

VICTIM ADDRESS CONFIDENTIALITY PROGRAM

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STATE OF UTAH

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill creates an address confidentiality program for crime victims.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ addresses voter registration for individuals participating in an address confidentiality program;
- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ creates an address confidentiality program in the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice;
- ▶ describes eligibility and application requirements for program participants;
- ▶ addresses the administrative responsibilities of the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice in maintaining the address confidentiality program;
- ▶ describes the permitted uses for assigned addresses;
- ▶ permits disclosure to state and local government entities in certain circumstances;
- ▶ addresses service of process, disclosure in judicial and administrative proceedings, and orders relating to custody and parent-time;
- ▶ addresses immunity and the retention and destruction of records;
- ▶ creates the Address Confidentiality Program Restricted Account;
- ▶ provides rulemaking authority to the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice; and



28 ▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

29 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

30 None

31 **Other Special Clauses:**

32 None

33 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

34 AMENDS:

35 **20A-2-204**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapters 31, 95, 255 and last
36 amended by Coordination Clause, Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 95

37 ENACTS:

38 **77-38-601**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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41 **77-38-604**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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48 **77-38-611**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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51 **77-38-614**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

52 **77-38-615**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

53 **77-38-616**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

54 **77-38-617**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

55 **77-38-618**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

56 **77-38-619**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

57 **77-38-620**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

58 **77-38-621**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **20A-2-204** is amended to read:

20A-2-204. Registering to vote when applying for or renewing a driver license.

(1) As used in this section, "voter registration form" means, when an individual named on a qualifying form, as defined in Section **20A-2-108**, answers "yes" to the question described in Subsection **20A-2-108(2)(a)**, the information on the qualifying form that can be used for voter registration purposes.

(2) (a) ~~[A]~~ Except as provided in Subsection (2)(b), a citizen who is qualified to vote may register to vote, and a citizen who is qualified to preregister to vote may preregister to vote, by answering "yes" to the question described in Subsection **20A-2-108(2)(a)** and completing the voter registration form.

(b) A citizen who is a program participant in the Address Confidentiality Program created in Section **77-38-602** is not eligible to register to vote as described in Subsection (2)(a), but is eligible to register to vote by any other means described in this part.

(3) The Driver License Division shall:

(a) assist an individual in completing the voter registration form unless the individual refuses assistance;

(b) electronically transmit each address change to the lieutenant governor within five days after the day on which the division receives the address change; and

(c) within five days after the day on which the division receives a voter registration form, electronically transmit the form to the Office of the Lieutenant Governor, including the following for the individual named on the form:

(i) the name, date of birth, driver license or state identification card number, last four digits of the social security number, Utah residential address, place of birth, and signature;

(ii) a mailing address, if different from the individual's Utah residential address;

(iii) an email address and phone number, if available;

(iv) the desired political affiliation, if indicated;

(v) an indication of whether the individual requested that the individual's voter registration record be classified as a private record under Subsection **20A-2-108(2)(b)**; and

(vi) a withholding request form described in Subsections **20A-2-104(7)** and (8) and any

90 verification submitted with the form.

91 (4) Upon receipt of an individual's voter registration form from the Driver License
92 Division under Subsection (3), the lieutenant governor shall:

93 (a) enter the information into the statewide voter registration database; and

94 (b) if the individual requests on the individual's voter registration form that the
95 individual's voter registration record be classified as a private record or the individual submits a
96 withholding request form described in Subsections 20A-2-104(7) and (8) and any required
97 verification, classify the individual's voter registration record as a private record.

98 (5) The county clerk of an individual whose information is entered into the statewide
99 voter registration database under Subsection (4) shall:

100 (a) ensure that the individual meets the qualifications to be registered or preregistered
101 to vote; and

102 (b) (i) if the individual meets the qualifications to be registered to vote:

103 (A) ensure that the individual is assigned to the proper voting precinct; and

104 (B) send the individual the notice described in Section 20A-2-304; or

105 (ii) if the individual meets the qualifications to be preregistered to vote, process the
106 form in accordance with the requirements of Section 20A-2-101.1.

107 (6) (a) When the county clerk receives a correctly completed voter registration form
108 under this section, the clerk shall:

109 (i) comply with the applicable provisions of this Subsection (6); or

110 (ii) if the individual is preregistering to vote, comply with Section 20A-2-101.1.

111 (b) If the county clerk receives a correctly completed voter registration form under this
112 section no later than 5 p.m. or, if submitting the form electronically, midnight, 11 calendar days
113 before the date of an election, the county clerk shall:

114 (i) accept the voter registration form; and

115 (ii) unless the individual is preregistering to vote:

116 (A) enter the individual's name on the list of registered voters for the voting precinct in
117 which the individual resides; and

118 (B) notify the individual that the individual is registered to vote in the upcoming
119 election; and

120 (iii) if the individual named in the form is preregistering to vote, comply with Section

121 [20A-2-101.1](#).

