

**REGULATORY SANDBOX PROGRAM AMENDMENTS**

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23 **LONG TITLE**

24 **General Description:**

25 This bill creates the Utah Office of Regulatory Relief (regulatory relief office) within  
26 the Governor's Office of Economic Development (GOED).

27 **Highlighted Provisions:**

28 This bill:

- 29           ▶ creates the regulatory relief office within GOED;
- 30           ▶ defines terms;
- 31           ▶ describes the duties of the regulatory relief office;
- 32           ▶ creates the General Regulatory Sandbox Program (sandbox program), which allows
- 33 the office to waive laws or regulations applicable to a participant under certain
- 34 circumstances;
- 35           ▶ describes how the sandbox program is to be administered by the regulatory relief
- 36 office;
- 37           ▶ describes reporting and other requirements of the regulatory relief office and
- 38 participants in the sandbox program;
- 39           ▶ creates the General Regulatory Sandbox Program Advisory Committee (advisory
- 40 committee);
- 41           ▶ describes the membership and duties of the advisory committee; and
- 42           ▶ requires the regulatory relief office to create a web page where residents and
- 43 businesses in the state may provide suggestions regarding modifying or eliminating
- 44 laws and regulations to reduce the regulatory burden on residents and businesses in
- 45 the state.

46 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

47           None

48 **Other Special Clauses:**

49           None

50 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

51 AMENDS:

52           **13-55-102**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 243

53           **31A-47-102**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapter 141

54           **63G-2-305**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapters 112, 198, 339, 349, 382,

55 and 393

56 ENACTS:

- 57            **63N-16-101**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 58            **63N-16-102**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 59            **63N-16-103**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 60            **63N-16-104**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 61            **63N-16-105**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 62            **63N-16-201**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 63            **63N-16-202**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 64            **63N-16-203**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 65            **63N-16-204**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 66            **63N-16-205**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 67            **63N-16-206**, Utah Code Annotated 1953
- 68            **63N-16-301**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

71            Section 1. Section **13-55-102** is amended to read:

72            **13-55-102. Definitions.**

73            As used in this chapter:

74            (1) "Applicable agency" means a department or agency of the state, including the  
75 department and the Department of Financial Institutions, that by law regulates certain types of  
76 business activity in the state and persons engaged in such business activity, including the  
77 issuance of licenses or other types of authorization, which the department determines would  
78 otherwise regulate a sandbox participant.

79            (2) "Applicant" means an individual or entity that is applying to participate in the  
80 regulatory sandbox.

81            (3) "Blockchain technology" means the use of a digital database containing records of  
82 financial transactions, which can be simultaneously used and shared within a decentralized,  
83 publicly accessible network and can record transactions between two parties in a verifiable and  
84 permanent way.

85 (4) "Consumer" means a person that purchases or otherwise enters into a transaction or  
86 agreement to receive an innovative product or service that is being tested by a sandbox  
87 participant.

88 (5) "Department" means the Department of Commerce.

89 (6) (a) "Financial product or service" means:

90 (i) a financial product or financial service that requires state licensure or registration; or

91 (ii) a financial product or financial service that includes a business model, delivery  
92 mechanism, or element that may require a license or other authorization to act as a financial  
93 institution, enterprise, or other entity that is regulated by Title 7, Financial Institutions Act, or  
94 other related provisions.

95 (b) "Financial product or service" does not include a product or service that is governed  
96 by:

97 (i) Title 31A, Insurance Code; or

98 (ii) Title 61, Chapter 1, Utah Uniform Securities Act.

99 (7) "Innovation" means the use or incorporation of a new idea, a new or emerging  
100 technology, or a new use of existing technology, including blockchain technology, to address a  
101 problem, provide a benefit, or otherwise offer a product, service, business model, or delivery  
102 mechanism [~~that is not known by the department to have a comparable widespread offering in~~  
103 ~~the state~~].

104 (8) "Innovative product or service" means a financial product or service that includes  
105 an innovation.

106 (9) "Regulatory sandbox" means the Regulatory Sandbox Program created by Section  
107 [13-55-103](#), which allows a person to temporarily test an innovative product or service on a  
108 limited basis without otherwise being licensed or authorized to act under the laws of the state.

109 (10) "Sandbox participant" means a person whose application to participate in the  
110 regulatory sandbox is approved in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

111 (11) "Test" means to provide an innovative product or service in accordance with the  
112 provisions of this chapter.

113 Section 2. Section 31A-47-102 is amended to read:

114 **31A-47-102. Definitions.**

115 As used in this chapter:

116 (1) "Applicable agency" means a department or agency of the state, including the  
117 department and the Department of Commerce, that by law regulates certain types of  
118 insurance-related business activity in the state and persons engaged in such insurance-related  
119 business activity, including the issuance of licenses or other types of authorization, which the  
120 department determines would otherwise regulate an insurance sandbox participant.

121 (2) "Applicant" means an individual or entity that is applying to participate in the  
122 insurance regulatory sandbox.

123 (3) "Blockchain technology" means the use of a digital database containing records of  
124 financial transactions, which can be simultaneously used and shared within a decentralized,  
125 publicly accessible network and can record transactions between two parties in a verifiable and  
126 permanent way.

127 (4) "Consumer" means a person that purchases or otherwise enters into a transaction or  
128 agreement to receive an innovative insurance product or service that is being tested by an  
129 insurance sandbox participant.

130 (5) "Department" means the Department of Insurance.

131 (6) "Innovation" means the use or incorporation of a new idea, a new or emerging  
132 technology, or a new use of existing technology, including blockchain technology, to address a  
133 problem, provide a benefit, or otherwise offer a product, service, business model, or delivery  
134 mechanism [~~that is not known by the department to have a comparable widespread offering in~~  
135 ~~the state~~].

136 (7) "Innovative insurance product or service" means an insurance product or service  
137 that includes an innovation.

138 (8) (a) "Insurance product or service" means an insurance product or insurance service  
139 that requires state licensure, registration, or other authorization as regulated by Title 31A,  
140 Insurance Code, including an insurance product or insurance service that includes a business

141 model, delivery mechanism, or element that requires a license, registration, or other  
142 authorization to do an insurance business, act as an insurance producer or consultant, or engage  
143 in insurance adjusting as regulated by Title 31A, Insurance Code.

144 (b) "Insurance product or service" does not include a product or service that is  
145 governed by Title 61, Chapter 1, Utah Uniform Securities Act.

146 (9) "Insurance regulatory sandbox" means the Insurance Regulatory Sandbox Program  
147 created by Section 31A-47-103, which allows a person to temporarily test an innovative  
148 insurance product or service on a limited basis without otherwise being licensed or authorized  
149 to act under the laws of the state.

150 (10) "Insurance sandbox participant" means a person whose application to participate  
151 in the insurance regulatory sandbox is approved in accordance with the provisions of this  
152 chapter.

153 (11) "Test" means to provide an innovative insurance product or service in accordance  
154 with the provisions of this chapter.

