

**FEDERAL LAND DISPOSAL LAW AMENDMENTS**

2022 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Brady Brammer**

Senate Sponsor: \_\_\_\_\_

**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill amends provisions related to the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office's activities related to federal land disposal laws.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ repeals the advisory committee and related provisions;
- ▶ clarifies reporting;
- ▶ authorizes the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office to take action related to the filing and processing of federal land applications;
- ▶ permits agreements with the Secretary of the Interior; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

AMENDS:

**63I-1-263**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapters 70, 72, 84, 90, 171, 196, 260, 280, 282, 345, 382, 401, 421 and last amended by Coordination Clause, Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 382



28           **63L-11-305**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 280 and renumbered and  
29 amended by Laws of Utah 2021, Chapter 382



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

32           Section 1. Section **63I-1-263** is amended to read:

33           **63I-1-263. Repeal dates, Titles 63A to 63N.**

34           (1) In relation to the Utah Transparency Advisory Board, on January 1, 2025:

35           (a) Section **63A-16-102** is repealed;

36           (b) Section **63A-16-201** is repealed; and

37           (c) Section **63A-16-202** is repealed.

38           (2) Subsection **63A-5b-405(5)**, relating to prioritizing and allocating capital  
39 improvement funding, is repealed July 1, 2024.

40           (3) Section **63A-5b-1003**, State Facility Energy Efficiency Fund, is repealed July 1,  
41 2023.

42           (4) Sections **63A-9-301** and **63A-9-302**, related to the Motor Vehicle Review  
43 Committee, are repealed July 1, 2023.

44           (5) Title 63C, Chapter 4a, Constitutional and Federalism Defense Act, is repealed July  
45 1, 2028.

46           (6) Title 63C, Chapter 6, Utah Seismic Safety Commission, is repealed January 1,  
47 2025.

48           (7) Title 63C, Chapter 12, Snake Valley Aquifer Advisory Council, is repealed July 1,  
49 2024.

50           (8) Title 63C, Chapter 17, Point of the Mountain Development Commission Act, is  
51 repealed July 1, 2023.

52           (9) Title 63C, Chapter 18, Behavioral Health Crisis Response Commission, is repealed  
53 July 1, 2023.

54           (10) Title 63C, Chapter 23, Education and Mental Health Coordinating Council, is  
55 repealed July 1, 2026.

56           (11) Title 63A, Chapter 16, Part 7, Data Security Management Council, is repealed  
57 July 1, 2025.

58           (12) Section **63G-6a-805**, which creates the Purchasing from Persons with Disabilities

59 Advisory Board, is repealed July 1, 2026.

60 (13) Title 63G, Chapter 21, Agreements to Provide State Services, is repealed July 1,  
61 2025.

62 (14) Title 63H, Chapter 4, Heber Valley Historic Railroad Authority, is repealed July 1,  
63 2024.

64 (15) Title 63H, Chapter 8, Utah Housing Corporation Act, is repealed July 1, 2026.

65 (16) Subsection 63J-1-602.1(17), Nurse Home Visiting Restricted Account is repealed  
66 July 1, 2026.

67 (17) (a) Subsection 63J-1-602.1(61), relating to the Utah Statewide Radio System  
68 Restricted Account, is repealed July 1, 2022.

69 (b) When repealing Subsection 63J-1-602.1(61), the Office of Legislative Research and  
70 General Counsel shall, in addition to the office's authority under Subsection 36-12-12(3), make  
71 necessary changes to subsection numbering and cross references.

72 (18) Subsection 63J-1-602.2(5), referring to dedicated credits to the Utah Marriage  
73 Commission, is repealed July 1, 2023.

74 (19) Subsection 63J-1-602.2(6), referring to the Trip Reduction Program, is repealed  
75 July 1, 2022.

76 (20) Subsection 63J-1-602.2(24), related to the Utah Seismic Safety Commission, is  
77 repealed January 1, 2025.

78 (21) Title 63J, Chapter 4, Part 5, Resource Development Coordinating Committee, is  
79 repealed July 1, 2027.

