## Environment and Natural Resources Week 5

### Feb 28, 2020

**Total Bills Exported:** 40

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**Issues**: Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**: Storm Water Permitting Amendments

**Title**

**Description**

Enacts the Storm Water Permitting Act, which prohibits government entities from requiring storm water permits related to construction, directs that storm water containment be studied, and requires the Division of Water Quality to report on the study of storm water containment.

**Categories**

Energy, Government Administration, Environment, Industrials, Infrastructure, Law Enforcement & Public Safety, Public Resources

**Primary Sponsors**

Casey Snider

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**Issues**: Environment and Natural Resources, Priority Votes

**Labels**: Secondary Water Requirements

**Title**

**Description**

Requires metering of secondary water by suppliers that supply pressurized secondary water to a commercial, industrial, institutional, or residential user by December 31, 2040. Requires each user to complete and submit a compliance plan by March 31, 2021. And requires those entities to provide individual users with educational materials on a monthly basis. Allows the board to make at least $10,000 in loans to assist with compliance. Restricts the use of culinary water for regular irrigation.

**Categories**

Public Resources, Industrials, Agriculture, Energy, Budget, Families & Children, Infrastructure

**Primary Sponsors**

Jake Anderegg, Carl Albrecht

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**Issues**: Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**: Energy Rebate Programs Amendments

**Title**

**Description**

Requires the Public Service Commission to allow an end-use customer that receives a rebate under a large-scale natural gas utility’s approved schedule to continue receiving the rebate for up to one calendar year after the tariff under which the rebate was created is modified or is no longer in effect. Requires the Public Service Commission to allow an end-use customer who receives a credit under a large-scale electrical utility's approved demand side management tariff to continue receiving the credit for up to one calendar year after the tariff under which the credit was created is modified or is no longer in effect due to a change in federal regulations or to the state Construction and Fire Codes Act.

**Categories**

Infrastructure, Energy, Transportation, Taxes, Public Resources

**Primary Sponsors**

Steve Handy
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**Issues**: Environment and Natural Resources, Priority Votes, Transportation

**Labels**

**Title**: Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Amendments

**Description**: Creates a large-scale electric utility that will establish a vehicle charging infrastructure program that will install electric vehicle charging stations every 50 miles along our interstate and highways and allows for a $50,000,000 initial private investment.

**Categories**: Infrastructure, Energy, Transportation, Communications, Environment, Taxes, Industrials, Consumers, Public Resources

**Primary Sponsors**: Lowry Snow

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**Issues**: Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**

**Title**: Taxed Interlocal Entity Amendments

**Description**: Modifies the definition of “project” for taxed interlocal entities to include fuel production facilities, energy storage facilities, and ownership interest in an interlocal energy hub. Defines “Utah interlocal energy hub” as, among other things, a Utah entity-owned facility that coordinates resources and participants to facilitate the production, storage, and transmission of energy or fuel.

**Categories**: Energy, Taxes, Government Administration, Infrastructure, Budget, Housing & Property, Transportation, Industrials

**Primary Sponsors**: David Hinkins, Carl Albrecht

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**Issues**: Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**

**Title**: Small Mining Operations Amendments

**Description**: Modifies the definition of small mining operations to mean a mining operation that disturbs or will disturb 20 surface acres instead of 10 surface acres at any given time in an unincorporated county and 10 surface acres instead of 5 surface acres in an incorporated area of a county.

**Categories**: Industrials, Energy, Public Resources, Environment, Agriculture, Infrastructure, Legal Affairs, Families & Children

**Primary Sponsors**: David Hinkins, Scott Chew
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**Issues**: Environment and Natural Resources, Priority Votes, Business Climate, Housing Affordability

**Labels**

**Title**: Opportunity Zone Enhancements

**Description**

Bill Summary: Allows the Director of the Division of Air Quality to prioritize in an incentive program the applications of private entities that are installing electric vehicle supply equipment in an opportunity zone. Allows projects undertaken within the boundaries of an opportunity zone to be given preference for Olene Walker Housing Loan Fund applications and Utah low-income housing tax credits. Creates a tax credit for physical construction costs for a parking structure in an opportunity zone.

