

**CONCURRENT RESOLUTION CONCERNING THE SHUTDOWN  
OF UTAH'S POWER BY THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

2023 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Mike Schultz**

Senate Sponsor: Evan J. Vickers

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This resolution highlights the state's need to protect and defend against federal government regulations that jeopardize the state's right to an affordable, reliable, and ~~dispatchable~~ sustainable energy supply.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This resolution:

- ▶ highlights Utah's measured approach to energy policy and the harm of the federal government's rulemaking regarding ozone transfer.

**Special Clauses:**

None

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

WHEREAS, the state has employed to great success a measured, all-of-the-above energy policy that has powered decades of prosperity and provided some of the nation's most reliable ~~and affordable~~ dispatchable energy;

WHEREAS, in the face of population growth, changing technology, and security threats, the state needs to protect the reliability of our electric grid;

WHEREAS, the state has a history of applying common sense solutions to provide base-load power for the state, fuel the economy, and maintain a high quality of life for the



28 people in the state;

29 WHEREAS, because the current federal administration continues to assault the energy  
30 industry through regulatory rulemaking;

31 WHEREAS, a recent federal regulatory rule from the federal government on ozone  
32 transport will force the early closure of certain power plants located in the state;

33 WHEREAS, the closure of these certain power plants will put the state's supply of  
34 reliable, affordable, and dispatchable power at significant risk ~~within a few years~~ ;

35 WHEREAS, the state should fight for a responsible energy policy that embraces  
36 efficiency and is based in reality; and

37 WHEREAS, the state should stand in the way of the federal government's egregious  
38 power grab that harms the state's citizens:

39 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the  
40 Governor concurring therein, will push back on the federal regulatory overreach that threatens  
41 our ability to provide power to our state, fuel our economy and maintain a high quality of life  
42 for the people the state;

43 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Legislature and the Governor will support and  
44 defend our right, as a state's right, to an affordable, reliable, and ~~sustainable~~  
44a dispatchable energy supply from  
45 any harmful federal encroachment.