155 Section 3. Section 63G-2-305 is amended to read:

156 **63G-2-305. Protected records.**

157 The following records are protected if properly classified by a governmental entity:

158 (1) trade secrets as defined in Section 13-24-2 if the person submitting the trade secret  
159 has provided the governmental entity with the information specified in Section 63G-2-309;

160 (2) commercial information or nonindividual financial information obtained from a  
161 person if:

162 (a) disclosure of the information could reasonably be expected to result in unfair  
163 competitive injury to the person submitting the information or would impair the ability of the  
164 governmental entity to obtain necessary information in the future;

165 (b) the person submitting the information has a greater interest in prohibiting access  
166 than the public in obtaining access; and

167 (c) the person submitting the information has provided the governmental entity with  
168 the information specified in Section 63G-2-309;

169 (3) commercial or financial information acquired or prepared by a governmental entity  
170 to the extent that disclosure would lead to financial speculations in currencies, securities, or  
171 commodities that will interfere with a planned transaction by the governmental entity or cause  
172 substantial financial injury to the governmental entity or state economy;

173 (4) records, the disclosure of which could cause commercial injury to, or confer a  
174 competitive advantage upon a potential or actual competitor of, a commercial project entity as  
175 defined in Subsection 11-13-103(4);

176 (5) test questions and answers to be used in future license, certification, registration,  
177 employment, or academic examinations;

178 (6) records, the disclosure of which would impair governmental procurement  
179 proceedings or give an unfair advantage to any person proposing to enter into a contract or  
180 agreement with a governmental entity, except, subject to Subsections (1) and (2), that this  
181 Subsection (6) does not restrict the right of a person to have access to, after the contract or  
182 grant has been awarded and signed by all parties:

183 (a) a bid, proposal, application, or other information submitted to or by a governmental  
184 entity in response to:

185 (i) an invitation for bids;

186 (ii) a request for proposals;

187 (iii) a request for quotes;

188 (iv) a grant; or

189 (v) other similar document; or

190 (b) an unsolicited proposal, as defined in Section 63G-6a-712;

191 (7) information submitted to or by a governmental entity in response to a request for  
192 information, except, subject to Subsections (1) and (2), that this Subsection (7) does not restrict  
193 the right of a person to have access to the information, after:

194 (a) a contract directly relating to the subject of the request for information has been  
195 awarded and signed by all parties; or

196 (b) (i) a final determination is made not to enter into a contract that relates to the

197 subject of the request for information; and

198 (ii) at least two years have passed after the day on which the request for information is  
199 issued;

200 (8) records that would identify real property or the appraisal or estimated value of real  
201 or personal property, including intellectual property, under consideration for public acquisition  
202 before any rights to the property are acquired unless:

203 (a) public interest in obtaining access to the information is greater than or equal to the  
204 governmental entity's need to acquire the property on the best terms possible;

205 (b) the information has already been disclosed to persons not employed by or under a  
206 duty of confidentiality to the entity;

207 (c) in the case of records that would identify property, potential sellers of the described  
208 property have already learned of the governmental entity's plans to acquire the property;

209 (d) in the case of records that would identify the appraisal or estimated value of  
210 property, the potential sellers have already learned of the governmental entity's estimated value  
211 of the property; or

212 (e) the property under consideration for public acquisition is a single family residence  
213 and the governmental entity seeking to acquire the property has initiated negotiations to acquire  
214 the property as required under Section [78B-6-505](#);

215 (9) records prepared in contemplation of sale, exchange, lease, rental, or other  
216 compensated transaction of real or personal property including intellectual property, which, if  
217 disclosed prior to completion of the transaction, would reveal the appraisal or estimated value  
218 of the subject property, unless:

219 (a) the public interest in access is greater than or equal to the interests in restricting  
220 access, including the governmental entity's interest in maximizing the financial benefit of the  
221 transaction; or

222 (b) when prepared by or on behalf of a governmental entity, appraisals or estimates of  
223 the value of the subject property have already been disclosed to persons not employed by or  
224 under a duty of confidentiality to the entity;



225 (10) records created or maintained for civil, criminal, or administrative enforcement  
226 purposes or audit purposes, or for discipline, licensing, certification, or registration purposes, if  
227 release of the records:

228 (a) reasonably could be expected to interfere with investigations undertaken for  
229 enforcement, discipline, licensing, certification, or registration purposes;

230 (b) reasonably could be expected to interfere with audits, disciplinary, or enforcement  
231 proceedings;

232 (c) would create a danger of depriving a person of a right to a fair trial or impartial  
233 hearing;

234 (d) reasonably could be expected to disclose the identity of a source who is not  
235 generally known outside of government and, in the case of a record compiled in the course of  
236 an investigation, disclose information furnished by a source not generally known outside of  
237 government if disclosure would compromise the source; or

238 (e) reasonably could be expected to disclose investigative or audit techniques,  
239 procedures, policies, or orders not generally known outside of government if disclosure would  
240 interfere with enforcement or audit efforts;

241 (11) records the disclosure of which would jeopardize the life or safety of an  
242 individual;

243 (12) records the disclosure of which would jeopardize the security of governmental  
244 property, governmental programs, or governmental recordkeeping systems from damage, theft,  
245 or other appropriation or use contrary to law or public policy;

246 (13) records that, if disclosed, would jeopardize the security or safety of a correctional  
247 facility, or records relating to incarceration, treatment, probation, or parole, that would interfere  
248 with the control and supervision of an offender's incarceration, treatment, probation, or parole;

249 (14) records that, if disclosed, would reveal recommendations made to the Board of  
250 Pardons and Parole by an employee of or contractor for the Department of Corrections, the  
251 Board of Pardons and Parole, or the Department of Human Services that are based on the  
252 employee's or contractor's supervision, diagnosis, or treatment of any person within the board's

253 jurisdiction;

254 (15) records and audit workpapers that identify audit, collection, and operational  
255 procedures and methods used by the State Tax Commission, if disclosure would interfere with  
256 audits or collections;

257 (16) records of a governmental audit agency relating to an ongoing or planned audit  
258 until the final audit is released;

259 (17) records that are subject to the attorney client privilege;

260 (18) records prepared for or by an attorney, consultant, surety, indemnitor, insurer,  
261 employee, or agent of a governmental entity for, or in anticipation of, litigation or a judicial,  
262 quasi-judicial, or administrative proceeding;

263 (19) (a) (i) personal files of a state legislator, including personal correspondence to or  
264 from a member of the Legislature; and

265 (ii) notwithstanding Subsection (19)(a)(i), correspondence that gives notice of  
266 legislative action or policy may not be classified as protected under this section; and

267 (b) (i) an internal communication that is part of the deliberative process in connection  
268 with the preparation of legislation between:

269 (A) members of a legislative body;

270 (B) a member of a legislative body and a member of the legislative body's staff; or

271 (C) members of a legislative body's staff; and

272 (ii) notwithstanding Subsection (19)(b)(i), a communication that gives notice of  
273 legislative action or policy may not be classified as protected under this section;

274 (20) (a) records in the custody or control of the Office of Legislative Research and  
275 General Counsel, that, if disclosed, would reveal a particular legislator's contemplated  
276 legislation or contemplated course of action before the legislator has elected to support the  
277 legislation or course of action, or made the legislation or course of action public; and

278 (b) notwithstanding Subsection (20)(a), the form to request legislation submitted to the  
279 Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel is a public document unless a legislator  
280 asks that the records requesting the legislation be maintained as protected records until such

281 time as the legislator elects to make the legislation or course of action public;

282       (21) research requests from legislators to the Office of Legislative Research and  
283 General Counsel or the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst and research findings prepared  
284 in response to these requests;

285       (22) drafts, unless otherwise classified as public;

286       (23) records concerning a governmental entity's strategy about:

