1	MINERAL LEASE DISTRIBUTION AMENDMENTS
2	2018 GENERAL SESSION
3	STATE OF UTAH
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7	LONG TITLE
8	General Description:
9	This bill modifies provisions related to the distribution of mineral lease funds.
10	Highlighted Provisions:
11	This bill:
12	<ul> <li>provides that each year the Division of Finance shall distribute an amount of federal</li> </ul>
13	mineral lease money to certain local government entities.
14	Money Appropriated in this Bill:
15	None
16	Other Special Clauses:
17	This bill provides a special effective date.
18	Utah Code Sections Affected:
19	AMENDS:
20	59-21-1, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapter 212
21	59-21-2, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2016, Chapters 183 and 184
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23	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
24	Section 1. Section <b>59-21-1</b> is amended to read:
25	59-21-1. Disposition of federal mineral lease money Priority to political
26	subdivisions impacted by mineral development Disposition of mineral bonus payments
27	Appropriation of money attributable to royalties from extraction of minerals on federal
28	land located within boundaries of Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument.
29	(1) Except as provided in Subsections (2) through (4), all money received from the

30	United States under the provisions of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act, 30 U.S.C. Sec. 181 et
31	seq., shall:
32	(a) be deposited in the Mineral Lease Account of the General Fund; and
33	(b) be appropriated by the Legislature giving priority to those subdivisions of the state
34	socially or economically impacted by development of minerals leased under the Mineral Lands
35	Leasing Act, for:
36	(i) planning;
37	(ii) construction and maintenance of public facilities; and
38	(iii) provision of public services.
39	(2) Seventy percent of money received from federal mineral lease bonus payments
40	shall be deposited into the Permanent Community Impact Fund and shall be used as provided
41	in Title 35A, Chapter 8, Part 3, Community Impact Alleviation.
42	(3) Thirty percent of money received from federal mineral lease bonus payments shall
43	be deposited in the Mineral Bonus Account created by Subsection 59-21-2(1) and appropriated
44	as provided in that subsection.
45	(4) (a) For purposes of this Subsection (4):
46	(i) the "boundaries of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument" means the
47	boundaries:
48	(A) established by Presidential Proclamation No. 6920, 61 Fed. Reg. 50,223 (1996);
49	and
50	(B) modified by:
51	(I) Pub. L. No. 105-335, 112 Stat. 3139; and
52	(II) Pub. L. No. 105-355, 112 Stat. 3247; and
53	(ii) a special service district, school district, or federal land is considered to be located
54	within the boundaries of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument if a portion of the
55	special service district, school district, or federal land is located within the boundaries
56	described in Subsection (4)(a)(i).
57	(b) Beginning on July 1, 1999, the Legislature shall appropriate, as provided in

58 Subsections (4)(c) through (g), money received from the United States that is attributable to 59 royalties from the extraction of minerals on federal land that, on September 18, 1996, was located within the boundaries of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. 60 61 (c) The Legislature shall annually appropriate 40% of the money described in Subsection (4)(b) to the [Department of Transportation] Division of Finance to be distributed 62 by the [Department of Transportation] Division of Finance to special service districts that are: 63 64 (i) established by counties under Title 17D, Chapter 1, Special Service District Act; (ii) socially or economically impacted by the development of minerals under the 65 66 Mineral Lands Leasing Act; and 67 (iii) located within the boundaries of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National 68 Monument. 69 (d) The [Department of Transportation] Division of Finance shall distribute the money 70 described in Subsection (4)(c) in amounts proportionate to the amount of federal mineral lease 71 money generated by the county in which a special service district is located. 72 (e) The Legislature shall annually appropriate 40% of the money described in 73 Subsection (4)(b) to the State Board of Education to be distributed equally to school districts 74 that are: (i) socially or economically impacted by the development of minerals under the 75 76 Mineral Lands Leasing Act: and 77 (ii) located within the boundaries of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National 78 Monument. 79 (f) The Legislature shall annually appropriate 2.25% of the money described in 80 Subsection (4)(b) to the Utah Geological Survey to facilitate the development of energy and 81 mineral resources in counties that are: 82 (i) socially or economically impacted by the development of minerals under the 83 Mineral Lands Leasing Act; and (ii) located within the boundaries of the Grand Staircase-Escalante National 84 85 Monument.

