

# **S.J.R. 11, Master Study Resolution**

## **2008 General Session**

**(As modified and assigned by Legislative Management - see p. 16)**  
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### **Business and Labor**

1. Aggressive Marketing - to study practices related to consumer lending, including home equity loans. (Barrus)
2. Antidiscrimination Act Modifications - to study whether the Utah Antidiscrimination Act should be modified to include additional protected classes. (S. Clark)
3. Automotive Collections - to study restrictions on regulation of automotive collection activities (H.B. 147). (Hendrickson)
4. Bid Preference - to study bid preference concerning the Department of Labor's Office of Apprenticeship-approved apprenticeship programs and in-state contractors. (Brown)
5. Boards and Commissions - to study boards and commissions under the Department of Commerce, including how often they meet, their functionality, and funding. (Wiley)
6. Business Resources - to study and evaluate state programs providing resources to small and mid-size businesses including Business Resource Centers, Small Business Development Centers, Jobs Now, Custom Fit, Manufacturing Extension Partnership, and any other programs that may be identified, and review potential overlap in functions, performance measures, and use of state resources allocated to each. (Allen)
7. Certificate of Occupancy - to study certificate of occupancy requirements for residential structures. (Wiley)
8. Child Credit Records - to study a state program to enable child credit records to be frozen by their parents. (Hutchings)
9. Credit Card Security - to study financial responsibility for breaches of credit card security (H.B. 468). (Urquhart)
10. Credit or Debit Card Contracts - to study enacting a Credit Card or Debit Card Contracts Act (1st Sub. H.B. 308). (Harper)
12. Long Term Estate Regulation - to study the treatment of individual fractionalized long-term estates in securities and real estate regulation. (Froerer)
13. Minors Obtaining Alcohol - to study how minors are acquiring alcoholic beverages, and penalties for minors as well as those who supply them. (Oda)
14. Payroll Service Companies - to study issues related to payroll service companies raised as part of a 2007 study conducted by the Business and Labor Interim Committee. (Niederhauser)
15. Private Lands Privacy Act - to study the Texas Private Lands Privacy Act for potential implementation in Utah. (Peterson)
16. Risk Management - to study reinsurance as a risk management tool: what are the pros and cons of this approach for Utah? (Biskupski)

17. Uniform Limited Liability Company - to study adopting the Revised Uniform Limited Liability Company Act. (Hillyard)
18. Uniform Limited Partnership - to study adopting the Uniform Limited Partnership Act. (Hillyard)
19. Uniform Partnership - to study adopting the Uniform Partnership Act. (Hillyard)
20. Uniform Securities Act - to study and review the citations in the Utah Uniform Securities Act. (VanTassell)

## **Education**

21. Application of "civic center" provisions to Charter Schools - to study requiring charter schools to be subject to the "civic center" provisions of H.B. 332, Use of Public Schools by Community Organizations. (Stephenson)
23. Baccalaureate Programs in Schools - to study the effectiveness, value, and funding of international baccalaureate programs in public schools. (Stephenson)
24. Children's Savings Accounts - to study savings accounts and other policies that promote saving for college, homeownership, and retirement. (Jones)
25. Class Size - to study reducing public school class sizes. (Jones)
26. Curriculum Development - to study curriculum development in grades K-12 concerning natural resource development, and use its state-wide. (Mathis)
27. Deaf and Blind Education - to study recodifying Utah Schools for the Deaf and Blind statutes and revising their funding. (Sumsion)
28. Deaf and Blind School Operation - to study recodification, operation, and funding. (Sumsion)
29. Education for Blind Students - to study and evaluate ways to improve the education of blind students who have no other disabilities. (Stephenson)
30. Education Governance - to study issues related to education governance and funding. (Dougall)
31. Formative Assessment - to study formative assessment to inform instruction for timely targeted teaching in public education grades K-12. (Knudson)
33. Graduation Requirements - to study and review high school graduation requirements to determine whether changes should be made. (Moss)
34. High Need Students - to study high need students with disabilities. (Jones)
36. Parent Teacher Organizations - to study PTA's in the schools. (Dayton)
37. Private Takeover of Public Schools - to study the private takeover of academically bankrupt public schools. (Stephenson)
38. School Community Councils - to study whether the role of community councils should be enhanced and their involvement in schools enlarged. (Sumsion)
39. School District Construction Oversight - to study and review inspection reporting, plan review, structural engineering review, and the issuance of either a temporary or permanent certificate of occupancy. (Wiley)
40. School Districts - to study governance of school districts. (Moss)