122 (c) If the county clerk receives a correctly completed voter registration form under this
123 section after the deadline described in Subsection (6)(b), the county clerk shall, unless the
124 individual named in the form is preregistering to vote:

125 (i) accept the application for registration of the individual;

126 (ii) process the voter registration form; and

127 (iii) unless the individual is preregistering to vote, and except as provided in

128 Subsection [20A-2-207\(6\)](#), inform the individual that the individual will not be registered to
129 vote in the pending election, unless the individual registers to vote by provisional ballot during
130 the early voting period, if applicable, or on election day, in accordance with Section

131 [20A-2-207](#).

132 (7) (a) If the county clerk determines that an individual's voter registration form
133 received from the Driver License Division is incorrect because of an error, because the form is
134 incomplete, or because the individual does not meet the qualifications to be registered to vote,
135 the county clerk shall mail notice to the individual stating that the individual has not been
136 registered or preregistered because of an error, because the registration form is incomplete, or
137 because the individual does not meet the qualifications to be registered to vote.

138 (b) If a county clerk believes, based upon a review of a voter registration form, that an
139 individual, who knows that the individual is not legally entitled to register or preregister to
140 vote, may be intentionally seeking to register or preregister to vote, the county clerk shall refer
141 the form to the county attorney for investigation and possible prosecution.

142 Section 2. Section **77-38-601** is enacted to read:

143 **Part 6. Address Confidentiality Program**

144 **77-38-601. Definitions.**

145 As used in this part:

146 (1) "Abuse" means any of the following:

147 (a) "abuse" as that term is defined in Section [76-5-111](#) or [80-1-102](#); or

148 (b) "child abuse" as that term is defined in Section [76-5-109](#).

149 (2) "Actual address" means the residential street address of the program participant that
150 is stated in a program participant's application for enrollment or on a notice of a change of
151 address under Section [77-38-610](#).

152 (3) "Assailant" means an individual who commits or threatens to commit abuse, human
153 trafficking, domestic violence, stalking, or a sexual offense against an applicant for the
154 program or a minor or incapacitated individual residing with an applicant for the program.

155 (4) "Assigned address" means an address designated by the commission and assigned
156 to a program participant.

157 (5) "Authorization card" means a card issued by the commission that identifies a
158 program participant as enrolled in the program with the program participant's assigned address
159 and the date on which the program participant will no longer be enrolled in the program.

160 (6) "Commission" means the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice
161 created in Section [63M-7-201](#).

162 (7) "Domestic violence" means the same as that term is defined in Section [77-36-1](#).

163 (8) "Human trafficking" means a human trafficking offense under Section [76-5-308](#).

164 (9) "Incapacitated individual" means an individual who is incapacitated, as defined in
165 Section [75-1-201](#).

166 (10) (a) "Mail" means first class letters or flats delivered by the United States Postal
167 Service, including priority, express, and certified mail.

168 (b) "Mail" does not include a package, parcel, periodical, or catalogue, unless the
169 package, parcel, periodical, or catalogue is clearly identifiable as:

170 (i) being sent by a federal, state, or local agency or another government entity; or

171 (ii) a pharmaceutical or medical item.

172 (11) "Minor" means an individual who is younger than 18 years old.

173 (12) "Notification form" means a form issued by the commission that a program
174 participant may send to a person demonstrating that the program participant is enrolled in the
175 program.

176 (13) "Program" means the Address Confidentiality Program created in Section
177 [77-38-602](#).

178 (14) "Program assistant" means an individual designated by the commission under
179 Section [77-38-604](#) to assist an applicant or program participant.

180 (15) "Program participant" means an individual who is enrolled under Section
181 [77-38-606](#) by the commission to participate in the program.

182 (16) "Record" means the same as that term is defined in Section [63G-2-103](#).

183 (17) "Sexual offense" means:

184 (a) a sexual offense under Title 76, Chapter 5, Part 4, Sexual Offenses; or

185 (b) a sexual exploitation offense under Title 76, Chapter 5b, Part 2, Sexual

186 Exploitation.

187 (18) "Stalking" means the same as that term is defined in Section [76-5-106.5](#).

188 (19) "State or local government entity" means a county, municipality, higher education

189 institution, local district, special service district, or any other political subdivision of the state

190 or an administrative subunit of the executive, legislative, or judicial branch of this state,

191 including:

192 (a) a law enforcement entity or any other investigative entity, agency, department,

193 division, bureau, board, or commission; or

194 (b) an individual acting or purporting to act for or on behalf of a state or local entity,

195 including an elected or appointed public official.

196 (20) "Victim" means a victim of abuse, domestic violence, human trafficking, stalking,

197 or sexual assault.

