JOINT RESOLUTION extending the state of emergency due to infectious disease COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus

2020 GENERAL SESSION
STATE OF UTAH
Chief Sponsor: Paul Ray
Senate Sponsor: Ann Millner

LONG TITLE
General Description:
This joint resolution extends the state of emergency due to infectious disease COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus.

Highlighted Provisions:
This resolution:
→ recognizes the Governor's executive order, issued on March 6, 2020, declaring a state of emergency due to infectious disease COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus;
→ recognizes that the Governor has requested that the Legislature extend the state of emergency to June 30, 2020;
→ finds that the extension is necessary to protect the health and welfare of the citizens of the state of Utah; and
→ extends the state of emergency, due to infectious disease COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus, to June 30, 2020.

Special Clauses:
None.

Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
WHEREAS, on March 6, 2020, pursuant to Utah Code Section 53-2a-206, Governor Gary R. Herbert issued an executive order declaring a state of emergency due to infectious disease COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus;
WHEREAS, Utah Code Subsection 53-2a-206(3) provides that "[a] state of emergency
may not continue for longer than 30 days unless extended by joint resolution of the
Legislature";

WHEREAS, the Governor issued the executive order as a proactive measure, before a
confirmed case was diagnosed in the state;

WHEREAS, subsequent to the Governor's order declaring an emergency, but on the
same day, the first case of COVID-19 in Utah was confirmed;

WHEREAS, the Governor has requested that the Legislature extend the state of
emergency, declared by the Governor, until June 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, the Legislature finds that it is necessary to extend the state of emergency
until June 30, 2020, to ensure that appropriate response and recovery action is taken to protect
the health and welfare of the citizens of the state of Utah:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Legislature of the state of Utah that
the state of emergency declared by the Governor on March 6, 2020, due to infectious disease
COVID-19 Novel Coronavirus, is extended to June 30, 2020.