

RESOURCE STEWARDSHIP DIRECTOR

2023 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Paul Cutler

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE**General Description:**

This bill addresses a director of resource stewardship.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ provides for the appointment of a director of resource stewardship by the executive director of the Department of Environmental Quality;
- ▶ addresses duties of the director of resource stewardship;
- ▶ addresses discretion of state agencies; and
- ▶ repeals provision housing a coordinator in the Department of Government Operations.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

19-1-110, Utah Code Annotated 1953

REPEALS:

63A-1-116, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapter 187

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

Section 1. Section **19-1-110** is enacted to read:

19-1-110. Director of resource stewardship -- Appointment -- Duties -- Discretion of state agencies.

(1) The executive director shall appoint a state director of resource stewardship.

(2) The director of resource stewardship shall report to the executive director or the executive director's designee.

(3) The director of resource stewardship shall:

(a) work with state agencies to implement best practices and stewardship measures to improve the quality of air, land, and water; and

(b) report annually to the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee on best practices and stewardship efforts to improve the quality of air, land, and water.

(4) A state agency retains absolute discretion whether to incorporate a practice or measure suggested by the director of resource stewardship.

Section 2. **Repealer.**

This bill repeals:

Section **63A-1-116, Appointment of coordinator of resource stewardship -- Duties of the coordinator of resource stewardship.**