

**Representative Jennifer Dailey-Provost** proposes the following substitute bill:

**OVERDOSE HARM REDUCTION WORKING GROUP**

2021 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Jennifer Dailey-Provost**

Senate Sponsor: Luz Escamilla

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill creates a working group to study harm reduction oriented strategies to reduce overdose injuries and deaths in the state.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ directs the Utah Substance Abuse Advisory Council to convene a working group to study harm reduction oriented strategies to reduce overdose injuries and deaths;
- ▶ describes the purpose and membership of the working group; and
- ▶ creates a reporting requirement and a sunset date.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**63I-2-263**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Fifth Special Session, Chapter 12

ENACTS:

**63M-1-303.1**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



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*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*

Section 1. Section **63I-2-263** is amended to read:

**63I-2-263. Repeal dates, Title 63A to Title 63N.**

(1) On July 1, 2020:

(a) Subsection **63A-1-203(5)(a)(i)** is repealed; and

(b) in Subsection **63A-1-203(5)(a)(ii)**, the language that states "appointed on or after May 8, 2018," is repealed.

(2) Section **63A-3-111** is repealed June 30, 2021.

(3) Title 63C, Chapter 19, Higher Education Strategic Planning Commission is repealed July 1, 2021.

(4) Title 63C, Chapter 22, Digital Wellness, Citizenship, and Safe Technology Commission is repealed July 1, 2023.

(5) The following sections regarding the World War II Memorial Commission are repealed on July 1, 2022:

(a) Section **63G-1-801**;

(b) Section **63G-1-802**;

(c) Section **63G-1-803**; and

(d) Section **63G-1-804**.

(6) Subsections **63G-6a-802(1)(d)** and **63G-6a-802(3)(b)(iii)**, regarding a procurement relating to a vice presidential debate, are repealed January 1, 2021.

~~[(7) In relation to the State Fair Park Committee, on January 1, 2021:]~~

~~[(a) Section **63H-6-104.5** is repealed; and]~~

~~[(b) Subsections **63H-6-104(8)** and **(9)** are repealed.]~~

~~[(8)]~~ (7) Section **63H-7a-303** is repealed July 1, 2024.

~~[(9)]~~ (8) Subsection **63J-1-206(3)(c)**, relating to coronavirus, is repealed July 1, 2021.

~~[(10)]~~ (9) In relation to the Employability to Careers Program Board, on July 1, 2022:

(a) Subsection **63J-1-602.1(57)** is repealed;

(b) Subsection **63J-4-301(1)(h)**, related to the review of data and metrics, is repealed;

and

(c) Title 63J, Chapter 4, Part 7, Employability to Careers Program, is repealed.

57 (10) Section 63M-1-303.1 is repealed on January 1, 2022.

58 (11) Title 63M, Chapter 4, Part 8, Voluntary Home Energy Information Pilot Program  
59 Act, is repealed January 1, 2022.

60 (12) Sections 63M-7-213 and 63M-7-213.5 are repealed on January 1, 2023.

61 (13) Subsection 63N-12-508(3) is repealed December 31, 2021.

62 (14) Title 63N, Chapter 13, Part 3, Facilitating [~~Public-Private~~] Public-private  
63 Partnerships Act, is repealed January 1, 2024.

64 (15) Title 63N, Chapter 15, COVID-19 Economic Recovery Programs, is repealed  
65 December 31, 2021.

66 Section 2. Section 63M-1-303.1 is enacted to read:

67 **63M-1-303.1. Working group to study strategies for overdose harm reduction.**

68 (1) The council shall convene a working group to study harm reduction oriented  
69 strategies to address overdose injuries and deaths, including the feasibility of establishing:

70 (a) a pilot program for an overdose prevention site; and

71 (b) a mobile unit to increase access to certain medication-assisted therapies for  
72 vulnerable or marginalized areas and populations.

73 (2) The working group convened under Subsection (1) shall include representation  
74 from at least the following groups:

75 (a) family members impacted by drug overdose;

76 (b) recovery community advocates;

77 (c) a local elected official;

78 (d) local law enforcement;

79 (e) local fire department;

80 (f) local prosecutors;

81 (g) local treatment providers;

82 (h) a member from the council;

83 (i) a representative from the Utah Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health;

84 (j) a representative from the Department of Health;

85 (k) a representative of a local health department;

86 (l) a representative of local governments in the state; and

87 (m) other community members as needed.

88           (3) On or before November 17, 2021, the working group convened under Subsection  
89 (1) shall report to the Health and Human Services Interim Committee strategies and proposals  
90 for legislative changes to reduce overdose injuries and deaths through harm reduction oriented  
91 strategies, including the feasibility of establishing:  
92           (a) a pilot program for an overdose prevention site; and  
93           (b) a mobile unit to increase access to certain medication-assisted therapies for  
94 vulnerable or marginalized areas and populations.