

1 **ENERGY PRODUCER STATES' AGREEMENT AMENDMENTS**

2 2023 GENERAL SESSION

3 STATE OF UTAH

4 **Chief Sponsor: Wayne A. Harper**

5 House Sponsor: Steven J. Lund

7 **LONG TITLE**

8 **General Description:**

9 This bill directs the Legislature to participate in The Energy Council and provides for
10 the appointment and duties of members.

11 **Highlighted Provisions:**

12 This bill:

- 13 ▶ directs the Legislature to participate in The Energy Council;
- 14 ▶ provides requirements for legislators appointed as members;
- 15 ▶ addresses powers and duties for members;
- 16 ▶ provides for compensation and expenses of members;
- 17 ▶ requires the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel to provide staff

18 assistance to members as requested;

- 19 ▶ modifies sunset provisions;
- 20 ▶ removes a provision related to participation in the Energy Producing States

21 Coalition; and

- 22 ▶ makes technical changes.

23 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

24 None

25 **Other Special Clauses:**

26 None

27 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

28 AMENDS:

29 **63I-1-236**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2022, Chapters 175, 247

30 ENACTS:

31 **36-7a-601**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

32 REPEALS:

33 **36-12-20**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 33



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

36 Section 1. Section **36-7a-601** is enacted to read:

37 **36-7a-601. State participation in The Energy Council -- Membership -- Duties.**

38 (1) As used in this section, "member" means a legislator appointed under the
39 requirements of this section to participate in The Energy Council.

40 (2) The Legislature shall participate in and appoint members to The Energy Council, a
41 nonpartisan legislative organization that provides a forum for legislators from energy
42 producing states to discuss and collaborate on energy policy.

43 (3) The Legislature shall appoint four members to The Energy Council as follows:

44 (a) two senators, appointed by the president of the Senate; and

45 (b) two representatives, appointed by the speaker of the House.

46 (4) Members shall:

47 (a) as able, participate in conferences and meetings of The Energy Council; and

48 (b) upon request, report on their activities to the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and
49 Environment Interim Committee and the Public Utilities, Energy, and Technology Interim
50 Committee.

51 (5) The compensation and expenses of a member shall be paid in accordance with
52 Section **36-2-2** and Legislative Joint Rules, Title 5, Lodging, Meal, and Transportation
53 Expenses.

54 (6) The Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel shall provide staff
55 assistance to a member as requested.

56 Section 2. Section **63I-1-236** is amended to read:

57 **63I-1-236. Repeal dates: Title 36.**

58 (1) Title 36, Chapter 17, Legislative Process Committee, is repealed January 1, 2028.

59 [~~(2)~~ Section ~~36-12-20~~ is repealed June 30, 2023.]

60 [~~(3)~~] (2) Title 36, Chapter 28, Veterans and Military Affairs Commission, is repealed
61 January 1, 2025.

62 [~~(4)~~] (3) Section ~~36-29-108~~, Criminal Code Evaluation Task Force, is repealed July 1,
63 2023.

64 [~~(5)~~] (4) Title 36, Chapter 31, Martha Hughes Cannon Capitol Statue Oversight
65 Committee, is repealed January 1, 2022.

66 Section 3. **Repealer.**

67 This bill repeals:

68 Section ~~36-12-20~~, **Development of proposed energy producer states' agreement --**
69 **Membership selection -- Agreements -- Goals -- Meetings -- Reports.**