- 41. School Lands - to study school land program administration. (Last)
- 42. Security at Institutions of Higher Education - to study preventing disruptions at institutions of higher education and enhancing campus security. (Bell)
- 43. Seismic Hazard Inventory - to study the Utah School Seismic Hazard Inventory (H.B. 162). ((Wiley)
- 44. State Board of Education Elections and Membership - to study whether to require that the membership of the State Board of Education be selected by partisan elections, and to consider modifications to State School Board membership. (Wimmer)
- 45. Teacher Licensure - to study teacher licensure, including configuration and renewal. (Menlove)
- 46. Teacher Loan Program - to study mortgage loans for new teachers (H.B. 85). (Hemingway)
- 47. Tooele Applied Technology Center - to study designating the Tooele County Applied Technology Center as a separate entity. (Menlove)
- 48. Utah High School Activities Association - to study the transparency and accountability of the Utah High School Activities Association. (Madsen)
- 49. Virtual Charter Schools - to study a formula for funding virtual charter schools to replace local property taxes not received by virtual charter schools (S.B. 2). (Stephenson)

## **Higher Education Applied Technology Governance**

- 22. Area Technical College Jurisdiction - to study shifting area technical college jurisdiction from the Board of Regents to a separate board. (Ferry)
- 32. Governance of Higher Education - to study the Governor's appointment authority related to the Commissioner of Higher Education and higher education institution boards of trustees, the authority of an institution of higher education's board of trustees to appoint an institution president, and whether to expand the membership of the State Board of Regents (1st Sub. H.B. 190). (Dougall)
- 35. Higher Education - to study issues related to higher education governance. (McIff)

## Government Operations

50. Campaign Finance Reporting - to study and evaluate the value of assessing an administrative fee for campaign finance reports. (Allen)
51. Disaster Recovery Funding - to study funding issues related to the Disaster Recovery Funding Act (Title 53, Chapter 2, Part 4). (Oda)
52. Election Code Changes - to study changes to election code law suggested by county clerks. (Knudson)
53. Election Law Clean Up - to study clean-up provisions suggested by the Lt. Governor's Office. (Donnelson)
54. Election Reforms - to study reforms to state election law (H.B. 175). (Hansen)
55. Election Results Audit - to study an independent audit of election results (H.B. 404). (Hansen)
56. Electronic State Reports - to study having most or all state-mandated and non-mandated reports produced by state agencies produced in electronic form, only to save on state paper costs. (Julie Fisher)
57. Ethics Reform - to study ethics reform, gifts, and campaign fund use. (Holdaway; Bird submitted general "ethics" request)
58. Ethics Study - to study gifts received by legislators who should be responsible for recording the receipt of gifts, complete transparency to the public, and the use of campaign funds, including whether they should only be used on expenses associated with a political campaign. (Mascaro; Bird submitted general "ethics" request)
59. Expired Gift Certificates - to study treating expired gift certificates as unclaimed property. (Hillyard)
60. Human Resources - to study revising the state Human Resources statutes. (D. Clark)
61. Legislative Ethics - to study and define "expenditure of campaign funds," "conflict of interest," and "legislative gifts." (Brown; Bird submitted general "ethics" request)
62. Legislative Ethics Reform - to study expenditure of campaign donations, promoting legislative action that is a financial conflict of interest, and investigating alleged ethics violations. (Allen; Bird submitted general "ethics" request)
63. Municipal Elections Equipment - to study utilizing electronic voting machines in municipal elections. (Knudson)
64. Neutrality of Poll Workers - to study ways to ensure that poll workers do not display an affiliation with any candidate, political party, political issue, corporation, or advocacy organization (H.B. 338). (Donnelson, Chavez-Houck)
65. Ombudsman - to study ways to better inform, investigate, and mediate to assist citizens and agencies to resolve disputes. (Aagard)
66. Open and Public Meetings Act - to study coordinating GRAMA with the Open and Public Meetings Act. (Donnelson)
67. Presidential Election Compact - to study a compact agreement among the states to elect the U.S. President by national popular vote (H.B. 283). (Hansen)
68. Public Notices on the Web - to study a public notice website for legal and all other government notices. (Stowell)

