

1                   **JOINT RESOLUTION REGARDING APPROVAL OF**  
2                                   **SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

3                                   2019 GENERAL SESSION

4                                   STATE OF UTAH

5                                   **Chief Sponsor: Raymond P. Ward**

6                                   Senate Sponsor: Luz Escamilla

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8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10                   This resolution grants the Legislature's approval for certain state entities to enter into a  
11 settlement agreement to resolve a pending lawsuit.

12 **Highlighted Provisions:**

13                   This resolution:

14                   ▶ gives approval to the settlement agreement negotiated by the parties and approved  
15 by the governor in the case *Christensen et al. v. Miner et al.*, Case No. 2:18-cv-0037  
16 (United States District Court for the District of Utah).

17 **Special Clauses:**

18                   None

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

21                   WHEREAS, the Department of Health and other state entities and employees of Utah  
22 were sued by the Disability Law Center and a prospective class of Utah Medicaid eligible  
23 individuals with intellectual or developmental disabilities;

24                   WHEREAS, the parties have entered into a final settlement agreement;

25                   WHEREAS, pursuant to Utah Code Section [63G-10-302](#), the governor has approved  
26 that settlement agreement;

27                   WHEREAS, Utah Code Section [63G-10-303](#) requires the Legislature to approve a  
28 settlement agreement that legally binds the state to take action that might cost government  
29 entities more than \$1,000,000 to implement; and

30           WHEREAS, the cost of implementing the settlement agreement will exceed  
31 \$1,000,000:  
32           NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature that the Legislature  
33 approves the final draft of the settlement agreement and action plan in the case of *Christensen*  
34 *et al. v. Miner et al.*