80 [~~(22) In relation to the advisory committee created in Subsection 63L-11-305(3), on~~  
81 ~~July 1, 2022:]~~

82 [~~(a) Subsection 63L-11-305(1)(a), which defines "advisory committee," is repealed;~~  
83 ~~and]~~

84 [~~(b) Subsection 63L-11-305(3), which creates the advisory committee, is repealed.]~~

85 [~~(23)~~] (22) In relation to the Utah Substance Use and Mental Health Advisory Council,  
86 on January 1, 2023:

87 (a) Sections 63M-7-301, 63M-7-302, 63M-7-303, 63M-7-304, and 63M-7-306 are  
88 repealed;

89 (b) Section 63M-7-305, the language that states "council" is replaced with

90 "commission";

91 (c) Subsection 63M-7-305(1) is repealed and replaced with:

92 "(1) "Commission" means the Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice."; and

93 (d) Subsection 63M-7-305(2) is repealed and replaced with:

94 "(2) The commission shall:

95 (a) provide ongoing oversight of the implementation, functions, and evaluation of the  
96 Drug-Related Offenses Reform Act; and

97 (b) coordinate the implementation of Section 77-18-104 and related provisions in  
98 Subsections 77-18-103(2)(c) and (d)."

99 [~~24~~] (23) The Crime Victim Reparations and Assistance Board, created in Section  
100 63M-7-504, is repealed July 1, 2027.

101 [~~25~~] (24) Title 63M, Chapter 7, Part 6, Utah Council on Victims of Crime, is repealed  
102 July 1, 2022.

103 [~~26~~] (25) Title 63M, Chapter 11, Utah Commission on Aging, is repealed July 1,  
104 2026.

105 [~~27~~] (26) Title 63N, Chapter 1, Part 5, Governor's Economic Development  
106 Coordinating Council, is repealed July 1, 2024.

107 [~~28~~] (27) Title 63N, Chapter 2, Part 2, Enterprise Zone Act, is repealed July 1, 2028.

108 [~~29~~] (28) Section 63N-2-512, related to the Hotel Impact Mitigation Fund, is repealed  
109 July 1, 2028.

110 [~~30~~] (29) (a) Title 63N, Chapter 2, Part 6, Utah Small Business Jobs Act, is repealed  
111 January 1, 2021.

112 (b) Section 59-9-107 regarding tax credits against premium taxes is repealed for  
113 calendar years beginning on or after January 1, 2021.

114 (c) Notwithstanding [~~Subsection(30)~~] (29)(b), an entity may carry forward a tax credit  
115 in accordance with Section 59-9-107 if:

116 (i) the person is entitled to a tax credit under Section 59-9-107 on or before December  
117 31, 2020; and

118 (ii) the qualified equity investment that is the basis of the tax credit is certified under  
119 Section 63N-2-603 on or before December 31, 2023.

120 [~~31~~] (30) Title 63N, Chapter 4, Part 4, Rural Employment Expansion Program, is

121 repealed July 1, 2023.

122 ~~[(32)]~~ (31) Title 63N, Chapter 7, Part 1, Board of Tourism Development, is repealed  
123 July 1, 2025.

124 ~~[(33)]~~ (32) Title 63N, Chapter 9, Part 2, Outdoor Recreational Infrastructure Grant  
125 Program, is repealed January 1, 2028.

126 Section 2. Section **63L-11-305** is amended to read:

127 **63L-11-305. Facilitating the acquisition of federal land.**

128 (1) As used in this section:

129 ~~[(a)]~~ "Advisory committee" means the committee established under Subsection (3);]

130 ~~[(b)]~~ (a) "Federal land" means land that the secretary is authorized to dispose of under  
131 the federal land disposal law.

132 ~~[(c)]~~ (b) "Federal land disposal law" means the Recreation and Public Purposes Act, 43  
133 U.S.C. Sec. 869 et seq.

134 ~~[(d)]~~ (c) "Government entity" means any state or local government entity allowed to  
135 submit a land application under the federal land disposal law.

136 ~~[(e)]~~ (d) "Land application" means an application under the federal land disposal law  
137 requesting the secretary to sell or lease federal land.

138 ~~[(f)]~~ (e) "Land application process" means ~~[aH]~~ the actions involved in the process of  
139 submitting and obtaining a final decision on a land application.

140 ~~[(g)]~~ (f) "Secretary" means the Secretary of the Interior of the United States.

