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**RESIDENTIAL PICKETING PROHIBITION**

2021 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Ryan D. Wilcox**

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

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill creates the offense of targeted residential picketing.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ creates the offense of targeted residential picketing; and
- ▶ imposes a penalty.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:

**76-9-109**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **76-9-109** is enacted to read:

**76-9-109. Targeted residential picketing.**

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Picketing" means the stationing or posting of one or more individuals to apprise



28 the public, vocally or by standing or marching with signs, banners, sound amplification  
29 devices, or other means, of an opinion or a message.

30 (b) "Residence" means any single-family, duplex, or multi-family dwelling unit that is  
31 not being used as a targeted occupant's sole place of business or as a place of public meeting.

32 (c) "Targeted residential picketing" means picketing, with or without signs, that is  
33 specifically directed or focused toward a residence, or one or more occupants of the residence,  
34 and that takes place:

35 (i) on that portion of a sidewalk or street in front of the residence, in front of an  
36 adjoining residence, or on either side of the targeted residence; or

37 (ii) within 100 feet of the property line of the targeted residence.

38 (2) It is unlawful to engage in targeted residential picketing.

39 (3) This section does not apply to:

40 (a) an individual picketing at the individual's own residence;

41 (b) the picketing of a meeting place or assembly area commonly used to discuss  
42 subjects of general public interest; or

43 (c) general picketing that proceeds through residential neighborhoods or that proceeds  
44 past residences.

45 (4) Targeted residential picketing is a class B misdemeanor.