287       (a) collective bargaining; or  
288       (b) imminent or pending litigation;

289       (24) records of investigations of loss occurrences and analyses of loss occurrences that  
290 may be covered by the Risk Management Fund, the Employers' Reinsurance Fund, the  
291 Uninsured Employers' Fund, or similar divisions in other governmental entities;

292       (25) records, other than personnel evaluations, that contain a personal recommendation  
293 concerning an individual if disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of  
294 personal privacy, or disclosure is not in the public interest;

295       (26) records that reveal the location of historic, prehistoric, paleontological, or  
296 biological resources that if known would jeopardize the security of those resources or of  
297 valuable historic, scientific, educational, or cultural information;

298       (27) records of independent state agencies if the disclosure of the records would  
299 conflict with the fiduciary obligations of the agency;

300       (28) records of an institution within the state system of higher education defined in  
301 Section [53B-1-102](#) regarding tenure evaluations, appointments, applications for admissions,  
302 retention decisions, and promotions, which could be properly discussed in a meeting closed in  
303 accordance with Title 52, Chapter 4, Open and Public Meetings Act, provided that records of  
304 the final decisions about tenure, appointments, retention, promotions, or those students  
305 admitted, may not be classified as protected under this section;

306       (29) records of the governor's office, including budget recommendations, legislative  
307 proposals, and policy statements, that if disclosed would reveal the governor's contemplated  
308 policies or contemplated courses of action before the governor has implemented or rejected

309 those policies or courses of action or made them public;

310 (30) records of the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst relating to budget analysis,  
311 revenue estimates, and fiscal notes of proposed legislation before issuance of the final  
312 recommendations in these areas;

313 (31) records provided by the United States or by a government entity outside the state  
314 that are given to the governmental entity with a requirement that they be managed as protected  
315 records if the providing entity certifies that the record would not be subject to public disclosure  
316 if retained by it;

317 (32) transcripts, minutes, recordings, or reports of the closed portion of a meeting of a  
318 public body except as provided in Section [52-4-206](#);

319 (33) records that would reveal the contents of settlement negotiations but not including  
320 final settlements or empirical data to the extent that they are not otherwise exempt from  
321 disclosure;

322 (34) memoranda prepared by staff and used in the decision-making process by an  
323 administrative law judge, a member of the Board of Pardons and Parole, or a member of any  
324 other body charged by law with performing a quasi-judicial function;

325 (35) records that would reveal negotiations regarding assistance or incentives offered  
326 by or requested from a governmental entity for the purpose of encouraging a person to expand  
327 or locate a business in Utah, but only if disclosure would result in actual economic harm to the  
328 person or place the governmental entity at a competitive disadvantage, but this section may not  
329 be used to restrict access to a record evidencing a final contract;

330 (36) materials to which access must be limited for purposes of securing or maintaining  
331 the governmental entity's proprietary protection of intellectual property rights including patents,  
332 copyrights, and trade secrets;

333 (37) the name of a donor or a prospective donor to a governmental entity, including an  
334 institution within the state system of higher education defined in Section [53B-1-102](#), and other  
335 information concerning the donation that could reasonably be expected to reveal the identity of  
336 the donor, provided that:

- 337 (a) the donor requests anonymity in writing;
- 338 (b) any terms, conditions, restrictions, or privileges relating to the donation may not be
- 339 classified protected by the governmental entity under this Subsection (37); and
- 340 (c) except for an institution within the state system of higher education defined in
- 341 Section 53B-1-102, the governmental unit to which the donation is made is primarily engaged
- 342 in educational, charitable, or artistic endeavors, and has no regulatory or legislative authority
- 343 over the donor, a member of the donor's immediate family, or any entity owned or controlled
- 344 by the donor or the donor's immediate family;
- 345 (38) accident reports, except as provided in Sections 41-6a-404, 41-12a-202, and
- 346 73-18-13;
- 347 (39) a notification of workers' compensation insurance coverage described in Section
- 348 34A-2-205;
- 349 (40) (a) the following records of an institution within the state system of higher
- 350 education defined in Section 53B-1-102, which have been developed, discovered, disclosed to,
- 351 or received by or on behalf of faculty, staff, employees, or students of the institution:
- 352 (i) unpublished lecture notes;
- 353 (ii) unpublished notes, data, and information:
- 354 (A) relating to research; and
- 355 (B) of:
- 356 (I) the institution within the state system of higher education defined in Section
- 357 53B-1-102; or
- 358 (II) a sponsor of sponsored research;
- 359 (iii) unpublished manuscripts;
- 360 (iv) creative works in process;
- 361 (v) scholarly correspondence; and
- 362 (vi) confidential information contained in research proposals;
- 363 (b) Subsection (40)(a) may not be construed to prohibit disclosure of public
- 364 information required pursuant to Subsection 53B-16-302(2)(a) or (b); and

365 (c) Subsection (40)(a) may not be construed to affect the ownership of a record;  
366 (41) (a) records in the custody or control of the Office of Legislative Auditor General  
367 that would reveal the name of a particular legislator who requests a legislative audit prior to the  
368 date that audit is completed and made public; and  
369 (b) notwithstanding Subsection (41)(a), a request for a legislative audit submitted to the  
370 Office of the Legislative Auditor General is a public document unless the legislator asks that  
371 the records in the custody or control of the Office of Legislative Auditor General that would  
372 reveal the name of a particular legislator who requests a legislative audit be maintained as  
373 protected records until the audit is completed and made public;  
374 (42) records that provide detail as to the location of an explosive, including a map or  
375 other document that indicates the location of:  
376 (a) a production facility; or  
377 (b) a magazine;  
378 (43) information:  
379 (a) contained in the statewide database of the Division of Aging and Adult Services  
380 created by Section [62A-3-311.1](#); or  
381 (b) received or maintained in relation to the Identity Theft Reporting Information  
382 System (IRIS) established under Section [67-5-22](#);  
383 (44) information contained in the Management Information System and Licensing  
384 Information System described in Title 62A, Chapter 4a, Child and Family Services;  
385 (45) information regarding National Guard operations or activities in support of the  
386 National Guard's federal mission;  
387 (46) records provided by any pawn or secondhand business to a law enforcement  
388 agency or to the central database in compliance with Title 13, Chapter 32a, Pawnshop and  
389 Secondhand Merchandise Transaction Information Act;  
390 (47) information regarding food security, risk, and vulnerability assessments performed  
391 by the Department of Agriculture and Food;  
392 (48) except to the extent that the record is exempt from this chapter pursuant to Section

393 [63G-2-106](#), records related to an emergency plan or program, a copy of which is provided to or  
394 prepared or maintained by the Division of Emergency Management, and the disclosure of  
395 which would jeopardize:

396 (a) the safety of the general public; or

397 (b) the security of:

398 (i) governmental property;

399 (ii) governmental programs; or

400 (iii) the property of a private person who provides the Division of Emergency

401 Management information;

402 (49) records of the Department of Agriculture and Food that provides for the  
403 identification, tracing, or control of livestock diseases, including any program established under  
404 Title 4, Chapter 24, Utah Livestock Brand and Anti-Theft Act, or Title 4, Chapter 31, Control  
405 of Animal Disease;

406 (50) as provided in Section [26-39-501](#):

407 (a) information or records held by the Department of Health related to a complaint  
408 regarding a child care program or residential child care which the department is unable to  
409 substantiate; and

