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**UTAH LAKE AUTHORITY AMENDMENTS**

2023 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Brady Brammer**

Senate Sponsor: Michael K. McKell

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill modifies provisions governing the Utah Lake Authority Board.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ changes membership requirements for the Utah Lake Authority Board.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**11-65-302**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapter 59

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

Section 1. Section **11-65-302** is amended to read:

**11-65-302. Number of board members -- Appointment -- Vacancies.**

(1) The lake authority's board shall consist of 15 members, as provided in Subsection

(2).

(2) (a) The governor shall appoint two board members, at least one of whom shall be from the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity.



28 (b) The president of the Senate shall appoint as one board member an individual who  
29 holds office as a member of the Senate and whose Senate district includes an area within Utah  
30 County.

31 (c) The speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint as one board member an  
32 individual who holds office as a member of the House of Representatives and whose House of  
33 Representatives district includes an area within Utah County.

34 (d) The legislative body of Utah County shall appoint a member of the legislative body  
35 of Utah County as a board member.

36 (e) (i) The Utah County Council of Governments shall appoint eight board members, at  
37 least one of whom shall be an individual selected from among individuals designated by  
38 chambers of commerce in Utah County, each of which may recommend an individual for  
39 appointment to the board.

40 (ii) ~~[A member appointed by the Utah County Council of Governments, except]~~ Except  
41 for a member appointed as designated by a chamber of commerce in Utah County, [shall hold  
42 an elective office in Utah County or a municipality within Utah County] all members appointed  
43 by the Utah County Council of Governments shall be elected officials from municipalities  
44 whose boundaries are no more than one half mile from the lake authority boundary.

45 (iii) At least four of the members appointed by the Utah County Council of  
46 Governments shall be elected officials from municipalities immediately adjacent to the lake  
47 authority boundary.

48 (iv) The initial members appointed by the Utah County Council of Governments shall  
49 include:

50 (A) an individual designated by the legislative body of the city of Lehi;

51 (B) an individual designated by the legislative body of the city of Lindon;

52 (C) an individual designated by the legislative body of the city of Spanish Fork;

53 (D) an individual who is an elected officer of the city of Provo, designated by the  
54 mayor of the city of Provo;

55 (E) an individual who is an elected officer of the city of Orem, designated by the  
56 legislative body of the city of Orem;

57 (F) an individual who is an elected officer of the city of Vineyard, designated by the  
58 legislative body of the city of Vineyard; and

59 (G) an individual who is an elected officer of the city of Saratoga Springs, designated  
60 by the legislative body of the city of Saratoga Springs.

61 (f) The executive director of the Department of Natural Resources shall appoint one  
62 board member.

63 (g) The executive director of the Department of Environmental Quality shall appoint  
64 one board member.

65 (3) Appointments required under Subsection (2) shall be made no later than June 1,  
66 2022.

67 (4) (a) A vacancy in the board shall be filled in the same manner under this section as  
68 the appointment of the member whose vacancy is being filled.

69 (b) An individual appointed to fill a vacancy shall serve the remaining unexpired term  
70 of the member whose vacancy the individual is filling.

71 (5) A member of the board appointed by the governor, president of the Senate, or  
72 speaker of the House of Representatives serves at the pleasure of and may be removed and  
73 replaced at any time, with or without cause, by the governor, president of the Senate, or speaker  
74 of the House of Representatives, respectively.

75 (6) The lake authority may appoint nonvoting members of the board and set terms for  
76 those nonvoting members.

77 (7) Upon a vote of a majority of all board members, the board may appoint a board  
78 chair and any other officer of the board.

79 (8) The board:

80 (a) may appoint one or more advisory committees that may include individuals from  
81 impacted public entities, community organizations, environmental organizations, business  
82 organizations, or other organizations or associations; and

83 (b) shall appoint an advisory committee to advise on:

84 (i) water rights, water projects, and water facilities associated with Utah Lake; and

85 (ii) recreation and avian and other wildlife activities on Utah Lake.