198 Section 3. Section **77-38-602** is enacted to read:

199 **77-38-602. Creation -- Office responsibilities.**

200 (1) There is created the Address Confidentiality Program within the commission.

201 (2) Under the program, the commission shall:

202 (a) designate, train, and manage program assistants;

203 (b) develop, distribute, and process application forms and related materials for the

204 program;

205 (c) designate an assigned address for a program participant to be used by the program

206 participant and a state or local government entity;

207 (d) receive mail sent to a program participant's assigned address, forward the mail to

208 the program participant's actual address at the commission's expense, and track and maintain

209 records for all mail received; and

210 (e) arrange for the program participant at the program participant's expense to receive

211 items other than mail if requested by the program participant and agreed to by the commission.

212 Section 4. Section **77-38-603** is enacted to read:

213 **77-38-603. Eligibility.**

214 (1) An applicant is eligible to participate in the program if the applicant attests that the
215 applicant:

216 (a) is a resident of this state;

217 (b) (i) is a victim;

218 (ii) is a parent or a guardian of an individual who:

219 (A) is a victim; and

220 (B) resides at the same address as the parent or guardian;

221 (iii) resides at the same address where a victim resides; or

222 (iv) fears for the applicant's physical safety, or for the physical safety of a minor or
223 incapacitated individual residing at the same address as the applicant, from a threat of abuse,
224 domestic violence, human trafficking, stalking, or sexual assault;

225 (c) (i) resided at a residential address that was known by an assailant and relocated
226 within the past 90 days to a different residential address that is not known by the assailant;

227 (ii) resides at a residential address known by the assailant and intends to relocate within
228 90 days to a different residential address in the state that is not known by the assailant; or

229 (iii) resides at a residential address that is not known by the assailant;

230 (d) will not disclose the different residential address to the assailant; and

231 (e) will benefit from participation in the program.

232 (2) An applicant may participate in the program regardless of whether:

233 (a) a criminal charge is filed against an assailant;

234 (b) the applicant has a restraining order or injunction against an assailant; or

235 (c) the applicant reported an act or threat by an assailant to a law enforcement agency
236 or officer.

237 (3) An applicant may participate in the program only upon the recommendation of a
238 program assistant.

239 (4) To participate in the program:

240 (a) an applicant shall sign, date, and verify the information on an application; and

241 (b) the commission shall verify the applicant's current residential address as provided
242 on the application.

243 (5) A parent or guardian may act on behalf of a minor or an incapacitated individual in
244 determining whether the minor or the incapacitated individual is eligible for the program.

245 Section 5. Section **77-38-604** is enacted to read:

246 **77-38-604. Designation of program assistants.**

247 (1) The commission may designate as a program assistant, an individual that:

248 (a) (i) is an employee of the commission or a state or local government entity; or

249 (ii) is a volunteer for an organization that provides counseling, assistance, or support
250 services at no charge to victims; and

251 (b) (i) provides counseling, referrals, or other services to victims; and

252 (ii) completes any training or registration process required by the commission.

253 (2) A program assistant shall:

254 (a) assist an applicant in preparing an application for the program; and

255 (b) sign, date, and verify an application for the program.

256 (3) A signature of a program assistant is a recommendation by the program assistant
257 that the applicant is eligible to participate in the program under Section [77-38-603](#).

258 Section 6. Section **77-38-605** is enacted to read:

259 **77-38-605. Administration -- Application.**

260 (1) The commission shall provide an application form to an applicant who seeks to
261 participate in the program under this chapter.

262 (2) The commission may not charge an applicant or program participant for an
263 application or participation fee to apply for, or participate in, the program.

264 (3) The application shall include:

265 (a) the applicant's name;

266 (b) a mailing address, a phone number, and an email address where the applicant may
267 be contacted by the commission;

268 (c) an indication regarding whether the assailant is employed by a state or local
269 government entity, and if applicable, the name of the state or local government entity;

270 (d) a statement that the applicant understands and consents to:

271 (i) remain enrolled in the program for four years, unless the applicant's participation in
272 the program is cancelled under Section [77-38-617](#);

273 (ii) while the applicant is enrolled in the program, notify the commission when the
274 applicant changes the applicant's actual address or legal name;

275 (iii) develop a safety plan with a program assistant;