86	(g) Seventeen and three-fourths percent of the money described in Subsection (4)(b)
87	shall be deposited annually into the State School Fund established by Utah Constitution Article
88	X, Section 5.
89	Section 2. Section <b>59-21-2</b> is amended to read:
90	59-21-2. Mineral Bonus Account created Contents Use of Mineral Bonus
91	Account money Mineral Lease Account created Contents Appropriation of money
92	from Mineral Lease Account.
93	(1) (a) There is created a restricted account within the General Fund known as the
94	"Mineral Bonus Account."
95	(b) The Mineral Bonus Account consists of federal mineral lease bonus payments
96	deposited pursuant to Subsection 59-21-1(3).
97	(c) The Legislature shall make appropriations from the Mineral Bonus Account in
98	accordance with Section 35 of the Mineral Lands Leasing Act of 1920, 30 U.S.C. Sec. 191.
99	(d) The state treasurer shall:
100	(i) invest the money in the Mineral Bonus Account by following the procedures and
101	requirements of Title 51, Chapter 7, State Money Management Act; and
102	(ii) deposit all interest or other earnings derived from the account into the Mineral
103	Bonus Account.
104	(e) The Division of Finance shall, beginning on July 1, 2017, annually deposit 30% of
105	mineral lease bonus payments deposited under Subsection (1)(b) from the previous fiscal year
106	into the Wildland Fire Suppression Fund created in Section 65A-8-204, up to \$2,000,000 but
107	not to exceed 20% of the amount expended in the previous fiscal year from the Wildland Fire
108	Suppression Fund.
109	(2) (a) There is created a restricted account within the General Fund known as the
110	"Mineral Lease Account."
111	(b) The Mineral Lease Account consists of federal mineral lease money deposited
112	pursuant to Subsection 59-21-1(1).
113	(c) The Legislature shall make appropriations from the Mineral Lease Account as

114 provided in Subsection 59-21-1(1) and this Subsection (2). 115 (d) (i) Except as provided in Subsections (2)(d)(ii) and (iii), the Legislature shall 116 annually appropriate 32.5% of all deposits made to the Mineral Lease Account to the 117 Permanent Community Impact Fund established by Section 35A-8-303. (ii) For fiscal year 2016-17 only and from the amount required to be deposited under 118 119 Subsection (2)(d)(i), the Legislature shall appropriate \$26,000,000 of the deposits made to the 120 Mineral Lease Account to the Impacted Communities Transportation Development Restricted 121 Account established by Section 72-2-128. 122 (iii) For fiscal year 2017-18 only and from the amount required to be deposited under 123 Subsection (2)(d)(i), the Legislature shall appropriate \$27,000,000 of the deposits made to the Mineral Lease Account to the Impacted Communities Transportation Development Restricted 124 125 Account established by Section 72-2-128. 126 (e) The Legislature shall annually appropriate 2.25% of all deposits made to the Mineral Lease Account to the State Board of Education, to be used for education research and 127

- Mineral Lease Account to the State Board of Education, to be used for education research and experimentation in the use of staff and facilities designed to improve the quality of education in Utah.
- (f) The Legislature shall annually appropriate 2.25% of all deposits made to the Mineral Lease Account to the Utah Geological Survey, to be used for activities carried on by the survey having as a purpose the development and exploitation of natural resources in the state.
- (g) The Legislature shall annually appropriate 2.25% of all deposits made to the Mineral Lease Account to the Water Research Laboratory at Utah State University, to be used for activities carried on by the laboratory having as a purpose the development and exploitation of water resources in the state.
- (h) (i) The Legislature shall annually appropriate to the [Department of Transportation]