410 (b) information or records related to a complaint received by the Department of Health  
411 from an anonymous complainant regarding a child care program or residential child care;

412 (51) unless otherwise classified as public under Section [63G-2-301](#) and except as  
413 provided under Section [41-1a-116](#), an individual's home address, home telephone number, or  
414 personal mobile phone number, if:

415 (a) the individual is required to provide the information in order to comply with a law,  
416 ordinance, rule, or order of a government entity; and

417 (b) the subject of the record has a reasonable expectation that this information will be  
418 kept confidential due to:

419 (i) the nature of the law, ordinance, rule, or order; and

420 (ii) the individual complying with the law, ordinance, rule, or order;

421 (52) the portion of the following documents that contains a candidate's residential or  
422 mailing address, if the candidate provides to the filing officer another address or phone number  
423 where the candidate may be contacted:

424 (a) a declaration of candidacy, a nomination petition, or a certificate of nomination,  
425 described in Section 20A-9-201, 20A-9-202, 20A-9-203, 20A-9-404, 20A-9-405, 20A-9-408,  
426 20A-9-408.5, 20A-9-502, or 20A-9-601;

427 (b) an affidavit of impecuniosity, described in Section 20A-9-201; or

428 (c) a notice of intent to gather signatures for candidacy, described in Section  
429 20A-9-408;

430 (53) the name, home address, work addresses, and telephone numbers of an individual  
431 that is engaged in, or that provides goods or services for, medical or scientific research that is:

432 (a) conducted within the state system of higher education, as defined in Section  
433 53B-1-102; and

434 (b) conducted using animals;

435 (54) in accordance with Section 78A-12-203, any record of the Judicial Performance  
436 Evaluation Commission concerning an individual commissioner's vote on whether or not to  
437 recommend that the voters retain a judge including information disclosed under Subsection  
438 78A-12-203(5)(e);

439 (55) information collected and a report prepared by the Judicial Performance  
440 Evaluation Commission concerning a judge, unless Section 20A-7-702 or Title 78A, Chapter  
441 12, Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission Act, requires disclosure of, or makes public,  
442 the information or report;

443 (56) records contained in the Management Information System created in Section  
444 62A-4a-1003;

445 (57) records provided or received by the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office in  
446 furtherance of any contract or other agreement made in accordance with Section 63J-4-603;

447 (58) information requested by and provided to the 911 Division under Section  
448 63H-7a-302;



449 (59) in accordance with Section 73-10-33:

450 (a) a management plan for a water conveyance facility in the possession of the Division  
451 of Water Resources or the Board of Water Resources; or

452 (b) an outline of an emergency response plan in possession of the state or a county or  
453 municipality;

454 (60) the following records in the custody or control of the Office of Inspector General  
455 of Medicaid Services, created in Section 63A-13-201:

456 (a) records that would disclose information relating to allegations of personal  
457 misconduct, gross mismanagement, or illegal activity of a person if the information or  
458 allegation cannot be corroborated by the Office of Inspector General of Medicaid Services  
459 through other documents or evidence, and the records relating to the allegation are not relied  
460 upon by the Office of Inspector General of Medicaid Services in preparing a final investigation  
461 report or final audit report;

462 (b) records and audit workpapers to the extent they would disclose the identity of a  
463 person who, during the course of an investigation or audit, communicated the existence of any  
464 Medicaid fraud, waste, or abuse, or a violation or suspected violation of a law, rule, or  
465 regulation adopted under the laws of this state, a political subdivision of the state, or any  
466 recognized entity of the United States, if the information was disclosed on the condition that  
467 the identity of the person be protected;

468 (c) before the time that an investigation or audit is completed and the final  
469 investigation or final audit report is released, records or drafts circulated to a person who is not  
470 an employee or head of a governmental entity for the person's response or information;

471 (d) records that would disclose an outline or part of any investigation, audit survey  
472 plan, or audit program; or

473 (e) requests for an investigation or audit, if disclosure would risk circumvention of an  
474 investigation or audit;

475 (61) records that reveal methods used by the Office of Inspector General of Medicaid  
476 Services, the fraud unit, or the Department of Health, to discover Medicaid fraud, waste, or

477 abuse;

478 (62) information provided to the Department of Health or the Division of Occupational  
479 and Professional Licensing under Subsections 58-67-304(3) and (4) and Subsections  
480 58-68-304(3) and (4);

481 (63) a record described in Section 63G-12-210;

482 (64) captured plate data that is obtained through an automatic license plate reader  
483 system used by a governmental entity as authorized in Section 41-6a-2003;

484 (65) any record in the custody of the Utah Office for Victims of Crime relating to a  
485 victim, including:

486 (a) a victim's application or request for benefits;

487 (b) a victim's receipt or denial of benefits; and

488 (c) any administrative notes or records made or created for the purpose of, or used to,  
489 evaluate or communicate a victim's eligibility for or denial of benefits from the Crime Victim  
490 Reparations Fund;

491 (66) an audio or video recording created by a body-worn camera, as that term is  
492 defined in Section 77-7a-103, that records sound or images inside a hospital or health care  
493 facility as those terms are defined in Section 78B-3-403, inside a clinic of a health care  
494 provider, as that term is defined in Section 78B-3-403, or inside a human service program as  
495 that term is defined in Section 62A-2-101, except for recordings that:

496 (a) depict the commission of an alleged crime;

497 (b) record any encounter between a law enforcement officer and a person that results in  
498 death or bodily injury, or includes an instance when an officer fires a weapon;

499 (c) record any encounter that is the subject of a complaint or a legal proceeding against  
500 a law enforcement officer or law enforcement agency;

501 (d) contain an officer involved critical incident as defined in Subsection  
502 76-2-408(1)(f); or

503 (e) have been requested for reclassification as a public record by a subject or  
504 authorized agent of a subject featured in the recording;

505 (67) a record pertaining to the search process for a president of an institution of higher  
506 education described in Section 53B-2-102, except for application materials for a publicly  
507 announced finalist;

508 (68) an audio recording that is:

509 (a) produced by an audio recording device that is used in conjunction with a device or  
510 piece of equipment designed or intended for resuscitating an individual or for treating an  
511 individual with a life-threatening condition;

512 (b) produced during an emergency event when an individual employed to provide law  
513 enforcement, fire protection, paramedic, emergency medical, or other first responder service:

514 (i) is responding to an individual needing resuscitation or with a life-threatening  
515 condition; and

516 (ii) uses a device or piece of equipment designed or intended for resuscitating an  
517 individual or for treating an individual with a life-threatening condition; and

518 (c) intended and used for purposes of training emergency responders how to improve  
519 their response to an emergency situation;

520 (69) records submitted by or prepared in relation to an applicant seeking a  
521 recommendation by the Research and General Counsel Subcommittee, the Budget  
522 Subcommittee, or the Audit Subcommittee, established under Section 36-12-8, for an  
523 employment position with the Legislature;

524 (70) work papers as defined in Section 31A-2-204;

525 (71) a record made available to Adult Protective Services or a law enforcement agency  
526 under Section 61-1-206;

527 (72) a record submitted to the Insurance Department in accordance with Section  
528 31A-37-201 or 31A-22-653;

529 (73) a record described in Section 31A-37-503.