**Categories**


**Primary Sponsors**

Mike Winder, Curt Bramble

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**Issues**: Environment and Natural Resources, Priority Votes

**Labels**

**Title**: Electric Vehicle Charging Network

**Description**

Bill Summary: Requires the Department of Transportation to work with partners to lead in the creation of a statewide electric vehicle charging network plan to provide electric vehicle charging facilities along interstate and other major highways.

**Categories**

Transportation, Government Administration, Industrials, Energy, Budget, Infrastructure

**Primary Sponsors**

Robert Spendlove, Gregg Buxton

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**Issues**: Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**

**Title**: Boat Fees Amendments

**Description**

Bill Summary: Requires resident boaters to pay a $10 fee and nonresident boaters to pay a $20 fee in order to operate a boat on waters in Utah. Requires boaters to complete an education course on aquatic invasive species and creates the Aquatic Invasive Species Interdiction Account.

**Categories**

Transportation, Environment, Agriculture, Public Resources

**Primary Sponsors**

Steve Waldrip, David Hinkins

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**Issues**: Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**

**Title**: Natural Resources Legacy Funding Amendments

**Description**

Bill Summary: Creates the Natural Resources Legacy Fund and the Natural Resources Legacy Fund Board and provides that the fund shall be used to to conduct research, monitoring, and management actions that benefit non-game species.

**Categories**

Taxes, Government Administration, Industrials, Budget, Infrastructure, Transportation, Agriculture, Food & Beverage, Public Resources, Sports & Recreation, Legal Affairs

**Primary Sponsors**

Casey Snider, Dan Hemmert
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Issues
- Environment and Natural Resources

Labels

Title
- Change to Effective Date of Water-related Amendments
- Environmental Quality Revisions
- Water Use Amendments
- Concurrent Resolution Concerning the Protection, Development, and Beneficial Use of Utah's Colorado River Compact Allocation

Description
- Modifies effective date language from H.B. 31, Water Supply and Surplus Water Amendments, passed during the 2019 General Session, to refer to a proposed constitutional amendment that replaces the one referred to in H.B. 31 (from 2019 to 2020).
- Makes numerous technical and substantive changes to the Department of Environmental Quality code. (See bill for list of changes)
- States that the state engineer may not construe an application for a split season change or other potentially complicated change as incomplete if the application is satisfactory. Removes the exemption related to proof of appropriation or change from an instream flow water right and applies it to a fixed time or temporary change application.
- Encourages the state to expeditiously develop and place to beneficial use, the water apportioned to Utah under the Compacts, consistent with the Law of the River; Encourages the state and local water users to continue to explore and implement practices that promote water efficiency. Encourages the state to coordinate and cooperate with the specified federal agency and the other Colorado River basin states to implement the Drought Control Plans and to engage

Categories
- Government Administration
- Government Administration, Budget, Public Resources, Industrials, Legal Affairs, Agriculture, Transportation, Environment
- Government Administration, Budget, Public Resources, Industrials, Legal Affairs, Agriculture, Transportation, Environment
- Transportation, Government Administration, Environment, Public Resources

Primary Sponsors
- Keven Stratton, Ralph Okerlund
- Ralph Okerlund, Suzanne Harrison
- Timothy Hawkes, Jani Iwamoto
- Brad Last
### Water Infrastructure Safety and Maintenance

**Title:** Water Infrastructure Safety and Maintenance  
**Description:** Imposes reporting requirements on large water providers regarding the ages of the water infrastructure that they own or operate, the water infrastructure concealed underground that is older than the recommended age for the material, and their ongoing repair and replacement plan to stay current on water infrastructure replacement.

**Categories:** Infrastructure, Public Resources, Agriculture  
**Primary Sponsors:** Kim Coleman

### Outdoor Adventure Commission Amendments

**Title:** Outdoor Adventure Commission Amendments  
**Description:** Creates the Outdoor Adventure Commission to hold regional meeting, and work with consultants to develop a recreation strategic plan.

