

**PUBLIC ACCOMMODATION AMENDMENTS**

2024 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Wayne A. Harper**

House Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill modifies provisions related to places of public accommodation.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

► clarifies that the state act governing discrimination in places of public accommodation does not apply to discrimination on the basis of disability, which is governed by federal law.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**13-7-3**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 130

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

Section 1. Section **13-7-3** is amended to read:

**13-7-3. Equal right in business establishments, places of public accommodation, and enterprises regulated by the state.**

(1) All persons within the jurisdiction of this state are free and equal and are entitled to



28 full and equal accommodations, advantages, facilities, privileges, goods and services in all  
29 business establishments and in all places of public accommodation, and by all enterprises  
30 regulated by the state of every kind whatsoever, without discrimination on the basis of race,  
31 color, sex, pregnancy, religion, ancestry or national origin.

32 (2) Nothing in this act shall be construed to deny any person the right to regulate the  
33 operation of a business establishment or place of public accommodation or an enterprise  
34 regulated by the state in a manner which applies uniformly to all persons without regard to  
35 race, color, sex, pregnancy, religion, ancestry, or national origin; or to deny any religious  
36 organization the right to regulate the operation and procedures of its establishments.

37 (3) Discrimination on the basis of disability is governed by federal law and not this act.

38 **Section 2. Effective date.**

39 This bill takes effect on May 1, 2024.