- 69. Special District Elections - to study placing special district elections on the same ballot as regular elections. (Aagard)
- 70. State Lands Acquisition - to study establishing a State Lands Acquisition Agency to purchase land for public purposes. (Curtis)
- 71. State Per Diem - to study standardized per diem requirements for all state agencies. (Donnelson)
- 72. Voter Registration - to study election day voter registration (H.B. 317). (Hansen)

## **Health and Human Services**

- 75. Aging and Disability Care and Supports - to study and determine the most effective balance between proactive and preventive supports, including acute care, in meeting needs in the aging and disability populations. (Buttars)
- 76. Aging and Disability Populations - to study the existing and potential demand and cost of facility-based care vs. community-based supports for people with disabilities and the aging population. (McCoy)
- 77. Anesthesiologist Assistants - to study the licensing of anesthesiologist assistants. (S. Clark)
- 79. Authorization for Autopsy - to study the implications of providing that a majority of family members who desire an autopsy may override an order of the next of kin that an autopsy not take place (UCA Subsection 26-4-24(1)(c)). (Barrus)
- 80. Autism - to study the costs and impact of autism on Utah children. (Ray)
- 81. Barriers to Medicaid Participation - to study the asset test and other barriers of Medicaid participation, the pros, cons and costs to the state of removing the asset test, and similar barriers to health care coverage. (Holdaway)
- 82. Billing Practices - to study issues related to hospital billing practices. (Wiley)
- 83. Children's Health - to study the feasibility of establishing a medical home for all children with chronic medical and mental health conditions in Utah. (Ray)
- 84. Community-based Support Structure - to study the community-based support structure: how the state can develop the community infrastructure to support individuals with disabilities and the aging population in an effective manner, and how the state can attract and retain qualified direct care staff to support persons with disabilities and the elderly in the community. (Neuenschwander)
- 85. Comprehensive Care Coordination - to study what amount of reimbursement, training, and education on best practices would be required for primary health care providers to provide comprehensive care coordination within Medicaid. (Bell)
- 86. Contract Provider Pay - to study contract provider pay in the Department of Health and Human Services. (Newbold)
- 87. Culturally and Linguistically Appropriate Services (CLAS) - to study the extent to which the state's health care delivery systems meet the national CLAS standards and current proposed efforts to meet those standards. (Chavez-Houck)
- 88. Death Certificate Procedures - to study data and form requirements of custodial

funeral directors and physicians related to processing death certificates (S.B. 175). (Greiner)

89. Disability Standards - to study uniformity of disability standards adopted by the state of Utah and enforcement of standards not adopted by the state. (Wiley)

90. Drug Overdose and DUI Reporting and Controlled Substances Monitoring - to study the feasibility and impact of requiring hospitals to report admissions for drug overdoses to the Department of Health and to the prescribing health care practitioner; creating a process for developing better practice protocols for prescribing controlled substances and monitoring patient use; and exploring the feasibility of having law enforcement or the courts report arrests or convictions for driving under the influence of a prescribed controlled substance to the health care practitioner who prescribed the controlled substance. (Stephenson)