530 (74) any record created by the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing as  
531 a result of Subsection 58-37f-304(5) or 58-37f-702(2)(a)(ii);

532 (75) a record described in Section 72-16-306 that relates to the reporting of an injury

533 involving an amusement ride;

534 (76) except as provided in Subsection 63G-2-305.5(1), the signature of an individual  
535 on a political petition, or on a request to withdraw a signature from a political petition,  
536 including a petition or request described in the following titles:

537 (a) Title 10, Utah Municipal Code;

538 (b) Title 17, Counties;

539 (c) Title 17B, Limited Purpose Local Government Entities - Local Districts;

540 (d) Title 17D, Limited Purpose Local Government Entities - Other Entities; and

541 (e) Title 20A, Election Code;

542 (77) except as provided in Subsection 63G-2-305.5(2), the signature of an individual in  
543 a voter registration record;

544 (78) except as provided in Subsection 63G-2-305.5(3), any signature, other than a  
545 signature described in Subsection (76) or (77), in the custody of the lieutenant governor or a  
546 local political subdivision collected or held under, or in relation to, Title 20A, Election Code;

547 (79) a Form I-918 Supplement B certification as described in Title 77, Chapter 38, Part  
548 5, Victims Guidelines for Prosecutors Act;

549 (80) a record submitted to the Insurance Department under Subsection  
550 31A-47-103(1)(b); ~~and~~

551 (81) personal information, as defined in Section 63G-26-102, to the extent disclosure is  
552 prohibited under Section 63G-26-103[-]; and

553 (82) any part of an application described in Section 63N-16-201 that the Governor's  
554 Office of Economic Development determines is nonpublic, confidential information that if  
555 disclosed would result in actual economic harm to the applicant, but this Subsection (82) may  
556 not be used to restrict access to a record evidencing a final contract or approval decision.

557 Section 4. Section 63N-16-101 is enacted to read:

**CHAPTER 16. UTAH OFFICE OF REGULATORY RELIEF**

**Part 1. General Provisions**

**63N-16-101. Title.**

561 This chapter is known as the "Utah Office of Regulatory Relief."

562 Section 5. Section **63N-16-102** is enacted to read:

563 **63N-16-102. Definitions.**

564 As used in this chapter:

565 (1) "Advisory committee" means the General Regulatory Sandbox Program Advisory  
566 Committee created in Section [63N-16-104](#).

567 (2) "Applicable agency" means a department or agency of the state that by law  
568 regulates a business activity and persons engaged in such business activity, including the  
569 issuance of licenses or other types of authorization, which the office determines would  
570 otherwise regulate a sandbox participant.

571 (3) "Applicant" means a person that applies to participate in the regulatory sandbox.

572 (4) "Consumer" means a person that purchases or otherwise enters into a transaction or  
573 agreement to receive an offering pursuant to a demonstration by a sandbox participant.

574 (5) "Demonstrate" or "demonstration" means to temporarily provide an offering in  
575 accordance with the provisions of the regulatory sandbox program described in this chapter.

576 (6) "Director" means the director of the Utah Office of Regulatory Relief created in  
577 Section [63N-16-103](#).

578 (7) "Executive director" means the executive director of the Governor's Office of  
579 Economic Development.

580 (8) "Innovation" means the use or incorporation of a new idea, a new or emerging  
581 technology, or a new use of existing technology to address a problem, provide a benefit, or  
582 otherwise offer a product, production method, or service.

583 (9) "Innovative offering" means an offering that includes an innovation.

584 (10) (a) "Offering" means a product, production method, or service.

585 (b) "Offering" does not include a product, production method, or service that is  
586 governed by:

587 (i) Title 31A, Insurance Code, as determined by the insurance commissioner; or

588 (ii) Title 61, Chapter 1, Utah Uniform Securities Act.

589 (11) "Product" means a commercially distributed good that is:

590 (a) tangible personal property;

591 (b) the result of a production process; and

592 (c) passed through the distribution channel before consumption.

593 (12) "Production" means the method or process of creating or obtaining a good, which  
594 may include assembling, breeding, capturing, collecting, extracting, fabricating, farming,  
595 fishing, gathering, growing, harvesting, hunting, manufacturing, mining, processing, raising, or  
596 trapping a good.

597 (13) "Regulatory relief office" means the Utah Office of Regulatory Relief created in  
598 Section [63N-16-103](#).

599 (14) "Regulatory sandbox" means the General Regulatory Sandbox Program created in  
600 Section [63N-16-201](#), which allows a person to temporarily demonstrate an offering under a  
601 waiver or suspension of one or more state laws or regulations.

602 (15) "Sandbox participant" means a person whose application to participate in the  
603 regulatory sandbox is approved in accordance with the provisions of this chapter.

604 (16) "Service" means any commercial activity, duty, or labor performed for another  
605 person.

606 Section 6. Section **63N-16-103** is enacted to read:

607 **63N-16-103. Creation of regulatory relief office and appointment of director --**  
608 **Responsibilities of regulatory relief office.**

609 (1) There is created within the Governor's Office of Economic Development the Utah  
610 Office of Regulatory Relief.

611 (2) (a) The regulatory relief office shall be administered by a director.

612 (b) The director shall report to the executive director and may appoint staff subject to  
613 the approval of the executive director.

614 (3) The regulatory relief office shall:

615 (a) administer the provisions of this chapter;

616 (b) administer the regulatory sandbox program; and

617 (c) act as a liaison between private businesses and applicable agencies to identify state  
618 laws or regulations that could potentially be waived or suspended under the regulatory sandbox  
619 program.

620 (4) The regulatory relief office may:

621 (a) review state laws and regulations that may unnecessarily inhibit the creation and  
622 success of new companies or industries and provide recommendations to the governor and the  
623 Legislature on modifying such state laws and regulations;

624 (b) create a framework for analyzing the risk level to the health, safety, and financial  
625 well-being of consumers related to permanently removing or temporarily waiving laws and  
626 regulations inhibiting the creation or success of new and existing companies or industries;

627 (c) propose potential reciprocity agreements between states that use or are proposing to  
628 use similar regulatory sandbox programs as described in this chapter, Section [13-55-103](#), or  
629 Section [31A-47-103](#); and

630 (d) in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, and  
631 the provisions of this chapter, make rules regarding:

632 (i) administering the regulatory sandbox, including making rules regarding the  
633 application process and the reporting requirements of sandbox participants; and

634 (ii) cooperating and consulting with other agencies in the state that administer sandbox  
635 programs.

636 Section 7. Section **63N-16-104** is enacted to read:

637 **63N-16-104. Creation and duties of advisory committee.**

638 (1) There is created the General Regulatory Sandbox Program Advisory Committee.

639 (2) The advisory committee shall have 11 members as follows:

640 (a) six members appointed by the director who represent businesses interests and are  
641 selected from a variety of industry clusters;

642 (b) three members appointed by the director who represent state agencies that regulate  
643 businesses;

644 (c) one member of the Senate, appointed by the president of the Senate; and

645 (d) one member of the House of Representatives, appointed by the speaker of the  
646 House of Representatives.

647 (3) (a) Subject to Subsection (3)(b), members of the advisory committee who are not  
648 legislators shall be appointed to a four-year term.

649 (b) Notwithstanding the requirements of Subsection (3)(a), the director may adjust the  
650 length of terms of appointments and reappointments to the advisory committee so that  
651 approximately half of the advisory committee is appointed every two years.

652 (4) The director shall select a chair of the advisory committee on an annual basis.

