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**TALENT READY UTAH AMENDMENTS**

2018 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Ann Millner**

House Sponsor: Rebecca P. Edwards

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill creates the Talent Ready Utah Center within the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED).

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ creates the Talent Ready Utah Center within GOED;
- ▶ creates the Talent Ready Utah Board within GOED; and
- ▶ describes the duties of the center and the board.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

This bill appropriates in fiscal year 2019:

▶ to the Governor's Office of Economic Development -- Talent Ready Utah Center as a one-time appropriation:

- from the General Fund, One-time, \$150,000; and

▶ to the Governor's Office of Economic Development -- Talent Ready Utah Center as an ongoing appropriation:

- from the General Fund, \$250,000.

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**



28 AMENDS:

29 [63N-12-202](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapters 219 and 353

30 ENACTS:

31 [63N-12-501](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953

32 [63N-12-502](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953

33 [63N-12-503](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953

34 [63N-12-504](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

37 Section 1. Section [63N-12-202](#) is amended to read:

38 **[63N-12-202. Definitions.](#)**

39 As used in this part:

40 (1) "Board" means the STEM Action Center Board created in Section [63N-12-203](#).

41 (2) "Computing partnerships" means a set of skills, knowledge, and aptitudes used in  
42 computer science, information technology, or computer engineering courses and career options.

43 (3) "Director" means the director appointed by the board to oversee the administration  
44 of the STEM Action Center.

45 (4) "Educator" means the same as that term is defined in Section [53A-6-103](#).

46 (5) "Foundation" means a foundation established as described in Subsections  
47 [63N-12-204](#)(3) and (4).

48 (6) "Fund" means the STEM Action Center Foundation Fund created in Section  
49 [63N-12-204.5](#).

50 (7) "Grant program" means the Computing Partnerships Grants program created in this  
51 part.

52 (8) "High quality professional development" means professional development that  
53 meets high quality standards developed by the State Board of Education.

54 (9) "Institution of higher education" means an institution listed in Section [53B-1-102](#).

55 (10) "K-16" means kindergarten through grade 12 and post-secondary education  
56 programs.

57 (11) "Office" means the Governor's Office of Economic Development.

58 (12) "Provider" means a provider selected on behalf of the board by the staff of the

59 board and the staff of the State Board of Education:

60 (a) through a request for proposals process; or

61 (b) through a direct award or sole source procurement process for a pilot described in  
62 Section [63N-12-206](#).

63 (13) "Review committee" means the committee established under Section [63N-12-214](#).

64 (14) "Stacked credentials" means credentials that:

65 (a) an individual can build upon to access an advanced job or higher wage;

66 (b) are part of a career pathway system;

67 (c) provide a pathway culminating in the equivalent of an associate's or bachelor's  
68 degree;

69 (d) facilitate multiple exit and entry points; and

70 (e) recognize sub-goals or momentum points.

71 (15) "STEM" means science, technology, engineering, and mathematics.

72 (16) "STEM Action Center" means the center described in Section [63N-12-205](#).

73 (17) "Talent Ready Utah" means ~~[a partnership between the Governor's Office of  
74 Economic Development, the Governor's Education Advisor, the Department of Workforce  
75 Services, the Utah State Board of Education, the Utah System of Higher Education,  
76 representatives of post-secondary technical education, industry partners, and the Utah STEM  
77 Action Center]~~ the Talent Ready Utah Center created in Section [63N-12-502](#).

78 Section 2. Section [63N-12-501](#) is enacted to read:

79 **Part 5. Talent Ready Utah Center**

80 **63N-12-501. Definitions.**

81 As used in this part:

82 (1) "Center" means the Talent Ready Utah Center created in Section [63N-12-502](#).

83 (2) "Talent ready board" means the Talent Ready Utah Board created in Section  
84 [63N-12-503](#).

85 (3) "Workforce programs" means education or industry programs that facilitate training  
86 the state's workforce to meet industry demand.