91. Drug Testing - to study whether welfare recipients should be required to submit to random drug tests. (Stowell)

92. EMS Paramedic Program - to study needs and necessity, and agency expansion. (Ray)

93. Health Care - to study issues related to health care. (Mayne)

94. Health Care for Underserved and Underinsured - to study access to comprehensive primary health care for the medically underserved and underinsured, and the role of community health care centers in expanding cost-effective care and providing a medical home. (Lockhart)

95. Health Disparities - to study issues related to health disparities: review problems and solutions. (Litvack)

96. Health Plan Exemption from Selected Requirements - to study allowing insurers to offer health insurance coverage to uninsurable individuals that is exempt from certain mandates (1st Sub. H.B. 491). (Hutchings)

97. Identifying Support Animals - to study an identification scheme for emotional support animals. (McCoy)

98. Insurance Parity - to study prosthetic Limb Health Insurance Parity (H.B. 108). (Litvack)

99. Long-term Care Demographic Shifts - to study how changing demographic factors, including an increasing aging population, influence the need for long-term care change over the lifespan, and how Utah will confront these changes. (Cosgrove)

100. Medicaid Assistance and Managed Care - to study providing managed care, chronic care management, and other services to Medicaid clients and CHIP recipients (S.B. 133). (Bell)

101. Medicaid Malpractice - to study Medicaid malpractice reform. (Urquhart)

102. Medical Examiner's Office - to study the adequacy of funding and the feasibility of establishing regional facilities. (Ray)

103. Nursing Homes - to study a Medicare moratorium, reimbursement, and Medicaid beds. (Christensen)

104. Obesity - to study expanding obesity prevention programs in Gold Medal Schools and the role of "Utah Partnership for a Healthy Weight." (Ray)

105. Parent and Custody Training - to study training received by custody evaluators, special masters, and parent coordinators to perform their duties, and the amount of fees that are charged to the parties involved. (Cosgrove)

106. Patient Safety - to study the role of government in addressing issues related to

patient safety in Utah's health care facilities. (Ray)

107. Preferred Drug List - to study preferred drug lists: successes, failures, and options. (Christensen)

108. Prescription Licensure - to study prescription licensure of psychologists. (S. Clark)

109. Prescription Overdose - to study the impact of unintended overdoses from prescription drugs. (Ray)

110. Respite Care - to study respite care for persons on the Disability Waiting List. (Menlove)

111. Sexually Transmitted Disease Rate - to study Utah's dramatically increasing rate and how to best educate, prevent, and ensure treatment for those who are infected. (Ray)

112. Spay and Neuter Fees - to study charging fees for unneutered cats and dogs sold in pet stores, with fees deposited into the Cat and Dog Community Spay and Neuter Program Restricted Account. (Stowell)

113. State Hospital - to study and evaluate the possible privatization of the State Hospital by July 1, 2009, including issuing requests for information from interested private providers and hiring a private consultant, to determine whether a private provider could at funding levels authorized to the State Hospital in fiscal year 2009:

a. operate and manage the State Hospital at its current location:

i. while maintaining or improving upon the services and quality of care currently provided at the State Hospital; and

ii. implementing the applicable recommendations included in the Performance Audit of the Utah State Hospital performed by the Office of the Utah Legislative Auditor General, dated January 2008;

b. demolish the Medical Services Building;

c. finance, design, and construct:

i. a new Medical Services Building; and

ii. a new Pediatric Treatment Facility;

d. convert 24 beds in the Rampton Complex to forensic beds; and

e. pay transition costs of a private entity taking over the operation and management of the State Hospital. (Killpack; Jones submitted general "Privatization of State Hospital" request)

114. Statewide Standards for Health Care Interpreters - to study requiring the Department of Health to evaluate the effectiveness of health care interpreter services in the state (1st Sub. H.B. 428). (Chavez-Houck)

