

1 **JOINT RESOLUTION REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OR**
2 **DEMOLITION MATERIAL**

3 2020 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Luz Escamilla**

6 House Sponsor: Stephen G. Handy

8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This joint resolution requests the development of recommendations for ordinances
11 related to construction or demolition material.

12 **Highlighted Provisions:**

13 This resolution:

- 14 ▶ acknowledges the disposal of construction or demolition material;
- 15 ▶ acknowledges that local ordinances could increase diversion rates; and
- 16 ▶ requests the Utah League of Cities and Towns and the Utah Association of Counties

17 to:

- 18 • make recommendations as to local ordinances addressing diversion rates and
19 reuse of construction or demolition materials available to their members;
- 20 • make recommendations as to local ordinances that are reasonable; and
- 21 • make available to their members a repository of existing local ordinances
22 addressing diversion rates and reuse of construction or demolition materials.

23 **Special Clauses:**

24 None

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

27 WHEREAS, "construction or demolition material" includes building materials,
28 packaging, and rubble resulting from construction, demolition, remodeling, and repair of
29 pavements, houses, commercial buildings, and other structures, and from road building and

30 land clearing that may be recycled or converted to scrap that is processed material for use in
31 new products;

32 WHEREAS, "diversion rate" means the percentage of construction or demolition
33 material diverted from disposal through methods including waste prevention, recycling, or
34 reuse;

35 WHEREAS, construction activities in the state generate construction or demolition
36 material that is currently being disposed;

37 WHEREAS, counties or municipalities can by ordinance increase the diversion rate for
38 construction or demolition material; and

39 WHEREAS, counties or municipalities are more likely to adopt ordinances to increase
40 the diversion rate for construction or demolition material if there are recommendations for how
41 these ordinances would work:

42 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah
43 requests that the Utah League of Cities and Towns and the Utah Association of Counties make
44 recommendations to their members by December 31, 2020, regarding ordinances that a county
45 or municipality may adopt or modify to require:

46 (1) a range of diversion rates of construction or demolition materials from 50% to 75%
47 as determined by the Utah League of Cities and Towns and the Utah Association of Counties;
48 and

49 (2) a percentage of reuse of construction or demolition materials of 10%.

50 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature requests that the recommendations
51 for ordinances under this resolution be reasonable and take into account issues such as the
52 availability in a geographic area of services for recycling.

53 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature requests that the Utah League of
54 Cities and Towns and the Utah Association of Counties make available to their members by
55 December 31, 2020, a repository of existing local ordinances addressing diversion rates and
56 reuse of construction or demolition materials.

57 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the resolution be provided to the Utah

58 League of Cities and Towns and the Utah Association of Counties.