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**Senator Lincoln Fillmore** proposes the following substitute bill:

## PAYMENT IN LIEU OF TAXES FUNDS FOR COUNTIES

2021 GENERAL SESSION STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Lincoln Fillmore** 

House Sponsor: Keven J. Stratton

#### **LONG TITLE**

#### **Committee Note:**

The Federalism Commission recommended this bill.

Legislative Vote: 6 voting for 0 voting against 3 absent

## **General Description:**

This bill creates the Federal Lands Payment in Lieu of Tax restricted account and establishes rules for distribution of certain federal funds.

## **Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- defines terms;
- creates the Federal Lands Payment in Lieu of Tax Account;
- creates a base distribution level of payments in lieu of tax on federal entitlement lands; and

• creates distribution requirements for money received for payments in lieu of tax on federal entitlement lands that exceeds the base distribution level.

# Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

## **Other Special Clauses:**

None

#### **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

## **ENACTS:**

**51-9-901**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

**51-9-902**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

**51-9-903**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

**51-9-904**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section 51-9-901 is enacted to read:

# Part 9. Federal Lands Payment in Lieu of Tax Act

51-9-901. Title.

This part is known as the "Federal Lands Payment in Lieu of Tax Act."

Section 2. Section 51-9-902 is enacted to read:

# **51-9-902.** Definitions.

As used in this part:

- (1) "Entitlement land" means the same as that term is defined in 31 U.S.C. Sec. 6901.
- (2) "Federal Lands Payment in Lieu of Tax Account" or "account" means the Federal Lands Payment in Lieu of Tax Account created in Section 51-9-903.
- (3) "Governmental services" means the same as that term is defined in 31 U.S.C. Sec. 6901.
  - (4) "Taxing entity" means the same as that term is defined in Section 59-2-102.

Section 3. Section **51-9-903** is enacted to read:

## <u>51-9-903.</u> Creation of the Federal Lands Payment in Lieu of Tax Account.

(1) (a) As permitted by 31 U.S.C. Sec. 6907, there is created a restricted account within the General Fund known as the "Federal Lands Payment in Lieu of Tax Account."

- (b) The account shall consist of:
- (i) all money credited to the account pursuant to Title 31 U.S.C. Chapter 69, Payment for Entitlement Land;
  - (ii) appropriations from the Legislature; and
  - (iii) private grants or contributions \{; and\}.
- { (iv) interest deposited as described in Subsection (1)(c)(ii).
  - (c) The state treasurer shall:
- (i) invest the money in the account by following the procedures and requirements of Chapter 7, State Money Management Act; and
  - (ii) deposit all interest or other earnings derived from the account into the account.
- † (2) The Legislature shall appropriate money from the account as provided in Section 51-9-904.

Section 4. Section 51-9-904 is enacted to read:

# <u>51-9-904.</u> Distribution of revenue in the Federal Lands Payment in Lieu of Tax Account.

- (1) As permitted by 31 U.S.C. Sec. 6907, and subject to Subsections (2) and (3), the Legislature shall make appropriations from the account in accordance with Title 31 U.S.C. Chapter 69, Payment for Entitlement Land and as provided in this section.
- (2) (a) Subject to appropriation, and subject to Subsection (2)(b), the Division of Finance shall, beginning on July 1, 2021, deposit with each county an amount equal to the amount received by each respective county from the Secretary of the Interior for payment for entitlement lands pursuant to Title 31 U.S.C. Chapter 69, Payment for Entitlement Land for the federal fiscal year ending on {June 30,} September 30, 2020, plus an additional 5% above the highest amount received by each respective county in any federal fiscal year since 2020.
- (b) If the amount distributed by the Secretary of the Interior for a particular year is an amount less than 5% above the amount distributed in the federal fiscal year ending on September 30, 2020, the Division of Finance shall:
- (i) proportionately reduce the amount according to the respective amount for each county as calculated by the Secretary of the Interior; and
  - (ii) distribute to each county the amount reduced according to Subsection (2)(b)(i).
  - (c) A county may use money distributed pursuant to this Subsection (2) for any purpose

that meets the definition of governmental services.

- (3) (a) For any amount in the account that exceeds the <u>highest</u> amount distributed <del>(under)</del> by the Secretary of the Interior in the federal fiscal year ending on September 30, 2020, plus an additional 5% as described in Subsection (2), the Division of Finance shall distribute the funds to each county in the same proportion as the funds distributed pursuant to Subsection (2).
- (b) A county shall distribute money received pursuant to Subsection (3)(a) to each taxing entity within the county in the same proportion as property tax revenue is distributed among taxing entities pursuant to Title 59, Chapter 2, Property Tax Act and existing local law regarding property tax distribution.