87 Section 3. Section [63N-12-502](#) is enacted to read:

88 **63N-12-502. Talent Ready Utah Center.**

89 (1) There is created within GOED the Talent Ready Utah Center.

- 90           (2) The executive director shall appoint a director of the center.
- 91           (3) The director of the center may appoint staff with the approval of the executive
- 92 director.
- 93           (4) The center shall coordinate with the talent ready board to:
- 94           (a) further education and industry alignment in the state;
- 95           (b) coordinate the development of new education programs that align with industry
- 96 demand;
- 97           (c) coordinate or partner with other state agencies to administer grant programs;
- 98           (d) promote the inclusion of industry partners in education;
- 99           (e) provide outreach and information to employers regarding workforce programs and
- 100 initiatives;
- 101           (f) develop and analyze stackable credential programs;
- 102           (g) determine efficiencies among workforce providers;
- 103           (h) map available workforce programs focusing on programs that successfully create
- 104 high-paying jobs; and
- 105           (i) support initiatives of the talent ready board.

106           Section 4. Section **63N-12-503** is enacted to read:

107           **63N-12-503. Talent Ready Utah Board.**

- 108           (1) There is created within GOED the Talent Ready Utah Board composed of the
- 109 following 13 members:
- 110           (a) the state superintendent of public instruction or the superintendent's designee;
- 111           (b) the commissioner of higher education or the commissioner of higher education's
- 112 designee;
- 113           (c) the commissioner of technical education or the commissioner of technical
- 114 education's designee;
- 115           (d) the executive director of the Department of Workforce Services or the executive
- 116 director of the department's designee;
- 117           (e) the executive director of GOED or the executive director's designee;
- 118           (f) the governor's education advisor or the advisor's designee;
- 119           (g) one member of the Senate, appointed by the president of the Senate;
- 120           (h) one member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the speaker of the

121 House of Representatives;

122 (i) the president of the Salt Lake Chamber or the president's designee;

123 (j) three representatives of private industry chosen by the talent ready board; and

124 (k) a representative of the technology industry chosen by the talent ready board.

125 (2) The talent ready board shall select a chair and vice chair from among the members  
126 of the talent ready board.

127 (3) The talent ready board shall meet at least quarterly.

128 (4) Attendance of a majority of the members of the talent ready board constitutes a  
129 quorum for the transaction of official talent ready board business.

130 (5) Formal action by the talent ready board requires the majority vote of a quorum.

131 (6) A member of the talent ready board:

132 (a) may not receive compensation or benefits for the member's service; and

133 (b) who is not a legislator may receive per diem and travel expenses in accordance

134 with:

135 (i) Section [63A-3-106](#);

136 (ii) Section [63A-3-107](#); and

137 (iii) rules made by the Division of Finance pursuant to Sections [63A-3-106](#) and  
138 [63A-3-107](#).

139 (7) The talent ready board shall:

140 (a) develop metrics to measure the effectiveness of workforce programs in the state;

141 (b) make recommendations to the center regarding how to better align training and  
142 education in the state with industry demand;

143 (c) make recommendations to the center regarding how to better align technical  
144 education with current and future workforce needs; and

145 (d) coordinate with the center to meet the responsibilities described in Subsection  
146 [63N-12-502\(4\)](#).

147 Section 5. Section **63N-12-504** is enacted to read:

148 **63N-12-504. Reporting.**

149 The center shall prepare an annual report describing the center's operations and  
150 recommendations for inclusion in GOED's annual written report described in Section

151 [63N-1-301](#).

152           Section 6. **Appropriation.**

153           The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
154 2018, and ending June 30, 2019. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for  
155 fiscal year 2019. Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures  
156 Act, the Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts  
157 indicated for the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.

158           To Governor's Office of Economic Development -- Talent Ready Utah Center

159 <u>From General Fund, One-time</u>	<u>\$150,000</u>
160 <u>From General Fund</u>	<u>\$250,000</u>
161 <u>Schedule of Programs:</u>	
162 <u>Talent Ready Utah Center</u>	<u>\$400,000</u>

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**Legislative Review Note**  
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