 Representatives, the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, with the assistance of  
79 other legislative staff offices, shall staff the conference in accordance with the agenda  
80 described in Subsection (1).

81 (3) The agenda described in Subsection (1) may include a variety of presenters,  
82 including representatives of education, government, business, and the private sector.