653 (5) A majority of the advisory committee constitutes a quorum for the purpose of  
654 conducting advisory committee business, and the action of the majority of a quorum constitutes  
655 the action of the advisory committee.

656 (6) The advisory committee shall advise and make recommendations to the regulatory  
657 relief office as described in this chapter.

658 (7) The regulatory relief office shall provide administrative staff support for the  
659 advisory committee.

660 (8) (a) A member may not receive compensation or benefits for the member's service,  
661 but a member appointed under Subsection (2)(a) may receive per diem and travel expenses in  
662 accordance with:

663 (i) Sections [63A-3-106](#) and [63A-3-107](#); and

664 (ii) rules made by the Division of Finance pursuant to Sections [63A-3-106](#) and  
665 [63A-3-107](#).

666 (b) Compensation and expenses of a member who is a legislator are governed by  
667 Section [36-2-2](#) and Legislative Joint Rules, Title 5, Legislative Compensation and Expenses.

668 (9) Meetings of the advisory committee are not subject to Title 52, Chapter 4, Open  
669 and Public Meetings Act.

670 Section 8. Section **63N-16-105** is enacted to read:

671 **63N-16-105. Annual Report.**

672 (1) The executive director shall include in the annual report described in Section



673 63N-1-301 a written report from the director on the activities of the regulatory relief office,  
674 which report shall include:

675 (a) information regarding each participant in the regulatory sandbox created in Section  
676 63N-16-201, including which industries each participant represents and the anticipated or  
677 actual cost savings that each participant experienced;

678 (b) recommendations regarding any laws or regulations that should be permanently  
679 modified;

680 (c) information regarding outcomes for consumers; and

681 (d) recommendations for changes to the regulatory sandbox program or other duties of  
682 the regulatory relief office.

683 (2) By October 1 of each year, the executive director shall provide the written report  
684 from the director on the activities of the regulatory relief office described in Subsection (1) to  
685 the Business and Labor Interim Committee.

686 Section 9. Section **63N-16-201** is enacted to read:

687 **Part 2. General Regulatory Sandbox Program**

688 **63N-16-201. General Regulatory Sandbox Program -- Application requirements.**

689 (1) There is created in the regulatory relief office the General Regulatory Sandbox  
690 Program.

691 (2) In administering the regulatory sandbox, the regulatory relief office:

692 (a) shall consult with each applicable agency;

693 (b) shall establish a program to enable a person to obtain legal protections and limited  
694 access to the market in the state to demonstrate an innovative offering without obtaining a  
695 license or other authorization that might otherwise be required;

696 (c) may enter into agreements with or adopt the best practices of corresponding federal  
697 regulatory agencies or other states that are administering similar programs; and

698 (d) may consult with businesses in the state about existing or potential proposals for  
699 the regulatory sandbox.

700 (3) (a) An applicant for the regulatory sandbox may contact the regulatory relief office

701 to request a consultation regarding the regulatory sandbox before submitting an application.

702 (b) The regulatory relief office shall provide relevant information regarding the  
703 regulatory sandbox program, including informing an applicant whether it would be better to  
704 apply for the programs described in Section 13-55-103 or Section 31A-47-103.

705 (c) The regulatory relief office may provide assistance to an applicant in preparing an  
706 application for submission.

707 (4) An applicant for the regulatory sandbox shall provide to the regulatory relief office  
708 an application in a form prescribed by the regulatory relief office that:

709 (a) confirms the applicant is subject to the jurisdiction of the state;

710 (b) confirms the applicant has established a physical or virtual location in the state,  
711 from which the demonstration of an innovative offering will be developed and performed and  
712 where all required records, documents, and data will be maintained;

713 (c) contains relevant personal and contact information for the applicant, including legal  
714 names, addresses, telephone numbers, email addresses, website addresses, and other  
715 information required by the regulatory relief office;

716 (d) discloses criminal convictions of the applicant or other participating personnel, if  
717 any;

718 (e) contains a description of the innovative offering to be demonstrated, including  
719 statements regarding:

720 (i) how the offering is subject to licensing, legal prohibition, or other authorization  
721 requirements outside of the regulatory sandbox;

722 (ii) each law or regulation that the applicant seeks to have waived or suspended while  
723 participating in the regulatory sandbox program;

724 (iii) how the offering would benefit consumers;

725 (iv) how the offering is different from other offerings available in the state;

726 (v) what risks might exist for consumers who use or purchase the offering;

727 (vi) how participating in the regulatory sandbox would enable a successful  
728 demonstration of the offering;

729 (vii) a description of the proposed demonstration plan, including estimated time  
730 periods for beginning and ending the demonstration;

731 (viii) recognition that the applicant will be subject to all laws and regulations  
732 pertaining to the applicant's offering after conclusion of the demonstration; and

733 (ix) how the applicant will end the demonstration and protect consumers if the  
734 demonstration fails;

735 (f) lists each government agency, if any, that the applicant knows regulates the  
736 applicant's business; and

737 (g) provides any other required information as determined by the regulatory relief  
738 office.

739 (5) The regulatory relief office may collect an application fee from an applicant that is  
740 set in accordance with Section [63J-1-504](#).

741 (6) An applicant shall file a separate application for each innovative offering that the  
742 applicant wishes to demonstrate.

743 (7) After an application is filed, the regulatory relief office:

744 (a) shall classify the application and any related information provided by the applicant  
745 as a protected record in accordance with Subsection [63G-2-305](#)(82);

746 (b) consult with each applicable government agency that regulates the applicant's  
747 business regarding whether more information is needed from the applicant; and

748 (c) seek additional information from the applicant that the regulatory relief office  
749 determines is necessary.

750 (8) No later than five business days after the day on which a complete application is  
751 received by the regulatory relief office, the regulatory relief office shall:

752 (a) review the application and refer the application to each applicable government  
753 agency that regulates the applicant's business; and

754 (b) provide to the applicant:

755 (i) an acknowledgment of receipt of the application; and

756 (ii) the identity and contact information of each regulatory agency to which the

757 application has been referred for review.

758 (9) (a) Subject to Subsections (9)(c) and (9)(g), no later than 30 days after the day on  
759 which an applicable agency receives a complete application for review, the applicable agency  
760 shall provide a written report to the director of the applicable agency's findings.

761 (b) The report shall:

762 (i) describe any identifiable, likely, and significant harm to the health, safety, or  
763 financial well-being of consumers that the relevant law or regulation protects against; and

764 (ii) make a recommendation to the regulatory relief office that the applicant either be  
765 admitted or denied entrance into the regulatory sandbox.

766 (c) (i) The applicable agency may request an additional five business days to deliver  
767 the written report by providing notice to the director, which request shall automatically be  
768 granted.

769 (ii) The applicable agency may only request one extension per application.

770 (d) If the applicable agency recommends an applicant under this section be denied  
771 entrance into the regulatory sandbox, the written report shall include a description of the  
772 reasons for the recommendation, including why a temporary waiver or suspension of the  
773 relevant laws or regulations would potentially significantly harm the health, safety, or financial  
774 well-being of consumers or the public and the likelihood of such harm occurring.

775 (e) If the agency determines that the consumer's or public's health, safety, or financial  
776 well-being can be protected through less restrictive means than the existing relevant laws or  
777 regulations, then the applicable agency shall provide a recommendation of how that can be  
778 achieved.

