

LEGAL NOTICE AMENDMENTS

2017 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Scott H. Chew

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends a provision related to legal notice by publication in a newspaper of general circulation.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ modifies the criteria for a publication to be considered a newspaper of general circulation for the purpose of legal notice.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

45-1-201, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2009, Chapter 388

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:

Section 1. Section **45-1-201** is amended to read:

45-1-201. Newspapers "of general circulation" -- Requirements.

~~[No newspaper shall be deemed a newspaper having general circulation for the purpose of publishing any notice, advertisement or publication of any kind required by law, unless it~~



28 has]

29 For the purpose of publishing notice required by Utah law, a "newspaper of general
30 circulation" means a newspaper that:

31 (1) has a bona fide subscription list of not less than 200 subscribers in this state~~[, and~~
32 ~~shall have];~~

33 (2) has been published for ~~[not less than]~~ 18 months~~[, and shall have been admitted in~~
34 ~~the] or longer; and~~

35 (3) has been eligible for mailing under United States ~~[mails as second-class matter]~~
36 Postal Service rules and regulations for at least 12 months~~[; provided, that nothing in this~~
37 ~~chapter shall invalidate the publication in a newspaper which has simply changed its name or~~
38 ~~ownership, or has simply moved its place of publication from one part of the state to another,~~
39 ~~or suspended publication on account of fire, flood or unavoidable accident not to exceed 10~~
40 ~~weeks; provided further, that nothing in this chapter shall apply to any county wherein no~~
41 ~~newspaper has been published the requisite length of time].~~

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