

**MISSING CHILD IDENTIFICATION PROGRAM**

2022 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Kirk A. Cullimore**

House Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill creates the Missing Child Identification Program to be administered by the attorney general.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

▶ creates the Missing Child Identification Program to be administered by the attorney general to provide a fingerprint and DNA collection kit to a parent or legal guardian of a child entering kindergarten.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

This bill appropriates in fiscal year 2023:

- ▶ to the Attorney General -- Attorney General -- Administration, as an ongoing appropriation:
  - from the General Fund, \$87,000.

**Other Special Clauses:**

This bill provides a special effective date.

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:

**67-5-38**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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



28 Section 1. Section **67-5-38** is enacted to read:

29 **67-5-38. Missing Child Identification Program.**

30 (1) As used in this section:

31 (a) "Kit" means a fingerprint and DNA identification kit that may be used to collect  
32 and store fingerprint and DNA information.

33 (b) "Program" means the Missing Child Identification Program created in this section.

34 (2) (a) There is created the Missing Child Identification Program to be administered by  
35 the attorney general as described in this section.

36 (b) The purpose of the program is to provide a kit to a parent or legal guardian of a  
37 kindergarten student, to be distributed by the student's elementary school, which the parent or  
38 guardian may use to collect and store a child's fingerprint and DNA information for potential  
39 use by law enforcement in the event that the child is missing.

40 (c) If the Legislature does not appropriate funds specifically for the program, the  
41 attorney general may implement the program using other available appropriations.

42 (3) (a) The attorney general shall provide kits to each Utah elementary school to be  
43 distributed to the parent or legal guardian of each student entering kindergarten in the  
44 elementary school.

45 (b) The attorney general shall obtain the kits in compliance with Title 63G, Chapter 6a,  
46 Utah Procurement Code.

47 (c) The kits described in Subsection (3)(a) may be delivered to an elementary school  
48 directly through the supplier of the kits.

49 (d) The State Board of Education, or the State Board of Education's designee, shall  
50 coordinate with the attorney general to determine how many kits are needed each year at each  
51 elementary school.

52 (e) An elementary school that receives a supply of kits shall offer a kit to a parent or  
53 legal guardian for a student entering kindergarten at the elementary school.

54 (4) The attorney general may make rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah  
55 Administrative Rulemaking Act, to carry out the program.

56 Section 2. **Appropriation.**

57 The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
58 2022, and ending June 30, 2023. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for

59 fiscal year 2023. Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures  
60 Act, the Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts  
61 indicated for the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.

62 ITEM 1

63 To Attorney General -- Attorney General

64 From General Fund \$87,000

65 Schedule of Programs:

66 Administration \$87,000

67 The Legislature intends that:

68 (1) appropriations provided under this item be used for the Missing Child Identification

69 Program created in Section [67-5-38](#); and

70 (2) under Section [63J-1-603](#), appropriations provided under this section not lapse at the

71 close of the fiscal year 2023 and the use of any nonlapsing funds is limited to the purpose

72 described in Subsection (1).

73 **Section 3. Effective date.**

74 This bill takes effect on July 1, 2022.