**Categories:** Taxes, Government Administration, Infrastructure, Transportation, Travel & Leisure, Sports & Recreation, Labor & Employment, Budget, Public Resources, Crime, Industrials, Social Issues, Agriculture  
**Primary Sponsors:** Jeff Stenquist, Kirk Cullimore

### Dogs in Watershed Areas

**Title:** Dogs in Watershed Areas  
**Description:** Prohibits restricting a service or rescue dog in watershed areas that never leaves a motor vehicle and is accompanied by an individual.

**Categories:** Transportation, Government Administration, Public Resources, Law Enforcement & Public Safety, Social Issues  
**Primary Sponsors:** Cheryl Acton, Dan McCay

### Voluntary Home Energy Information Pilot Program

**Title:** Voluntary Home Energy Information Pilot Program  
**Description:** Creates the Voluntary Home Energy Information Pilot Program (to run from 2020 to 2021) to provide reimbursements to fund home energy assessments and the issuance of home energy performance reports to qualified applicants. Requires the Office of Energy Development to create a home energy performance score system. Creates the Home Energy Information Advisory Committee to consult on the development and implementation of the home energy information pilot program and the home energy performance score system.

**Categories:** Energy, Consumers, Government Administration, Technology, Public Resources, Labor & Employment, Budget, Infrastructure  
**Primary Sponsors:** Patrice Arent, Curt Bramble
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**Issues**
Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**

**Title**
Watershed Councils

**Description**
Creates the Utah Watersheds Council as well as local watershed councils.

**Categories**
Transportation, Government Administration, Public Resources, Agriculture, Industrials, Energy

**Primary Sponsors**
Timothy Hawkes

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**Issues**
Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**

**Title**
State Water Policy Amendments

**Description**
Outlines water policies for the state and encourages state agencies to follow the state policy, including water conservation and optimization.

**Categories**

**Primary Sponsors**
Keven Stratton, David Hinkins

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**Issues**
Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**

**Title**
Division of Water Resources Study Update

**Description**
Directs the Division of Water Resources to update the 2002 Green River Pipeline Cost Analysis and study reasonable alternative methods, if any, of diverting Green River water into the Wasatch Front that are not addressed in the 2002 Study.

**Categories**
Transportation, Agriculture

**Primary Sponsors**
Joel Ferry

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**Issues**
Environment and Natural Resources, Transportation

**Labels**

**Title**
Emissions Inspection Revisions

**Description**
Exempts electric motor vehicles from local emissions compliance fees.

**Categories**
Transportation, Government Administration, Environment, Agriculture, Public Resources, Technology

**Primary Sponsors**
Cory Maloy, Curt Bramble
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**Issues**
Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**

**Title**
Energy Efficiency Amendments

**Description**
Defines “demand side management” as an activity or program implemented by a large-scale electric utility that promotes overall energy efficiency or conservation or more efficient management of the use of energy. Defines “energy efficiency” as a change in the overall use of energy by a customer that results in a lower cost to the customer or reduced use of energy by the customer.

**Categories**
Energy, Infrastructure, Environment, Transportation, Public Resources, Taxes, Technology

**Primary Sponsors**
Jeff Stenquist

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**Issues**
Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**

**Title**
General Adjudication Water Amendments

**Description**
Provides technical clarifications regarding objections and standing in water rights adjudications.

**Categories**
Legal Affairs, Agriculture

**Primary Sponsors**
Casey Snider, Scott Sandall

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**Issues**
Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**

**Title**
Public Entity Water Users Amendments

**Description**
Requires public water users to submit water use plans by November 30, 2020.

**Categories**
Public Resources, Infrastructure

**Primary Sponsors**
Jake Anderegg

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**Title**
Water Applications Amendments

**Description**
Allows the state engineer to issue a certificate reinstating water water rights, if the applicant meets certain requirements, before evaluating a claim in a general adjudication.

**Categories**
Public Resources, Social Issues, Budget, Agriculture

**Primary Sponsors**
Timothy Hawkes, Ralph Okerlund
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**Title**
- Tax Credit for Alternative Fuel Vehicles

**Description**
- Creates a nonrefundable corporate and individual income tax credits for the purchase or lease of alternative fuel vehicles purchased or leased for $45,000 or less. Caps the available credits at $3,000,000. The program sunsets on January 1, 2024.

