

1 **JOINT RULES RESOLUTION -- WORKLOAD REPORTING**

2 2020 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Chief Sponsor: Ann Millner**

5 House Sponsor: Val L. Peterson

7 **LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9 This resolution amends the Legislature's Joint Rules governing legislation that increases
10 legislative workload.

11 **Highlighted Provisions:**

12 This resolution:

13 ▶ modifies existing provisions governing reporting of legislation affecting legislative
14 workload; and

15 ▶ requires the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel to report
16 legislation that increases legislative workload to the president of the Senate, speaker
17 of the House of Representatives, minority leaders, and Senate and House Rules
18 Committee chairs.

19 **Special Clauses:**

20 None

21 **Legislative Rules Affected:**

22 AMENDS:

23 **JR4-3-110**

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

26 Section 1. **JR4-3-110** is amended to read:

27 **JR4-3-110. Legislation increasing legislative workload -- Legislative**



28 **Management Committee review -- Sunset dates.**

29 (1) (a) As used in this section, "increases legislative workload" means to propose a
30 statute, resolution, or rule that:

31 (i) [~~place~~] places a member of the Legislature on a board, commission, task force, or
32 other public body; [~~or~~]

33 (ii) [~~give~~] gives authority to a member of the Legislative Management Committee to
34 appoint a member of a board, commission, task force, or other public body; or

35 (iii) requires a legislative staff office to staff a board, commission, task force, or other
36 public body.

37 (b) "Increases legislative workload" includes reauthorizing an existing provision
38 described in Subsection (1)(a).

39 (2) (a) The [~~Legislative Management Committee shall review~~] Office of Legislative
40 Research and General Counsel shall:

41 (i) identify legislation that increases legislative workload[~~:(i) in accordance with~~
42 ~~Subsection (2)(b); and (ii) if practicable;~~] before the legislation passes both houses of the
43 Legislature; and

44 (ii) report legislation that increases legislative workload to the president of the Senate,
45 speaker of the House of Representatives, minority leaders, and the chairs of the Senate and
46 House Rules Committees.

47 (b) [~~When reviewing legislation that increases legislative workload, the Legislative~~
48 ~~Management Committee shall consider~~] In making the report required by Subsection (2)(a)(ii),
49 the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel may provide information and make
50 recommendations about:

51 (i) the funding required by the legislation;

52 (ii) the staffing resources required to implement the legislation;

53 (iii) the time legislators and legislative staff will be required to commit as a result of
54 the legislation;

55 (iv) if the legislation creates or reauthorizes a board, commission, task force, or other
56 public body, whether the responsibilities of that board, commission, task force, or other public
57 body could reasonably be accomplished through an existing entity or without legislation; and

58 (v) whether the legislation [~~complies with Subsection (3)~~] sunsets or repeals the board,

59 commission, task force, or other public body created by the legislation.

60 ~~[(c) The Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall assist the~~

61 ~~Legislative Management Committee in identifying:]~~

62 ~~[(i) legislation that increases legislative workload; and]~~

63 ~~[(ii) information described in Subsection (2)(b) related to legislation that increases~~

64 ~~legislative workload:]~~

65 ~~[(3) Legislation that increases legislative workload shall include a sunset or repeal date~~

66 ~~on the provision that creates the board, commission, task force, or other body that is related to~~

67 ~~the increase.]~~