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~~{Representative Scott H. Chew}~~Senator Nate Blouin proposes the following substitute bill:

UTAH WATER WAYS

2023 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Calvin R. Musselman

Senate Sponsor: ~~{~~Scott D. Sandall

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill provides for the creation of a new nonprofit, statewide partnership addressing water.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ directs oversight of the creation of a partnership and the state's role in that partnership;
- ▶ outlines powers and duties of the partnership;
- ▶ addresses the selection of an executive director and board of directors;
- ▶ requires reporting; and
- ▶ addresses role of water supply entities.

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Money Appropriated in this Bill:

This bill appropriates in fiscal year 2024:

- ▶ to the Department of Natural Resources - Water Resources, as a one-time appropriation:
 - from the General Fund, One-time, \$2,000,000; and
- ▶ to the Department of Natural Resources - Water Resources, as an ongoing appropriation:
 - from the General Fund, \$1,000,000.

Other Special Clauses:

This bill provides a special effective date.

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

79-2-407, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **79-2-407** is enacted to read:

79-2-407. Utah Water Ways.

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Partnership" means the nonprofit, statewide partnership described in Subsections

(2) and (3).

(b) "Water supply entity" means an entity supplying either culinary or irrigation water to a water user.

(2) The department shall oversee:

(a) the creation of a nonprofit, statewide partnership in accordance with this section;

and

(b) the state's participation in the partnership.

(3) The partnership shall:

(a) be known as "Utah Water Ways";

(b) have as core purposes to:

(i) facilitate coordination of efforts to optimize the use of water by:

(A) sponsoring policy discussions about the state's water supply;

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(B) engaging the private sector to help support efforts to optimize the use of water and related activities;

(C) coordinating with the Department of Agriculture and Food and the Department of Environmental Quality on water related issues;

(D) maintaining communication among partners in the partnership;

(E) providing a line of communication from partners to state leaders; and

(F) promoting coordination of grants, rebate programs, or sponsorships that support the optimal use of water; and

(ii) encourage residents of the state to make changes to optimize the use of water and care for the state's water supply by:

(A) providing public education and public awareness campaigns and helping consolidate campaigns about the state's water supply, water quality, and water use; and

(B) providing residents of the state with tools to understand what can be done to optimize the use of water; and

(c) seek grants, gifts, donations, devises, and bequests.

(4) The board of directors for the partnership shall:

(a) consist of ~~13~~15 individuals as follows:

(i) the executive director of the department, or the executive director's designee;

(ii) the director of the Division of Water Resources, or the director's designee;

(iii) the executive director of the Department of Environmental Quality, or the executive director's designee;

(iv) the commissioner of the Department of Agriculture and Food, or the commissioner's designee;

(v) a representative of rural Utah selected jointly by the governor, the speaker of the House of Representatives, and the president of the Senate;

(vi) the general managers for four water conservancy districts selected jointly by the governor, the speaker of the House of Representatives, and the president of the Senate; ~~and~~

(vii) four members of the business community selected jointly by the governor, the speaker of the House of Representatives, and the president of the Senate;

(viii) one member from a public interest group, such as a nonprofit environmental advocate, selected jointly by the governor, the speaker of the House of Representatives, and the

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president of the Senate; and

(ix) one member representing Indian tribes selected jointly by the governor, the speaker of the House of Representatives, and the president of the Senate;

(b) hire an executive director by August 1, 2023, who shall serve for an initial term of four years; and

(c) adopt policies concerning the board of directors' internal organization and procedures.

(5) The partnership may, consistent with this section, receive a grant, gift, donation, devise, or bequest.

(6) The partnership shall annually report to the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee.

(7) Notwithstanding the creation of the partnership, a water supply entity may maintain an important role with water supply users to encourage the optimized use of water such as through localized messaging, rebate programs, or other activities.

Section 2. **Appropriation.**

The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2024. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for fiscal year 2024. Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures Act, the Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts indicated for the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.

ITEM 1

To Department of Natural Resources -- Water Resources

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| <u>From General Fund</u> | <u>1,000,000</u> |
| <u>From General Fund, One-time</u> | <u>2,000,000</u> |
| <u>Schedule of Programs:</u> | |
| <u> Planning</u> | <u>3,000,000</u> |

Section 3. **Effective date.**

This bill takes effect on July 1, 2023.