

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING THE 40TH  
ANNIVERSARY OF THE UTAH INDOOR CLEAN AIR ACT**

2016 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Paul Ray**

Senate Sponsor: Ralph Okerlund

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This concurrent resolution of the Legislature and the Governor recognizes the 40th anniversary of the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This concurrent resolution:

- ▶ recognizes the 40th anniversary of the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act;
- ▶ commends David Hughes Horne and Representative Gerald Woodmansee for their efforts to pass the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act;
- ▶ acknowledges the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act's contribution to Utah's low smoking rates and partnerships with municipalities and local health departments; and
- ▶ expresses continued support for the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act.

**Special Clauses:**

None

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*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein:*

WHEREAS, in 1976, the Legislature of the state of Utah, recognizing the harms of tobacco use and secondhand smoke, passed H.B. 25, which created the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act;

WHEREAS, the efforts of David Hughes Horne, a concerned citizen who advocated for



28 stricter indoor smoking laws, and Representative Gerald Louis Woodmansee are to be  
29 commended for spearheading H.B. 25 and rallying the support of over 40,000 Utahns;

30 WHEREAS, the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act has:

- 31 • sought to protect the health of all Utahns by creating smoke-free environments in
- 32 public places and places of business;
- 33 • contributed to Utah having the lowest smoking rates in the nation;
- 34 • helped establish rules, laws, and guidelines by which tobacco products are bought and
- 35 sold in Utah; and
- 36 • led to the Utah Department of Health creating the Tobacco Prevention and Control
- 37 Program, which has built relationships with municipalities and supported local health
- 38 departments throughout the state; and

39 WHEREAS, despite significant declines, tobacco use remains a public health challenge:

40 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the  
41 Governor concurring therein, recognizes the 40th anniversary of the Utah Indoor Clean Air  
42 Act.

43 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor express  
44 continued support for the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act on behalf of the citizens of Utah.

45 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor support local  
46 health departments in their efforts to implement the Utah Indoor Clean Air Act.

47 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the Utah  
48 Department of Health.

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**Legislative Review Note**  
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