115. Telepharmacy - to study defining "telepharmacy" (S.B. 291). (Killpack)

116. Therapy for Sexually Transmitted Diseases - to study expedited partner therapy for sexually transmitted diseases (S.B. 289). (McCoy)

117. Trauma Counseling for Parents - to study trauma counseling for parents whose children are removed from the home by the Division of Child and Family Services. (Urquhart)

118. Treatment Program Availability - to study ways to increase the availability of substance abuse and mental health treatment programs. (Moss)

119. Utah Adoption Code - to study Utah's adoption code and the Utah Termination of Parental Rights Act to ascertain whether it properly protects the rights of unwed fathers and parents from minority backgrounds, and whether it complies with federal and state constitutional

law regarding notice as recently interpreted by United States Supreme Court cases. (Allen)

120. Vaccinations - to study reducing health care costs by increasing childhood vaccinations for preventive diseases and increasing public awareness of the health benefits of vaccinations to the general public. (Ray)

## **Immigration**

124. Legal Standing - to study the legal standing of children and illegal immigrants. (Anderson)

132. Immigration - to study issues related to immigration. (Mayne)

## **Judiciary**

74. Adoption Law Changes - to study modifying current adoption law to remove restrictions on cohabitating adults and assess whether the current law impedes adoptions and foster care placements (H.B. 318). (Chavez-Houck)

121. Co-parenting - to study issues related to co-parenting agreements. (McCoy)

122. DUI Court Programs - to study special DUI court programs, including viable sanctions and incentives to encourage participation in special DUI court programs. (Dee)

123. Juvenile Services - to study youth services at the Tooele County Juvenile Receiving Center. (Menlove)

125. Physician Liability - to study requiring physicians to be liable for drug addiction resulting from their prescribing schedule 2 drugs (Stephenson amendment to H.B. 119). (Stephenson)

126. Protective Orders - to study penalties for inducing a breach of a protective order. (McCoy)

127. Uniform Probate Code - to study changes to the Uniform Probate Code recommended by the Uniform Law Commission. (Hillyard)

128. Wrongful Death Designee - to study and define the term "wrongful death designee" (S.B. 73). (McCoy)

## **Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice**

- 129. Citation Quotas - to study a prohibition on citation quotas (H.B. 264). (Hansen)
- 130. Controlled Substances - to study issues related to controlled substances, including SUDA controls (H.B. 267). (Hansen)
- 131. Illegal Immigrant Crime Statistics - to study statistics for crimes committed by undocumented immigrants vs. the general population, and compare vehicular accident rates. (Sandstrom)
- 133. Jail Contracting - to study jail reimbursement, jail contracting, and private contracting. (Noel)
- 134. Maintenance of Sex Offender Registry - to study agencies that may input offenders into the sex offender registry. (Fowlke)
- 135. Penalties for Offenses Committed in the Presence of a Child - to study ways to structure penalties for committing violent offenses in the presence of a child, including creating a separate criminal offense or increasing the level of an offense if it is committed in the presence of a child, and imposing responsibility for the costs of child counseling. (Janice Fisher)
- 136. Sex Offender Registry Issues - to study appropriate inclusions and exclusions related to the Sex Offender Registry. (McIff)
- 167. Emergency Communication Systems - to study the emergency radio communications system to determine ways to meet the 2013 federal guidelines for Narrow Band Radio Systems. (Dee)