779 (f) If an applicable agency fails to deliver a written report as described in this  
780 Subsection (9), the director shall assume that the applicable agency does not object to the  
781 temporary waiver or suspension of the relevant laws or regulations for an applicant seeking to  
782 participate in the regulatory sandbox.

783 (g) Notwithstanding any other provision of this section, an applicable agency may by  
784 written notice to the regulatory relief office:

785 (i) within the 30 days after the day on which the applicable agency receives a complete  
786 application for review, or within 35 days if an extension has been requested by the applicable  
787 agency, reject an application if the applicable agency determines, in the applicable agency's  
788 sole discretion, that the applicant's offering fails to comply with standards or specifications:

789 (A) required by federal law or regulation; or

790 (B) previously approved for use by a federal agency; or

791 (ii) reject an application preliminarily approved by the regulatory relief office, if the  
792 applicable agency:

793 (A) recommended rejection of the application in accordance with Subsection (9)(d) in  
794 the agency's written report; and

795 (B) provides in the written notice under this Subsection (9)(g), a description of the  
796 applicable agency's reasons why approval of the application would create a substantial risk of  
797 harm to the health or safety of the public, or create unreasonable expenses for taxpayers in the  
798 state.

799 (h) If an applicable agency rejects an application under Subsection (9)(g), the  
800 regulatory relief office may not approve the application.

801 (10) (a) Upon receiving a written report described in Subsection (9), the director shall  
802 provide the application and the written report to the advisory committee.

803 (b) The director may call the advisory committee to meet as needed, but not less than  
804 once per quarter if applications are available for review.

805 (c) After receiving and reviewing the application and each written report, the advisory  
806 committee shall provide to the director the advisory committee's recommendation as to whether  
807 or not the applicant should be admitted as a sandbox participant under this chapter.

808 (d) As part of the advisory committee's review of each written report, the advisory  
809 committee shall use the criteria required for an applicable agency as described in Subsection  
810 (9).

811 (11) (a) In reviewing an application and each applicable agency's written report, the  
812 regulatory relief office shall consult with each applicable agency and the advisory committee

813 before admitting an applicant into the regulatory sandbox.

814 (b) The consultation with each applicable agency and the consultation with the  
815 advisory committee may include seeking information about whether:

816 (i) the applicable agency has previously issued a license or other authorization to the  
817 applicant; and

818 (ii) the applicable agency has previously investigated, sanctioned, or pursued legal  
819 action against the applicant.

820 (12) In reviewing an application under this section, the regulatory relief office and each  
821 applicable agency shall consider whether a competitor to the applicant is or has been a sandbox  
822 participant and, if so, weigh that as a factor in favor of allowing the applicant to also become a  
823 sandbox participant.

824 (13) In reviewing an application under this section, the regulatory relief office shall  
825 consider whether:

826 (a) the applicant's plan will adequately protect consumers from potential harm  
827 identified by an applicable agency in the applicable agency's written report;

828 (b) the risk of harm to consumers is outweighed by the potential benefits to consumers  
829 from the applicant's participation in the regulatory sandbox; and

830 (c) certain state laws or regulations that regulate an offering should not be waived or  
831 suspended even if the applicant is approved as a sandbox participant, including applicable  
832 antifraud or disclosure provisions.

833 (14) (a) An applicant becomes a sandbox participant if the regulatory relief office  
834 approves the application for the regulatory sandbox and enters into a written agreement with  
835 the applicant describing the specific laws and regulations that are waived or suspended as part  
836 of participation in the regulatory sandbox.

837 (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of this chapter, the regulatory relief office may  
838 not enter into a written agreement with an applicant that waives or suspends a tax, fee, or  
839 charge that is administered by the State Tax Commission or that is described in Title 59,  
840 Revenue and Taxation.

841 (15) (a) The director may deny at the director's sole discretion any application  
842 submitted under this section for any reason, including if the director determines that the  
843 preponderance of evidence demonstrates that suspending or waiving enforcement of a law or  
844 regulation would cause a significant risk of harm to consumers or residents of the state.

845 (b) If the director denies an application submitted under this section, the regulatory  
846 relief office shall provide to the applicant a written description of the reasons for not allowing  
847 the applicant to be a sandbox participant.

848 (c) The denial of an application submitted under this section is not subject to:

849 (i) agency or judicial review; or

850 (ii) the provisions of Title 63G, Chapter 4, Administrative Procedures Act.

851 (16) The director shall deny an application for participation in the regulatory sandbox  
852 described by this section if:

853 (a) the director determines that the applicant should instead apply for the Regulatory  
854 Sandbox Program created in Section [13-55-103](#) for a financial product or service or the  
855 Insurance Regulatory Sandbox Program created in Section [31A-47-103](#) for an insurance  
856 product or service; or

857 (b) the applicant or any person who seeks to participate with the applicant in  
858 demonstrating an offering has been convicted, entered a plea of nolo contendere, or entered a  
859 plea of guilty or nolo contendere held in abeyance, for any crime involving significant theft,  
860 fraud, or dishonesty if the crime bears a significant relationship to the applicant's or other  
861 participant's ability to safely and competently participate in the regulatory sandbox program.

862 (17) When an applicant is approved for participation in the regulatory sandbox, the  
863 director may provide notice of the approval to competitors of the applicant and to the public.

864 Section 10. Section **63N-16-202** is enacted to read:

865 **63N-16-202. Scope of the regulatory sandbox.**

866 (1) If the regulatory relief office approves an application under this part, the sandbox  
867 participant has 12 months after the day on which the application was approved to demonstrate  
868 the offering described in the sandbox participant's application.

869           (2) An offering that is demonstrated within the regulatory sandbox is subject to the  
870 following:

871           (a) each consumer shall be a resident of the state; and

872           (b) no law or regulation may be waived or suspended if waiving or suspending the law  
873 or regulation would prevent a consumer from seeking restitution in the event that the consumer  
874 is harmed.

875           (3) This part does not restrict a sandbox participant who holds a license or other  
876 authorization in another jurisdiction from acting in accordance with that license or other  
877 authorization.

878           (4) A sandbox participant is deemed to possess an appropriate license or other  
879 authorization under the laws of the state for the purposes of any provision of federal law  
880 requiring licensure or other authorization by the state.

881           (5) Subject to Subsection (6):

882           (a) during the demonstration period, a sandbox participant is not subject to the  
883 enforcement of state laws or regulations identified in the written agreement between the  
884 regulatory relief office and the sandbox participant described in Subsection [63N-16-201](#)(14);

885           (b) a prosecutor may not file or pursue charges pertaining to a law or regulation  
886 identified in the written agreement between the regulatory relief office and the sandbox  
887 participant described in Subsection [63N-16-201](#)(14) that occurs during the demonstration  
888 period; and

889           (c) a state agency may not file or pursue any punitive action against a sandbox  
890 participant, including a fine or license suspension or revocation, for the violation of a law or  
891 regulation that:

892           (i) is identified as being waived or suspended in the written agreement between the  
893 regulatory relief office and the sandbox participant described in Subsection [63N-16-201](#)(14);  
894 and

895           (ii) occurs during the demonstration period.

896           (6) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, a sandbox participant does not



897 have immunity related to any criminal offense committed during the sandbox participant's  
898 participation in the regulatory sandbox.