- 276 (iv) authorize the commission to notify a state or local government entity that the
277 applicant is a program participant;
- 278 (v) submit written notice to the commission if the applicant chooses to cancel the
279 applicant's participation in the program;
- 280 (vi) register to vote in person at the office of the clerk in the county where the
281 applicant's actual address is located; and
- 282 (vii) certify that the commission is the applicant's designated agent for service of
283 process for personal service;
- 284 (e) evidence that the applicant, or a minor or an incapacitated individual residing with
285 the applicant, is a victim, including:
- 286 (i) a law enforcement, court, or other state, local, or federal government agency record;
287 or
- 288 (ii) a document from:
- 289 (A) a domestic violence program, facility, or shelter;
- 290 (B) a sexual assault program; or
- 291 (C) a religious, medical, or other professional from whom the applicant, or the minor
292 or the incapacitated individual residing with the applicant, sought assistance in dealing with
293 alleged abuse, domestic violence, stalking, or a sexual offense;
- 294 (f) a statement from the applicant that a disclosure of the applicant's actual address
295 would endanger the applicant, or a minor or an incapacitated individual residing with the
296 applicant;
- 297 (g) a statement by the applicant that the applicant:
- 298 (i) resides at a residential address that is not known by the assailant;
- 299 (ii) has relocated to a different residential address in the past 90 days that is not known
300 by the assailant; or
- 301 (iii) will relocate to a different residential address in the state within 90 days that is not
302 known by the assailant;
- 303 (h) the actual address that:
- 304 (i) the applicant requests that the commission not disclose; and
- 305 (ii) is at risk of discovery by the assailant or potential assailant;
- 306 (i) a statement by the applicant disclosing:

307 (i) the existence of a court order or action involving the applicant, or a minor or an
308 incapacitated individual residing with the applicant, related to a divorce proceeding, a child
309 support order or judgment, or the allocation of custody or parent-time; and

310 (ii) the court that issued the order or has jurisdiction over the action;

311 (j) the name of any other individual who resides with the applicant who needs to be a
312 program participant to ensure the safety of the applicant, or a minor or an incapacitated
313 individual residing with the applicant;

314 (k) a statement by the applicant that:

315 (i) the applicant, or a minor or an incapacitated individual residing at the same address
316 as the applicant, will benefit from participation in the program;

317 (ii) if the applicant intends to vote, the applicant will register to vote at the office of the
318 clerk in the county in which the applicant actually resides;

319 (iii) the applicant does not have a current obligation to register as a sex offender or a
320 kidnap offender under Title 77, Chapter 41, Sex and Kidnap Offender Registry; and

321 (iv) the applicant does not have a current obligation to register as a child abuse
322 offender under Title 77, Chapter 43, Child Abuse Offender Registry;

323 (l) a statement by the applicant, under penalty of perjury, that the information
324 contained in the application is true; and

325 (m) a statement that any assistance or counseling provided by a program assistant as
326 part of the program does not constitute legal advice or legal services to the applicant.

327 Section 7. Section **77-38-606** is enacted to read:

328 **77-38-606. Enrollment of a program participant.**

329 (1) (a) Within five business days after the day on which the commission grants
330 enrollment to a program participant, the commission shall issue the program participant:

331 (i) an assigned address;

332 (ii) an authorization card; and

333 (iii) a notification form.

334 (b) An authorization card is valid while the program participant is enrolled in the
335 program.

336 (2) A program participant is enrolled in the program for four years beginning on the
337 day on which the enrollment is granted, unless the enrollment is withdrawn, or is cancelled

338 under Section 77-38-617, before the end of the four-year period.

339 (3) A program participant may withdraw from the program by filing a request for
340 withdrawal with the commission that is acknowledged before a notary public.

341 (4) (a) A program participant may renew enrollment by filing a renewal application
342 with the commission at least 30 days before the day on which enrollment in the program will
343 expire.

344 (b) The applicant shall date, sign, and verify the renewal application.

345 (c) The renewal application shall contain:

346 (i) all statements or information required by Subsection 77-38-605(3) that have
347 changed from the original application or a prior renewal application;

348 (ii) a statement by the applicant that the applicant, or a minor or an incapacitated
349 individual residing at the same address as the applicant, will continue to benefit from
350 participation in the program; and

351 (iii) a statement by the applicant, under penalty of perjury, that the information
352 contained in the renewal application is true.

353 Section 8. Section 77-38-607 is enacted to read:

354 **77-38-607. Use of assigned address -- Release of information.**

355 (1) The commission shall forward all mail that the office receives at the assigned
356 address for a program participant to the program participant's actual address.

357 (2) The commission shall provide, at the request of a program participant or a state or
358 local government entity, confirmation of an individual's status as a program participant.

359 (3) Except as provided in Sections 77-38-611, 77-38-612, and 77-38-613, the office
360 may not disclose a program participant's actual address to any person.

361 Section 9. Section 77-38-608 is enacted to read:

362 **77-38-608. Use of assigned address -- Confidentiality.**

363 (1) A program participant may use the assigned address provided to the program
364 participant to receive mail as provided in Subsection 77-38-602(2).

365 (2) (a) A state or local government entity may not refuse to use a program participant's
366 assigned address for any official business, unless, in accordance with statutory requirements,
367 the state or local government entity is required to use the program participant's actual address.

368 (b) A state or local government entity may confirm an individual's status as a program

369 participant with the commission.