**Categories**
- Taxes, Environment, Transportation, Labor & Employment, Infrastructure, Energy, Industrials

**Primary Sponsors**
- Suzanne Harrison

**Issues**
- Environment and Natural Resources, Priority Votes

**Labels**

**Title**
- Water Banking Amendments

**Description**
- Authorizes the Board of Water Resources, the state engineer, and the Division of Water Resources to implement water banking.

**Categories**
- Government Administration, Environment, Budget, Legal Affairs, Public Resources, Infrastructure, Financials, Industrials, Communications, Transportation

**Primary Sponsors**
- Jani Iwamoto, Timothy Hawkes

**Issues**
- Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**

**Title**
- Proposal to Amend Utah Constitution -- Water Resources of Municipalities

**Description**
- Rewrites the recent change to the Utah Constitution allowing municipalities to regulate water outside the boundaries of the municipality.

**Categories**
- Government Administration, Agriculture, Infrastructure

**Primary Sponsors**
- Keven Stratton, Ralph Okerlund

**Issues**
- Environment and Natural Resources

**Labels**

**Title**
- Agricultural Water Optimization Task Force Amendments

**Description**
- Adds three members whose primary source of income is the production of agricultural commodities to the Agricultural Water Optimization Task Force.

**Categories**
- Agriculture, Government Administration, Technology, Public Resources

**Primary Sponsors**
- Casey Snider, David Hinkins
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Hazardous Substances Mitigation Act Sunset Extension

**Title**

Hazardous Substances Mitigation Act Sunset Extension

**Description**

Extends the repeal date for the Hazardous Substances Mitigation Act by ten years (until July 1, 2030).

**Categories**

Infrastructure, Agriculture, Public Resources, Energy, Environment

**Primary Sponsors**

Ralph Okerlund, Keven Stratton

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Land Exchange Distribution Account Amendments

**Title**

Land Exchange Distribution Account Amendments

**Description**

Extends the repeal date for certain distributions from the Land Exchange Distribution Account by ten years (until July 1, 2030). And removes the ability to use Land Exchange Distribution Account funds for air quality monitoring.

**Categories**

Government Administration, Agriculture, Budget, Industrials, Families & Children, Education

**Primary Sponsors**

Ralph Okerlund, Keven Stratton

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Agricultural Water Use Amendments

**Title**

Agricultural Water Use Amendments

**Description**

Requires the Division of Water Rights to prepare a report about agricultural use of water by November 1, 2020.

**Categories**

Agriculture, Budget, Public Resources

**Primary Sponsors**

Jake Anderegg

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Digital Integration Progress Report for Public Utilities

**Title**

Digital Integration Progress Report for Public Utilities

**Description**

Requires data sharing across public utilities to facilitate more accurate measurements and increase building efficiency. Requires municipal utilities, electrical corporations, and gas corporations to file a report on the status and plans for digital integration between the utility and customers.

**Categories**

Infrastructure, Government Administration, Energy, Technology, Communications, Industrials

**Primary Sponsors**

Steve Handy
### Clean and Renewable Energy Requirement Amendments

**Description**
Requires that, beginning on July 1, 2030, at least 50% of the total kilowatt-hours of a large-scale electric utilities annual retail electric sales to customers shall consist of qualifying clean electricity.

**Categories**
Energy, Infrastructure, Public Resources, Environment, Technology, Government Administration, Industrials

**Primary Sponsors**
Ray Ward, Curt Bramble

### Vehicle Emissions Reduction Program

**Description**
Creates a General Fund a restricted Emissions Reduction Program Restricted Account and the Vehicle Emissions Reduction Program to provide financial assistance to qualified vehicle owners in purchasing eligible replacement vehicles.

**Categories**
Health, Transportation, Social Issues, Infrastructure, Environment, Consumers, Taxes, Energy

**Primary Sponsors**
Jeff Stenquist