

## SJR008S02 compared with SJR008

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Senator Daniel W. Thatcher proposes the following substitute bill:

### JOINT RESOLUTION AMENDING RULES OF EVIDENCE -

#### VICTIM SELECTION

2019 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Daniel W. Thatcher**

House Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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#### LONG TITLE

##### General Description:

This joint resolution amends the Utah Rules of Evidence by enacting a rule that prohibits the admissibility of evidence regarding a defendant's selection of a victim, except as specified.

##### Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

- ▶ provides that a ~~{criminal}~~ defendant's expressions or associations are not admissible as evidence of the defendant's selection of a victim for purposes of a victim ~~{selection}~~targeting penalty enhancement, except when the evidence:
  - specifically relates to the ~~{crime}~~criminal offense charged; or

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- is introduced for impeachment.

### Special Clauses:

This resolution provides a special effective date.

### Utah Rules of Evidence Affected:

ENACTS:

**Rule 417**, Utah Rules of Evidence

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*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, two-thirds of all members elected to each of the two houses voting in favor thereof:*

As provided in Utah Constitution Article VIII, Section 4, the Legislature may amend rules of procedure and evidence adopted by the Utah Supreme Court upon a two-thirds vote of all members of both houses of the Legislature:

Section 1. **Rule 417**, Utah Rules of Evidence is enacted to read:

**Rule 417. Admissibility of Evidence of the Actor's Expression or Association in Victim ~~{Selection}~~ Targeting Criminal Penalty Enhancements.**

Evidence of a criminal defendant's expressions or associations is not admissible to establish a penalty enhancement for a defendant's selection of a victim unless the evidence is otherwise admissible under these rules and specifically relates to the defendant's selection of the victim of the ~~{crime}~~ offense charged or is introduced for impeachment.

Section 2. **Effective date.**

This resolution takes effect upon approval by a constitutional two-thirds vote of all members elected to each house.