370 (3) A state or local government entity, after receiving a copy of the notification form
371 from a program participant or a notification of the program participant's enrollment from the
372 commission, may not:

373 (a) except as provided in Subsection (2)(a), refuse to use the assigned address for the
374 program participant, or a minor or an incapacitated individual residing with the program
375 participant;

376 (b) except as provided in Subsection (4), require a program participant to disclose the
377 program participant's actual address; or

378 (c) except as provided in Section [77-38-609](#), intentionally disclose to another person or
379 state or government entity the program participant's actual address.

380 (4) Notwithstanding Subsections (2) and (3), a county clerk may require a program
381 participant to disclose the program participant's actual address:

382 (a) for voter registration; and

383 (b) to enroll a program participant in a program designed to protect the confidentiality
384 of a voter's address.

385 (5) If a program participant is enrolled in a program designed to protect the
386 confidentiality of a voter's address, a county clerk:

387 (a) shall classify the program participant's actual address as withheld under Subsection
388 [20A-2-104\(7\)](#); and

389 (b) may not disclose the program participant's actual address.

390 Section 10. Section **77-38-609** is enacted to read:

391 **77-38-609. Disclosure of actual address prohibited.**

392 (1) (a) The commission may not disclose a program participant's actual address, unless:

393 (i) required by a court order; or

394 (ii) the commission grants a request from a state or local government entity under
395 Section [77-38-612](#).

396 (b) The commission shall provide a program participant immediate notification of a
397 disclosure of the program participant's actual address if the disclosure is made under
398 Subsection (1)(a)(i) or (ii).

399 (2) If, at the time of application, an applicant, or a parent or guardian of an applicant, is

400 subject to a court order relating to a divorce proceeding, a child support order or judgment, or
401 an allocation of custody or parent-time, the commission shall provide notice of whether the
402 applicant is enrolled under the program and the assigned address of the applicant to the court
403 that issued the order or has jurisdiction over the action.

404 (3) A person may not knowingly or intentionally obtain a program participant's actual
405 address from the commission or any state or local government entity if the person is not
406 authorized to obtain the program participant's actual address.

407 (4) Unless the disclosure is permitted under this chapter or is otherwise permitted by
408 law, an employee of the commission or a state or local government entity may not knowingly
409 or intentionally disclose a program participant's actual address if:

410 (a) the employee obtains a program participant's actual address during the course of the
411 employee's official duties; and

412 (b) at the time of disclosure, the employee has specific knowledge that the address is
413 the actual address of the program participant.

414 (5) A person who intentionally or knowingly obtains or discloses information in
415 violation of this chapter is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

416 Section 11. Section **77-38-610** is enacted to read:

417 **77-38-610. Change of name, address, or telephone number.**

418 (1) A program participant shall notify the commission no later than 30 days after the
419 day on which the program participant obtains a legal name change, by providing the
420 commission with a certified copy of a judgment or order establishing the name change, or any
421 other documentation that is sufficient evidence of the name change.

422 (2) A program participant shall notify the commission no later than 10 business days
423 after the day on which the program participant's actual address or telephone number changes
424 from the actual address or telephone number listed for the program participant.

425 (3) If a program participant remains enrolled in the program after a change of address,
426 the program participant may not change the program participant's assigned address with the
427 Driver License Division created under Section [53-3-103](#).

428 Section 12. Section **77-38-611** is enacted to read:

429 **77-38-611. Address use by state or local government entities.**

430 (1) A program participant is responsible for requesting that a state or local government

431 entity use the program participant's assigned address as the program participant's residential
432 address.

433 (2) Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, if a program participant submits a
434 valid authorization card, or a notification form, to a state or local government entity, the state
435 or local government entity shall accept the assigned address listed on the authorization card or
436 notification form as the program participant's address to be used as the program participant's
437 residential address when creating a record.

438 (3) The program participant's assigned address shall be listed as the last known address
439 if any last known address requirement is needed by the state or local government entity.

440 (4) The state or local government entity may photocopy a program participant's
441 authorization card for a record for the state or local government entity, but the state or local
442 government entity shall immediately return the authorization card to the program participant.

443 (5) (a) An election official, as defined in Section [20A-1-102](#), shall:

444 (i) use a program participant's actual address for precinct designation and all official
445 election-related purposes;

446 (ii) classify the program participant's actual address as withheld; and

447 (iii) keep the program participant's actual address confidential from the public.

448 (b) A program participant may not use the program participant's assigned address for
449 voter registration.

450 (c) An election official shall use the assigned address for all correspondence and mail
451 for the program participant placed in the United States mail.

452 (d) A state or local government entity's access to a program participant's voter
453 registration is subject to the request for disclosure process under Section [77-38-612](#).

454 (e) This Subsection (5) applies only to a program participant who submits a valid
455 authorization card or a notification form when registering to vote.

