

28 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

29 AMENDS:

30 **20A-1-502**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 1993, Chapter 1

31 ENACTS:

32 **20A-1-502.5**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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34 *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*35 Section 1. Section **20A-1-502** is amended to read:36 **20A-1-502. Midterm vacancy in office of United States senator.**37 ~~[(1) When a vacancy occurs for any reason in the office of a representative in~~
38 ~~Congress, the governor shall issue a proclamation calling an election to fill the vacancy.]~~39 ~~[(2)(a) (1) When a vacancy occurs in the office of [U.S.] United States senator, [it]~~
40 ~~the vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term at the next regular general election.~~41 ~~[(b) (2) The governor shall appoint [a person] ~~H→~~ [an individual, nominated by the] one of~~
41a ~~three individuals, nominated by the Legislature, who are members of the same ~~←H~~ state~~
42 ~~political party ~~H→~~ [of] as ~~←H~~ the prior officeholder, to serve as [U.S.] United States senator until~~
42a ~~the~~
43 ~~vacancy is filled by election [from one of three persons nominated by the state central~~
44 ~~committee of the same political party as the prior officeholder].~~45 Section 2. Section **20A-1-502.5** is enacted to read:46 **20A-1-502.5. Midterm vacancy in office of United States representative.**47 (1) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (2), when a vacancy occurs in the office of
48 United States representative, the governor shall, within seven days after the day on which the
49 vacancy occurs:50 (i) issue a proclamation calling a special congressional election to fill the vacancy; and51 (ii) post the proclamation on the lieutenant governor's website.52 (b) An individual who fills a vacancy under this section shall serve until the end of the
53 current term for which the vacancy exists.54 (2) If the vacancy occurs on or after the date of the regular general election, and before
55 the beginning of the term for the office of United States representative:56 (a) the governor may not call a special congressional election to fill the vacancy; and57 (b) the office shall remain vacant for the remainder of the current term.58 (3) If the vacancy occurs 90 or fewer days before the day of the next regular general