## **Natural Resources, Agriculture and Environment**

- 78. Asbestos Abatement - to study asbestos abatement requirements and standards. (Wiley)
- 137. Bison Population Issues - to study ways to address excess bison in the Henry Mountains and habitat damage. (Stowell)
- 138. Division of Water Rights Operations - to study Division of Water Rights issues, including the duties and powers of the State Engineer; whether there should be a policy board within the division; administrative orders issued by the State Engineer and the division; the process for appealing the State Engineer's water rights decisions; potential need for an administrative law judge; potential need for an ombudsman; the adjudicative process for reviewing existing water rights; and whether the water rights forfeiture process should be modified. (Stowell)
- 139. Education Funding Source - to study whether the money to fund education projects administered by the Department of Agriculture and Food should be paid for with education funds. (Stowell)
- 140. Elk and Bison and Wildlife Board Issues - to study the duties and makeup of the Wildlife Board, the damage to fences by wildlife, the number of elk and bison compared to the number being counted by the Division of Wildlife Resources, mitigation permits, and other elk

and bison issues. (Stowell)

141. Fire Issues - to study funding and other fire issues as outlined in S.B. 251. (Stowell)

142. Fish Hatcheries - to study both private and state-owned fish hatcheries, the effect of state-owned fish hatcheries on private hatcheries, and the markets available to private hatcheries in the state system and other markets. (Stowell)

143. Great Salt Lake Commission - to study the formation of a commission to govern the Great Salt Lake to address water issues, including water quality standards and mercury. (Fife)

144. Groundwater Aquifers - to study Utah's groundwater aquifers, where they are, where they flow, etc. (Davis)

145. Jordan River Recreation - to study enhanced recreational opportunities on the Jordan River through Salt Lake County, what changes and improvements would be needed, and what tributaries could be included. (Hutchings)

146. Land Use Development and Management Act - to study the Utah Land Use Development and Management Act, its history, and potential changes. (Morgan)

147. Natural Resources Statutes - to study creating a natural resources title in the Utah Code and recodifying natural resources-related chapters left in Title 63. (Barrus)

148. Nutrient Impact on Water - to study the impact of nutrient pollution on Utah's waters. (Fife)

149. Recycling Fees for Malt Beverages - to study issues related to malt beverage recycling fees (H.B. 469). (Sandstrom)

150. State Recycling - to study requiring state agencies, state departments, schools, and charter schools in counties of the first and second class to recycle and to have a recycling program. (Cosgrove)

151. Underground Storage Tank Program - to study any needed revisions to the Underground Storage Tank program in the wake of events surrounding a gasoline leak in Gunnison. (Fife)

152. Water Quality Board Permits and Membership - to study the need for legislation authorizing the Water Quality Board to issue permits and to add a board member representing local health departments similar to the provisions included in H.B. 222, Water Quality Board Amendments. (Fife)

153. Water Rights of Piute Indian Tribe - to study whether the water rights of the Indian Peaks Band of the Piute Indian Tribe, granted in 1915, is a valid right and can be used today on their land in Iron County. (Stowell)

154. Water Settlement - to study issues related to the Piute Water Rights Settlement. (Stowell)

155. Wildland Urban Interface - to study the administrative adoption of a Wildland Urban Interface Code. (Stowell)

## **Political Subdivisions**

156. County Surveyors - to study issues related to county surveyors (S.B. 129 and S.B. 158). (VanTassell)
157. Disaster Fund Participation - to study whether local districts and special service districts should be authorized to participate in the state's disaster funding program (Title 53, Chapter 2, Part 4). (Oda)
158. Health Department Funding - to study allowing counties to increase their mill levy to fund county health departments or other means to increase county health department funding. (S. Clark)
159. Local Regulation of State Land Development - to study whether the Department of Transportation, the School and Institutional Trust Lands Administration, and other state agencies who acquire or develop land should be required to abide by local city and county ordinances or the wishes of the county legislative body or the city mayor and council. (Stowell)
160. Manufactured Housing - to study manufactured and mobile home parks preservation. (Mayne)
161. New Entities and Boundary Changes - to study certifying and recording documents related to newly created entities and changes to entity boundaries (H.B. 447). (Holdaway)
162. Residential Construction and Affordable Housing - to study the cost of municipal land use and construction regulation on residential construction and affordable housing. (Madsen)
163. Riparian Overlay Zones - to study whether cities should be allowed to put riparian overlay zones on streams or creeks which are used as storm sewers, and where untreated run-off water is channeled. (Garn)
164. Zoning and Housing Development - to study ways for the state to encourage zoning which invites the development of a wide range of housing choices. (Herrod)

