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Senator Luz Escamilla proposes the following substitute bill:

CONCURRENT RESOLUTION ENCOURAGING THE  
~~DEVELOPMENT~~ EVALUATION OF ~~A MULTI-STATE~~ INTERSTATE  
PASSENGER RAIL  
~~COMMISSION~~ OPPORTUNITIES

2021 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Luz Escamilla**

House Sponsor: Sandra Hollins

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### LONG TITLE

#### General Description:

This concurrent resolution encourages the ~~creation~~ evaluation of ~~a multi-state~~ interstate passenger rail ~~commission~~ opportunities and the expansion of Utah's rail infrastructure. ~~}}~~

#### Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

- ▶ recognizes the benefits of railway investment and expanded rail infrastructure;
- ▶ ~~highlights the Southern Rail Commission as a model for~~ requests that the Utah

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- Department of Transportation, the Utah Transit Authority, and Utah's Metropolitan Planning Organizations research interstate rail ~~{cooperation;~~  
→ ~~requests that}~~ expansion and identify funding opportunities; and
- ▶ calls on the Governor's Office of Economic Development, the Utah Department of Transportation, the Utah Transit Authority, and Utah's Metropolitan Planning Organizations to work together to evaluate expanded rail infrastructure in Utah and report to the Legislature, the Governor, and Utah's federal delegation to the United States Congress ~~{ support the creation of a multi-state passenger rail commission; and~~
- ~~calls on the Utah League of Cities and Towns, the Utah Association of Counties, the Department of Transportation, and the Governor's Office of Economic Development to support this multi-state passenger rail commission as well as the overall expansion of Utah's rail infrastructure}~~.

### Special Clauses:

None

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*Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein:*

WHEREAS, railway investment can spur economic growth by inducing travel and tourism spending;

WHEREAS, expanded rail infrastructure can promote economic opportunity by fostering a business environment that attracts investment and creates jobs;

WHEREAS, expanded rail infrastructure can foster rural economic development by improving access to rural communities and tourist attractions;

WHEREAS, expanded rail infrastructure can encourage individuals to travel by rail, reducing air pollution, highway wear, and traffic crashes; and

WHEREAS, ~~{the United States Congress, in 1982, enabled the formation of an interstate rail compact between Louisiana, Mississippi, and contiguous states that led to the creation of the Southern Rail Commission; and~~

~~WHEREAS, the Southern Rail Commission engages and informs public and private rail interests to support and influence Southeast rail initiatives}~~ expanded rail infrastructure can facilitate interstate mobility by connecting Utah's cities, towns, and rural communities to other

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states:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the

Governor concurring therein, requests that ~~{Utah's federal delegation to Congress support the creation}~~ the Utah Department of Transportation, the Utah Transit Authority, the Cache Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Dixie Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Mountainland Association of Governments, and the Wasatch Front Regional Council research interstate passenger rail expansion, including the feasibility of a multi-state passenger rail commission, and identify opportunities for ~~{western states along the lines of the Southern Rail Commission}~~ funding interstate rail.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor call on the ~~{Utah League of Cities and Towns, the Utah Association of Counties, the Department of Transportation, and the}~~ Governor's Office of Economic Development ~~{to support the creation of this multi-state passenger rail commission and, more broadly, encourage}~~, the Utah Department of Transportation, the Utah Transit Authority, the Cache Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Dixie Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Mountainland Association of Governments, and the Wasatch Front Regional Council to work together to evaluate the expansion of passenger rail infrastructure in Utah.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor request that the Governor's Office of Economic Development, the Utah Department of Transportation, the Utah Transit Authority, the Cache Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Dixie Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Mountainland Association of Governments, and the Wasatch Front Regional Council prepare a report for the Legislature, the Governor, and members of Utah's federal delegation to Congress on recommendations for expanding passenger rail infrastructure and funding opportunities.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to ~~{the}~~ members of Utah's congressional delegation, ~~{the Utah League of Cities and Towns, the Utah Association of Counties, the Department of Transportation, and}~~ the Governor's Office of Economic Development, the Utah Department of Transportation, the Utah Transit Authority, the Cache Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Dixie Metropolitan Planning Organization, the Mountainland Association of Governments, and the Wasatch Front Regional Council.

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