141 (2) The office shall:

142 (a) develop expertise:

143 (i) in the land application process; and

144 (ii) concerning the factors that tend to increase the chances that a land application will  
145 result in the secretary selling or leasing federal land as requested in the land application;

146 (b) work to educate government entities concerning:

147 (i) the availability of federal land pursuant to the federal land disposal law; and

148 (ii) the land application process;

149 (c) advise and consult with a government entity that requests assistance from the office  
150 to formulate and submit a land application and to pursue a decision on the land application;

151 (d) advise and consult with a government entity that requests assistance from the office

152 to identify and quantify the amount of any funds needed to provide the public use described in  
153 a land application;

154 ~~[(e) with the advice and recommendations of the advisory committee:]~~

155 ~~[(f)]~~ (e) adopt a list of factors to be considered in determining the degree to which a  
156 land application or potential land application is in the public interest; ~~[and]~~

157 ~~[(g)]~~ (f) recommend a prioritization of ~~[all]~~ land applications or potential land  
158 applications in the state according to the extent to which the land applications are in the public  
159 interest, based on the factors adopted under Subsection (2)(e)~~[(f)]~~;

160 ~~[(h)]~~ (g) prepare and submit a written report of land applications:

161 (i) to the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee and the  
162 Federalism Commission;

163 (ii) (A) annually no later than August 31; and

164 (B) at other times, if and as requested by the committee or commission; and

165 (iii) (A) on the activities of the office under this section;

166 (B) on the land applications and potential land applications in the state; ~~[and]~~

167 (C) on the decisions of the secretary on land applications submitted by government  
168 entities in the state; and

169 (D) the quantity of land acquired under the land applications;

170 ~~[(i)]~~ (h) present a summary of information contained in the report described in  
171 Subsection (2)~~[(g)]~~(g):

172 (i) at a meeting of the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim  
173 Committee and at a meeting of the Federalism Commission;

174 (ii) annually no later than August 31; and

175 (iii) at other times, if and as requested by the committee or commission; and

176 ~~[(j)]~~ (i) report to the Executive Appropriations Committee of the Legislature, as  
177 frequently as the executive director considers appropriate or as requested by the ~~[committee]~~  
178 Executive Appropriations Committee, on the need for legislative appropriations to provide  
179 funds for the public purposes described in land applications.

180 ~~[(3)(a) There is created an advisory committee comprised of:]~~

181 ~~[(i) an individual designated by the chairs of the Federalism Commission;]~~

182 ~~[(ii) an individual designated by the director of the Division of Facilities Construction]~~

183 and Management;]

184 [~~(iii) a representative of the Antiquities Section, created in Section 9-8-304, designated~~  
185 ~~by the director of the Division of State History;~~]

186 [~~(iv) a representative of municipalities designated by the Utah League of Cities and~~  
187 ~~Towns;~~]

188 [~~(v) a representative of counties designated by the Utah Association of Counties;~~]

189 [~~(vi) an individual designated by the Governor's Office of Economic Opportunity; and]~~

190 [~~(vii) an individual designated by the director of the Division of State Parks, created in~~  
191 ~~Section 79-4-201;~~]

192 [~~(b) The seven members of the advisory committee under Subsection (3)(a) may, by~~  
193 ~~majority vote, appoint up to four additional volunteer members of the advisory committee.~~]

194 [~~(c) The advisory committee shall advise and provide recommendations to the office~~  
195 ~~on;~~]

196 [~~(i) factors the office should consider in determining the degree to which a land~~  
197 ~~application or potential land application is in the public interest; and]~~

198 [~~(ii) the prioritization of land applications or potential land applications in the state~~  
199 ~~according to the extent to which the land applications are in the public interest, based on the~~  
200 ~~factors adopted under Subsection (2)(c)(i).~~]

201 [~~(d) A member of the advisory committee may not receive compensation, benefits, or~~  
202 ~~expense reimbursement for the member's service on the advisory committee.~~]

203 [~~(e) The advisory committee may:~~]

204 [~~(i) select a chair from among the advisory committee members; and]~~

205 [~~(ii) meet as often as necessary to perform the advisory committee's duties under this~~  
206 ~~section.~~]

207 [~~(f) The executive director shall facilitate the convening of the first meeting of the~~  
208 ~~advisory committee.~~]

209 (3) The office may:

210 (a) assist a government entity or the secretary in the filing and processing of a land  
211 application; and

212 (b) enter into an agreement with the secretary related to the office assisting in  
213 processing a land application.