456 (6) (a) A state or local government entity may not use a program participant's assigned
457 address for the purposes of listing, or appraising a property, or assessing property taxes.

458 (b) All property assessments and tax notices, property tax collection notices, and all
459 property related correspondence placed in the United States mail for the program participant
460 shall be addressed to the assigned address.

461 (7) (a) A state or government entity may not use a program participant's assigned

462 address for purposes of assessing any taxes or fees on a motor vehicle or for titling or
463 registering a motor vehicle.

464 (b) All vehicle assessments and tax notices, vehicle or title registration notices, and all
465 vehicle related correspondence placed in the United States mail for the program participant is
466 required to be addressed to the assigned address.

467 (8) (a) The Department of Corrections, or any other entity responsible for supervising a
468 program participant who is on probation or parole as a result of a criminal conviction or an
469 adjudication, may not use the program participant's assigned address if the program
470 participant's actual address is necessary for supervising the program participant.

471 (b) All written communication delivered through the United States mail to the program
472 participant by the Department of Corrections, or the other entity described in Subsection (8)(a),
473 shall be addressed to the program participant's assigned address.

474 (9) If a program participant is required by law to swear or affirm to the program
475 participant's address, the program participant may use the program participant's assigned
476 address.

477 (10) (a) A school district shall:

478 (i) accept the assigned address as the address of record; and

479 (ii) verify student enrollment eligibility with the commission.

480 (b) The commission shall help facilitate the transfer of student records as needed.

481 (11) (a) Notwithstanding Title 63G, Chapter 2, Government Records Access and
482 Management Act, a record containing a program participant's address is confidential and,
483 regardless of the record's classification under Title 63G, Chapter 2, Part 3, Classification, may
484 not be disclosed by a state or government entity, unless otherwise provided under this chapter.

485 (b) A program participant's actual address may not be disclosed to a third party by a
486 state or local government entity, except:

487 (i) in a record created more than 90 days before the date on which the program
488 participant applied for enrollment in the program; or

489 (ii) if a program participant voluntarily requests, in writing, that the program
490 participant's actual address be disclosed to the third party.

491 (c) For a record created within 90 days before the date that a program participant
492 applied for enrollment in the program, a state or local government entity shall redact the actual

493 address from the record or change the actual address to the assigned address in the public
494 record if the program participant presents a valid authorization card or a notification form and
495 requests that the state or local government entity use the assigned address instead of the actual
496 address on the record.

497 Section 13. Section **77-38-612** is enacted to read:

498 **77-38-612. Request for disclosure.**

499 (1) A state or local government entity requesting disclosure of a program participant's
500 actual address in accordance with this section shall make the request:

501 (a) in writing;

502 (b) on the state or local government entity's letterhead; and

503 (c) with the signature of the head or an executive-level official of the state or local
504 government entity.

505 (2) In accordance with Subsection (1), a state or local government entity requesting
506 disclosure of a program participant's actual address shall provide the commission with the
507 name of the program participant and a statement:

508 (a) explaining why the state or local government entity is requesting the program
509 participant's actual address;

510 (b) explaining why the state or local government entity cannot meet the state or local
511 government entity's statutory or administrative obligations without the disclosure of the
512 program participant's actual address;

513 (c) of facts showing that:

514 (i) other methods to locate the program participant's actual address have failed;

515 (ii) other methods will be unlikely to succeed; or

516 (iii) other means of contacting the program participant have failed or are unavailable;

517 and

518 (d) that the state or local government entity has adopted a procedure to protect the
519 confidentiality of the program participant's actual address.

520 (3) In response to a request for disclosure under Subsection (2), the commission may
521 request additional information from the state or local government entity to help identify the
522 program participant in the records of the office or to assess whether disclosure to the state or
523 local government entity is permitted under this chapter.

524 (4) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(b), after receiving a request for disclosure
525 from a state or local government entity under Subsection (1), the commission shall provide a
526 program participant with written notification:

527 (i) informing the participant of the request, and to the extent possible, of an opportunity
528 to be heard regarding the request; and

529 (ii) after a decision is made by the commission, whether the request has been granted
530 or denied.

531 (b) The commission is not required to provide notice of a request for disclosure to a
532 program participant under Subsection (4)(a) when:

533 (i) the request is made by a state or local law enforcement agency conducting a
534 criminal investigation involving alleged criminal conduct by the program participant; or

535 (ii) providing notice to the program participant would jeopardize an ongoing criminal
536 investigation or the safety of law enforcement personnel.

537 (5) The commission shall grant a state or local government entity's request for
538 disclosure and disclose the program participant's actual address if:

539 (a) the state or local government entity has demonstrated a good faith statutory or
540 administrative need for the actual address;

541 (b) the actual address will be used only for the purpose stated in the request;

542 (c) other methods to locate the program participant or the program participant's actual
543 address have failed or are unlikely to succeed;

544 (d) other means of contacting the program participant have failed or are unavailable;
545 and

546 (e) the state or local government entity has adopted a procedure to protect the
547 confidentiality of the program participant's actual address.