  Division of Finance 40% of all deposits made to the Mineral Lease Account to be distributed as provided in Subsection (2)(h)(ii) to:
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142	(B) special service districts established:
143	(I) by counties;
144	(II) under Title 17D, Chapter 1, Special Service District Act; and
145	(III) for the purpose of constructing, repairing, or maintaining roads; or
146	(C) special service districts established:
147	(I) by counties;
148	(II) under Title 17D, Chapter 1, Special Service District Act; and
149	(III) for other purposes authorized by statute.
150	(ii) The [Department of Transportation] Division of Finance shall allocate the funds
151	specified in Subsection (2)(h)(i):
152	(A) in amounts proportionate to the amount of mineral lease money generated by each
153	county; and
154	(B) to a county or special service district established by a county under Title 17D,
155	Chapter 1, Special Service District Act, as determined by the county legislative body.
156	(i) (i) The Legislature shall annually appropriate 5% of all deposits made to the
157	Mineral Lease Account to the Department of Workforce Services to be distributed to:
158	(A) special service districts established:
159	(I) by counties;
160	(II) under Title 17D, Chapter 1, Special Service District Act; and
161	(III) for the purpose of constructing, repairing, or maintaining roads; or
162	(B) special service districts established:
163	(I) by counties;
164	(II) under Title 17D, Chapter 1, Special Service District Act; and
165	(III) for other purposes authorized by statute.
166	(ii) The Department of Workforce Services may distribute the amounts described in
167	Subsection (2)(i)(i) only to special service districts established under Title 17D, Chapter 1,
168	Special Service District Act, by counties:
169	(A) of the third, fourth, fifth, or sixth class;

170	(B) in which 4.5% or less of the mineral lease money within the state is generated; and
171	(C) that are significantly socially or economically impacted as provided in Subsection
172	(2)(i)(iii) by the development of minerals under the Mineral Lands Leasing Act, 30 U.S.C. Sec.
173	181 et seq.
174	(iii) The significant social or economic impact required under Subsection (2)(i)(ii)(C)
175	shall be as a result of:
176	(A) the transportation within the county of hydrocarbons, including solid hydrocarbons
177	as defined in Section 59-5-101;
178	(B) the employment of persons residing within the county in hydrocarbon extraction,
179	including the extraction of solid hydrocarbons as defined in Section 59-5-101; or
180	(C) a combination of Subsections (2)(i)(iii)(A) and (B).
181	(iv) For purposes of distributing the appropriations under this Subsection (2)(i) to
182	special service districts established by counties under Title 17D, Chapter 1, Special Service
183	District Act, the Department of Workforce Services shall:
184	(A) (I) allocate 50% of the appropriations equally among the counties meeting the
185	requirements of Subsections (2)(i)(ii) and (iii); and
186	(II) allocate 50% of the appropriations based on the ratio that the population of each
187	county meeting the requirements of Subsections (2)(i)(ii) and (iii) bears to the total population
188	of all of the counties meeting the requirements of Subsections (2)(i)(ii) and (iii); and
189	(B) after making the allocations described in Subsection (2)(i)(iv)(A), distribute the
190	allocated revenues to special service districts established by the counties under Title 17D,
191	Chapter 1, Special Service District Act, as determined by the executive director of the
192	Department of Workforce Services after consulting with the county legislative bodies of the
193	counties meeting the requirements of Subsections (2)(i)(ii) and (iii).
194	(v) The executive director of the Department of Workforce Services:
195	(A) shall determine whether a county meets the requirements of Subsections (2)(i)(ii)
196	and (iii);
197	(B) shall distribute the appropriations under Subsection (2)(i)(i) to special service

districts established by counties under Title 17D, Chapter 1, Special Service District Act, that meet the requirements of Subsections (2)(i)(ii) and (iii); and