899 (7) By written notice, the regulatory relief office may end a sandbox participant's  
900 participation in the regulatory sandbox at any time and for any reason, including if the director  
901 determines that a sandbox participant is not operating in good faith to bring an innovative  
902 offering to market.

903 (8) The regulatory relief office and the regulatory relief office's employees are not  
904 liable for any business losses or the recouping of application expenses or other expenses related  
905 to the regulatory sandbox, including for:

906 (a) denying an applicant's application to participate in the regulatory sandbox for any  
907 reason; or

908 (b) ending a sandbox participant's participation in the regulatory sandbox at any time  
909 and for any reason.

910 Section 11. Section **63N-16-203** is enacted to read:

911 **63N-16-203. Consumer protection for regulatory sandbox.**

912 (1) Before demonstrating an offering to a consumer, a sandbox participant shall  
913 disclose the following to the consumer:

914 (a) the name and contact information of the sandbox participant;

915 (b) that the offering is authorized pursuant to the regulatory sandbox and, if applicable,  
916 that the sandbox participant does not have a license or other authorization to provide an  
917 offering under state laws that regulate offerings outside of the regulatory sandbox;

918 (c) that the offering is undergoing testing and may not function as intended and may  
919 expose the consumer to certain risks as identified by the applicable agency's written report;

920 (d) that the provider of the offering is not immune from civil liability for any losses or  
921 damages caused by the offering;

922 (e) that the provider of the offering is not immune from criminal prosecution for  
923 violations of state law or regulations that are not suspended or waived as allowed by the  
924 regulatory sandbox;

925 (f) that the offering is a temporary demonstration that may be discontinued at the end  
926 of the demonstration period;

927 (g) the expected end date of the demonstration period; and

928 (h) that a consumer may contact the regulatory relief office and file a complaint  
929 regarding the offering being demonstrated and provide the regulatory relief office's telephone  
930 number and website address where a complaint may be filed.

931 (2) The disclosures required by Subsection (1) shall be provided to a consumer in a  
932 clear and conspicuous form and, for an Internet or application-based offering, a consumer shall  
933 acknowledge receipt of the disclosure before any transaction may be completed.

934 (3) The regulatory relief office may require that a sandbox participant make additional  
935 disclosures to a consumer.

936 Section 12. Section **63N-16-204** is enacted to read:

937 **63N-16-204. Requirements for exiting regulatory sandbox.**

938 (1) At least 30 days before the end of the 12-month regulatory sandbox demonstration  
939 period, a sandbox participant shall:

940 (a) notify the regulatory relief office that the sandbox participant will exit the  
941 regulatory sandbox and discontinue the sandbox participant's demonstration after the day on  
942 which the 12-month demonstration period ends; or

943 (b) seek an extension in accordance with Section [63N-16-205](#).

944 (2) Subject to Subsection (3), if the regulatory relief office does not receive notification  
945 as required by Subsection (1), the regulatory sandbox demonstration period ends at the end of  
946 the 12-month testing period.

947 (3) If a demonstration includes an offering that requires ongoing duties, the sandbox  
948 participant may continue to do so but will be subject to enforcement of the laws or regulations  
949 that were waived or suspended as part of the regulatory sandbox.

950 Section 13. Section **63N-16-205** is enacted to read:

951 **63N-16-205. Extensions.**

952 (1) Not later than 30 days before the end of the 12-month regulatory sandbox

953 demonstration period, a sandbox participant may request an extension of the regulatory  
954 sandbox demonstration period.

955 (2) The regulatory relief office shall grant or deny a request for an extension in  
956 accordance with Subsection (1) by the end of the 12-month regulatory sandbox testing period.

957 (3) The regulatory relief office may grant an extension in accordance with this section  
958 for not more than 12 months after the end of the regulatory sandbox demonstration period.

959 Section 14. Section **63N-16-206** is enacted to read:

960 **63N-16-206. Record keeping and reporting requirements.**

961 (1) A sandbox participant shall retain records, documents, and data produced in the  
962 ordinary course of business regarding an offering demonstrated in the regulatory sandbox.

963 (2) If a sandbox participant ceases to provide an offering before the end of a  
964 demonstration period, the sandbox participant shall notify the regulatory relief office and each  
965 applicable agency and report on actions taken by the sandbox participant to ensure consumers  
966 have not been harmed as a result.

967 (3) The regulatory relief office shall establish quarterly reporting requirements for a  
968 sandbox participant, including information about any consumer complaints.

969 (4) The regulatory relief office may request records, documents, and data from a  
970 sandbox participant and, upon the regulatory relief office's request, the sandbox participant  
971 shall make such records, documents, and data available for inspection by the regulatory relief  
972 office.

973 (5) (a) The sandbox participant shall notify the regulatory relief office and each  
974 applicable agency of any incidents that result in harm to the health, safety, or financial  
975 well-being of a consumer.

976 (b) If a sandbox participant fails to notify the regulatory relief office and each  
977 applicable agency of any incidents as described in Subsection (5)(a), or the regulatory relief  
978 office or an applicable agency has evidence that significant harm to a consumer has occurred,  
979 the regulatory relief office may immediately remove the sandbox participant from the  
980 regulatory sandbox.

981 (6) (a) No later than 30 days after the day on which a sandbox participant exits the  
982 regulatory sandbox, the sandbox participant shall submit a written report to the regulatory relief  
983 office and each applicable agency describing an overview of the sandbox participant's  
984 demonstration, including any:

985 (i) incidents of harm to consumers;

986 (ii) legal action filed against the participant as a result of the participant's  
987 demonstration; and

988 (iii) complaints filed with an applicable agency as a result of the participant's  
989 demonstration.

990 (b) No later than 30 days after the day on which an applicable agency receives the  
991 quarterly reporting described in Subsection (3) or a written report from a sandbox participant as  
992 described in Subsection (5)(a), the applicable agency shall provide a written report to the  
993 regulatory relief office on the demonstration that describes any statutory or regulatory reform  
994 the applicable agency recommends as a result of the demonstration.

995 (7) The regulatory relief office may remove a sandbox participant from the regulatory  
996 sandbox at any time if the regulatory relief office determines that a sandbox participant has  
997 engaged in, is engaging in, or is about to engage in any practice or transaction that is in  
998 violation of this chapter or that constitutes a violation of a law or regulation for which  
999 suspension or waiver has not been granted.

1000 Section 15. Section **63N-16-301** is enacted to read:

1001 **Part 3. Regulatory Relief Web Page**

1002 **63N-16-301. Regulatory relief web page.**

1003 (1) The regulatory relief office shall create and maintain on GOED's website a web  
1004 page that invites residents and businesses in the state to make suggestions regarding laws and  
1005 regulations that could be modified or eliminated to reduce the regulatory burden of residents  
1006 and businesses in the state.

1007 (2) On at least a quarterly basis, the regulatory relief office shall compile the results of  
1008 suggestions from the web page and provide a written report to the governor, the Business and

1009 Labor Interim Committee, and the Economic Development and Workforce Services Interim  
1010 Committee that describes the most common suggestions.

1011 (3) In creating the report described in Subsection (2), the regulatory relief office and  
1012 the advisory committee:

1013 (a) shall ensure that private information of residents and businesses that make  
1014 suggestions on the web page is not made public; and

1015 (b) may evaluate the suggestions and provide analysis and suggestions regarding which  
1016 state laws and regulations could be modified or eliminated to reduce the regulatory burden of  
1017 residents and businesses in the state while still protecting consumers.