

**JOINT RESOLUTION REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OR
DEMOLITION MATERIAL**

2020 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Luz Escamilla

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

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

Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

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

make recommendations as to local ordinances addressing diversion rates and reuse of construction or demolition materials;

- ▶ encourages that the recommendations as to local ordinances be reasonable; and
- ▶ requests that the Utah League of Cities and Towns and the Utah Association of

Counties report.

Special Clauses:

None

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

WHEREAS, "construction or demolition material" includes building materials, packaging, and rubble resulting from construction, demolition, remodeling, and repair of



28 pavements, houses, commercial buildings, and other structures, and from road building and
29 land clearing that may be recycled or converted to scrap that is processed material for use in
30 new products;

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

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

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

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

41 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah
42 requests that the Utah League of Cities and Towns and the Utah Association of Counties work
43 with stakeholders and make recommendations by December 31, 2020, for one or more
44 ordinances that a county or municipality may adopt or modify to require:

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

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

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

52 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature requests that the Utah League of
53 Cities and Towns and the Utah Association of Counties report their efforts under this
54 resolution to the Business and Labor Interim Committee by no later than the November 2020
55 interim meeting of the Business and Labor Interim Committee.

56 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the resolution be provided to the Utah
57 League of Cities and Towns and the Utah Association of Counties.