548 (6) If the commission grants a request for disclosure under this section, the commission
549 shall provide the state or local government entity with a disclosure that contains:

550 (a) the program participant's actual address;

551 (b) a statement of the permitted use of the program participant's actual address;

552 (c) the names or classes of persons permitted to have access to or use of the program
553 participant's actual address;

554 (d) a statement that the state or local government entity is required to limit access to

555 and use of the program participant's actual address to the permitted use and to the listed persons
556 or classes of persons; and

557 (e) if expiration of the disclosure is appropriate, the date on which the permitted use of
558 the program participant's actual address expires.

559 (7) If a request for disclosure is granted by the commission, a state or local government
560 entity shall:

561 (a) limit use of the program participant's actual address to the purpose stated in the
562 disclosure;

563 (b) limit access to the program participant's actual address to the persons or classes of
564 persons stated in the disclosure;

565 (c) cease use of the program participant's actual address upon the expiration of the
566 permitted use;

567 (d) dispose of the program participant's actual address upon the expiration of the
568 permitted use; and

569 (e) except as permitted in the request for disclosure, maintain the confidentiality of the
570 program participant's actual address.

571 (8) Upon denial of a state or local government entity's request for disclosure, the
572 commission shall promptly provide a written notification to the state or local government entity
573 explaining the specific reasons for denying the request for disclosure.

574 (9) (a) A state or local government entity may file a written appeal with the
575 commission no later than 15 days after the day on which the state or local government entity
576 receives the written notification under Subsection (8).

577 (b) A state or local government entity filing a written appeal under Subsection (9)(a)
578 shall:

579 (i) restate the information contained in the request for disclosure; and

580 (ii) respond to the commission's reason for denying the request for disclosure.

581 (c) The commission shall make a final determination on the appeal within 30 days after
582 the day on which the appeal is received by the commission, unless the state or local
583 government entity and the office agree to a different deadline.

584 (d) Before the commission makes a final determination, the commission may conduct a
585 hearing or request additional information from the state or local government entity or the

586 program participant.

587 Section 14. Section **77-38-613** is enacted to read:

588 **77-38-613. Request for disclosure by law enforcement.**

589 (1) The commission shall establish a process to expedite a request submitted by a law
590 enforcement officer or agency for the disclosure of information regarding a program participant
591 who is involved in a criminal proceeding or investigation within 24 hours of the law
592 enforcement officer or agency submitting the request.

593 (2) If a law enforcement officer or agency seeks the disclosure of a program
594 participant's actual address from the commission under Subsection (1), the law enforcement
595 officer or agency shall certify to the commission, or the commission's designee, that the official
596 or agency has a system in place to protect the program participant's actual address from
597 disclosure to:

598 (a) the public; and

599 (b) law enforcement personnel who are not involved in the criminal proceeding or
600 investigation for which the disclosure is requested.

601 (3) Upon expiration of the use for the program participant's actual address in a criminal
602 proceeding or investigation, a law enforcement officer or agency shall remove the program
603 participant's actual address from any record system maintained by the law enforcement officer
604 or agency.

605 Section 15. Section **77-38-614** is enacted to read:

606 **77-38-614. Service of process at the assigned address.**

607 (1) In accordance with the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 4, the commission is
608 the agent authorized to receive process for a program participant.

609 (2) In accordance with the Utah Rules of Civil Procedure, Rule 5, the last known
610 address for a program participant is the program participant's assigned address, not the program
611 participant's actual address.

612 Section 16. Section **77-38-615** is enacted to read:

613 **77-38-615. Participation in the program -- Orders in relation to allocation of**
614 **custody or parent-time.**

615 (1) A court may not consider a parent's participation in the program for the purpose of
616 making an order allocating custody under Section [30-3-10](#) or parent-time under Section

617 30-3-32.

618 (2) A court shall take practical measures to keep a program participant's actual address
619 confidential when making an order allocating custody or parent-time.

620 (3) Nothing in this chapter affects an order relating to the allocation of custody or
621 parent-time in effect prior to or during a program participant's participation in the program.

622 Section 17. Section **77-38-616** is enacted to read:

623 **77-38-616. Disclosure of address or identifiable information in a judicial or**
624 **administrative proceeding.**

625 (1) A program participant may submit the program participant's actual address to the
626 court as a safeguarded record in accordance with the Utah Code of Judicial Administration,
627 Rule 4-202.02.