## **Public Utilities and Technology**

165. 211 System - to study statewide implementation of the 211 phone system for citizen access to government information and the dissemination of information to citizens during emergencies. (Hutchings)
166. Alternative Energy - to study the alternative energy issues identified in S.B. 169. (Stowell)
168. Energy Efficiency - to study electricity demand reductions and energy efficiency incentives. (McCoy)
169. Energy Incentives - to study solar energy development incentives. (McCoy)
170. Merging Informational Numbers - to study the merging of \*11 and 511 informational, non-emergency numbers. (Niederhauser)
171. Power Generation Sources - to study and identify, map and maintain in the State Geographic Information Database the areas in the state with economically feasible electrical

power generation from renewable, traditional, and other sources, and research the cost of developing power generation from each source (S.B. 169). (Barrus)

172. Sewage Treatment Systems - to study types of on-site sewage treatment systems, and whether to allow a few demonstration projects utilizing biosystems in residential settings. (Wiley)

173. State Trademarks in E-Commerce - to study the legitimate use of state trademarks in e-commerce. (Urquhart)

174. Underground Sewage Facilities - to study methods of locating underground sewage facilities, who should locate them, and whether existing or only new facilities should be located (1st Sub. S.B. 127). (Jenkins; Greiner submitted general "S.B. 127" request)

175. Utilities in Mobile Home Parks - to study providing utility services to mobile home park residents, and determining responsibility for improvements (H.B. 335). (Holdaway)

## **Revenue and Taxation**

176. Cable Company Assessment - to study central assessment of cable companies (H.B. 367). (Harper)

177. Capital Outlay - to study issues related to capital outlay equalization. (McIff)

178. Corporate and Income Tax Credits - to study apportionment of corporate and individual income tax credits. (Niederhauser)

179. Deduction for College Expenses - to study tax deductions for college expenses, including deductions for payment of tuition. (Stephenson)

180. Determining Property Value - to study the best method for determining the value of property under the property tax (H.J.R. 14). (Froerer)

181. Energy Efficient Residences - to study tax credits for energy efficient residences (H.B. 199). (Hunsaker)

182. Exemption for Civic Organizations - to study a property tax exemption for non-profit fraternal civic organizations. (Litvack)

183. Military Retired Pay - to study a tax credit for military retired pay (H.B. 158). (Mascaro, Stowell)

184. Pass-Through Entities - to study the taxation of pass-through entities. (Niederhauser)

185. Property Tax Residential Exemption - to study extending the residential exemption to more than one acre of land (H.B. 155). (Froerer)

186. Property Taxes - to study issues related to property taxes. (Julie Fisher)

187. Revenue and Taxation - to study revenue and taxation issues. (Dougall)

188. Sales Tax on Food - to study reducing the state sales and use tax on food (H.B. 304). (Wiley)

189. Severance Tax Fund - to study placing severance tax revenues in a permanent trust fund. (Stephenson)

190. Tax Commission Penalties - to study penalties related to a tax, fee, or charge administered by the State Tax Commission. (Niederhauser)

191. Tax Commission Taxes, Fees, and Charges - to study the administration, collection, and enforcement of taxes, fees, or charges by the State Tax Commission (S.B. 233). (Niederhauser)

192. Tax Credits for Capital Investments - to study issues related to tax credits for manufacturing capital investments. (Dee)

193. Tax on Oil Shale and Tar Sands - to study the severance tax on oil shale and tar sands after the current exemption expires. (Valentine)

194. Tax on Social Security - to study whether Utah taxes Social Security income, and if so, whether the Utah Income Tax on Social Security income may be eliminated. (Mascaro)