- (C) in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, may make rules:
- (I) providing a procedure for making the distributions under this Subsection (2)(i) to special service districts; and
  - (II) defining the term "population" for purposes of Subsection (2)(i)(iv).
- (j) (i) The Legislature shall annually make the following appropriations from the Mineral Lease Account:
- (A) an amount equal to 52 cents multiplied by the number of acres of school or institutional trust lands, lands owned by the Division of Parks and Recreation, and lands owned by the Division of Wildlife Resources that are not under an in lieu of taxes contract, to each county in which those lands are located;
- (B) to each county in which school or institutional trust lands are transferred to the federal government after December 31, 1992, an amount equal to the number of transferred acres in the county multiplied by a payment per acre equal to the difference between 52 cents per acre and the per acre payment made to that county in the most recent payment under the federal payment in lieu of taxes program, 31 U.S.C. Sec. 6901 et seq., unless the federal payment was equal to or exceeded the 52 cents per acre, in which case a payment under this Subsection (2)(j)(i)(B) may not be made for the transferred lands;
- (C) to each county in which federal lands, which are entitlement lands under the federal in lieu of taxes program, are transferred to the school or institutional trust, an amount equal to the number of transferred acres in the county multiplied by a payment per acre equal to the difference between the most recent per acre payment made under the federal payment in lieu of taxes program and 52 cents per acre, unless the federal payment was equal to or less than 52 cents per acre, in which case a payment under this Subsection (2)(j)(i)(C) may not be made for the transferred land; and
  - (D) to a county of the fifth or sixth class, an amount equal to the product of:

226	(I) \$1,000; and
227	(II) the number of residences described in Subsection (2)(j)(iv) that are located within
228	the county.
229	(ii) A county receiving money under Subsection (2)(j)(i) may, as determined by the
230	county legislative body, distribute the money or a portion of the money to:
231	(A) special service districts established by the county under Title 17D, Chapter 1,
232	Special Service District Act;
233	(B) school districts; or
234	(C) public institutions of higher education.
235	(iii) (A) Beginning in fiscal year 1994-95 and in each year after fiscal year 1994-95, the
236	Division of Finance shall increase or decrease the amounts per acre provided for in Subsections
237	(2)(j)(i)(A) through $(C)$ by the average annual change in the Consumer Price Index for all urban
238	consumers published by the Department of Labor.
239	(B) For fiscal years beginning on or after fiscal year 2001-02, the Division of Finance
240	shall increase or decrease the amount described in Subsection $(2)(j)(i)(D)(I)$ by the average
241	annual change in the Consumer Price Index for all urban consumers published by the
242	Department of Labor.
243	(iv) Residences for purposes of Subsection (2)(j)(i)(D)(II) are residences that are:
244	(A) owned by:
245	(I) the Division of Parks and Recreation; or
246	(II) the Division of Wildlife Resources;
247	(B) located on lands that are owned by:
248	(I) the Division of Parks and Recreation; or
249	(II) the Division of Wildlife Resources; and
250	(C) are not subject to taxation under:
251	(I) Chapter 2, Property Tax Act; or
252	(II) Chapter 4, Privilege Tax.
253	(k) The Legislature shall annually appropriate to the Permanent Community Impact

254	Fund all deposits remaining in the Mineral Lease Account after making the appropriations
255	provided for in Subsections (2)(d) through (j).
256	(3) (a) Each agency, board, institution of higher education, and political subdivision
257	receiving money under this chapter shall provide the Legislature, through the Office of the
258	Legislative Fiscal Analyst, with a complete accounting of the use of that money on an annual
259	basis.
260	(b) The accounting required under Subsection (3)(a) shall:
261	(i) include actual expenditures for the prior fiscal year, budgeted expenditures for the
262	current fiscal year, and planned expenditures for the following fiscal year; and
263	(ii) be reviewed by the Business, Economic Development, and Labor Appropriations
264	Subcommittee as part of its normal budgetary process under Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary
265	Procedures Act.
266	Section 3. Effective date.
267	This bill takes effect on July 1, 2018.