628 (2) A person may not compel disclosure of a program participant's actual address or
629 identifying information related to the program participant's residence during a proceeding in a
630 court or administrative proceeding, unless:

631 (a) the court orders the disclosure of the program participant's address; or

632 (b) an administrative tribunal finds, based on a preponderance of the evidence, that:

633 (i) the disclosure is required in the interest of justice;

634 (ii) public interest in the disclosure substantially outweighs the potential harm to the
635 program participant; or

636 (iii) no other alternative would satisfy the necessity of the disclosure.

637 (3) If disclosure of a program participant's actual address is required in a proceeding
638 before a court or administrative tribunal, the court or administrative tribunal may seal the
639 portion of a record that contains the program participant's actual address.

640 (4) Nothing in this section prevents a state or local government entity from using a
641 program participant's actual address in filing a document or record with a court or
642 administrative tribunal if, at the time of the filing, the document or record is filed under seal or
643 not a public record.

644 Section 18. Section **77-38-617** is enacted to read:

645 **77-38-617. Cancellation of enrollment -- Records.**

646 (1) The commission shall cancel a program participant's enrollment in the program if:

647 (a) the program participant submits to the commission a written request to withdraw

648 from enrollment in accordance with Section 77-38-606;

649 (b) the program participant fails to notify the commission of a change in the program
650 participant's name, actual address, or telephone number that is listed on the application;

651 (c) the program participant, or a parent or guardian of the program participant,
652 knowingly submits false information in the program application; or

653 (d) mail forwarded to the program participant by the commission is returned as
654 undeliverable.

655 (2) (a) If the commission determines that there are grounds for cancelling a program
656 participant's enrollment in accordance with Subsection (1), the commission shall send notice of
657 the cancellation with the reason for cancellation to the program participant at the program
658 participant's actual address and email address.

659 (b) A program participant has 30 days to appeal the cancellation decision in accordance
660 with procedures developed by the commission.

661 (3) A program participant who receives a notice of cancellation is responsible for
662 notifying a person who uses the program participant's assigned address to communicate with
663 the program participant that the assigned address is no longer valid.

664 (4) If the commission cancels a program participant's enrollment in the program, the
665 program participant is not eligible to participate in the program for six months after the day on
666 which the commission cancels the program participant's enrollment in the program.

667 Section 19. Section **77-38-618** is enacted to read:

668 **77-38-618. Retention and destruction of records.**

669 The commission shall establish policies and procedures regarding the maintenance and
670 destruction of applications, records, and other documents received or generated under this
671 chapter.

672 Section 20. Section **77-38-619** is enacted to read:

673 **77-38-619. Immunity from suit.**

674 (1) A program assistant, or a program assistant's employer, is immune from liability in
675 a civil action or proceeding involving the performance or nonperformance of a duty under the
676 this chapter, unless:

677 (a) the performance or nonperformance of a program assistant was manifestly outside
678 the scope of the program assistant's duties in the program; or

679 (b) the program assistant acted with malicious purpose, bad faith, or in a wanton or
680 reckless manner.

681 (2) In addition to the governmental immunity granted in Title 63G, Chapter 7,
682 Governmental Immunity Act of Utah, or any other governmental immunity provided by law,
683 the commission, the state, and the political subdivisions of the state are immune from liability
684 in a civil action or proceeding involving the performance or nonperformance of a duty under
685 the program.

686 Section 21. Section **77-38-620** is enacted to read:

687 **77-38-620. Address Confidentiality Program Restricted Account -- Report.**

688 (1) There is created a restricted account in the General Fund known as the "Address
689 Confidentiality Program Restricted Account."

690 (2) The account shall be funded by:

691 (a) private contributions;

692 (b) gifts, donations, or grants from public or private entities; and

693 (c) interest and earnings on account money.

694 (3) Upon appropriation by the Legislature, the commission may expend funds from the
695 account to:

696 (a) designate, train, and manage program assistants;

697 (b) develop, distribute, and process application forms and related materials for the
698 program;

699 (c) assist applicants and program participants in enrolling in the program; or

700 (d) ensure program participants receive mail forwarded from the program to the
701 program participant's actual address.

702 (4) No later than December 31 of each year, the commission shall provide to the
703 Executive Offices and Criminal Justice Appropriations Subcommittee a written report of the
704 program's activities, including:

705 (a) the contributions received under Subsection (2);

706 (b) an accounting of the money expended or committed to be expended by the
707 commission under Subsection (3); and

708 (c) the balance of the account.

709 Section 22. Section **77-38-621** is enacted to read:

710 77-38-621. Rulemaking.

711 In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, the
712 commission may make rules to:

713 (1) establish a process to expedite requests from law enforcement officers and agencies
714 in accordance with Section [77-38-613](#);

715 (2) establish procedures for an appeal process regarding cancellation of enrollment
716 under Section [77-38-617](#); and

717 (3) establish the procedures for the retention and destruction of records and other
718 documents in accordance with Section [77-38-618](#).