195. Tax Relief - to study issues related to property tax relief (H.B. 391 and 1st Sub. H.B. 391). (Harper)

196. Taxpayer Advocate Program - to study the implementation of a taxpayer advocate program (H.B. 180). (Grover)

## **Retirement and Independent Entities**

197. Benefits for In-Session Employees - to study providing retirement benefits to sergeants-at-arms and pages to the House and Senate who have served a certain number of years. (Stephenson)

198. Divestment of Retirement Funds - to study divestment of retirement funds from Iran, with the report limited to how much money is being invested, and also study voluntary efforts between the Legislature and the Governor. (Julie Fisher)

199. Independent Entities - to study whether independent entities are competing with the private sector and whether actions of independent entities go beyond what state statute has authorized. (Frank)

200. Independent Entity - to study issues related to independent entities. (Dougall)

201. Restricting Retirement Investment in Sudan - to study ensuring that Utah State Retirement Investment Fund monies are not invested in any business operations with companies that have certain business operations with the Khartoum government of the Republic of the Sudan, which is perpetuating the conflict in Darfur (H.B. 138). (Litvack, King)

202. Retirement - to study retirement issues. (Dougall)

203. Retirement Benefits - to study retirement benefits for law enforcement, fire, and public service employees (H.B. 328). (Hansen)

204. Spousal Election - to study retirement issues related to spousal election (H.B. 94). (Shurtliff)

## Transportation

205. Accident and Injury Prevention - to study reducing the number of teen motor vehicle accidents. (Ray)
206. Car Insurance Renewal Rate - to study the car insurance renewal rate by persons holding driver privilege cards. (Sandstrom)
207. Driver Training for Teens - to study a pilot program to provide additional driver training for teens after they are licensed. (Mascaro)
208. License Plate Readers - to study the installation of license plate readers on enforcement vehicles and bridge structures located on Utah's interstate freeway systems. (Wiley)
209. License Plates - to study issues related to special group license plates. (Kiser, Dunnigan)
210. Loss of Driving Privileges - to study revoking driver license privileges for underage drinking. (McCoy)
211. Multi-purpose Vehicles - to study multi-purpose vehicles and road use. (Jenkins)
212. Peak Traffic Congestion Pricing - to study implementing congestion pricing during peak traffic periods on main congested highways and interstates, and the concept of a diesel tax surcharge to impose a fee in lieu of per-trip pricing under certain circumstances. (Stephenson)
213. Penalty for Distracted Driving - to study enhancing the penalty for distracted driving. (Hillyard)
214. Phone Use While Driving - to study the use of cell phones while driving a motor vehicle. (Riesen)
215. Roads and Bridges - to study the condition of state highway pavements and bridges. (Kiser)
216. Traffic in Construction Areas - to study methods to minimize traffic congestion due to construction. (C. Walker)
217. Transit Issues - to study transit fare reductions and transit air quality (1st Sub. H.B. 298). (Harper)
218. Vehicle Emissions - to study reducing emissions by school and UTA buses, and by idling and stopped trucks. (Allen)

## **Workforce Services and Community and Economic Development**

11. Incentives Benefitting Vacating Mobile Home Park Residents - to study providing incentives to developers of mobile home parks that are changing land use to provide assistance to those vacating the park. (Riesen)
219. Disadvantaged Rural Communities Account - to study the Business Development for Disadvantaged Rural Communities Restricted Account and determine the feasibility of appropriating money to the fund, the level of funding, and other issues. (Stowell)
220. Economic Impact of Shakespearean Festival - to study the Utah Shakespearean Festival's impact on the economy on Iron County and Southern Utah and determine the feasibility of building a new theater and a Shakespeare Village. (Stowell)
221. Economic Incentives - to study economic incentives, how many are there and how they are coordinated. (Julie Fisher)
222. Housing Funds - to study sources for state matching funds for the National Housing Trust Fund. (Mascaro)
223. Housing Loan Fund Revenue - to study a dedicated source of revenue for the Olene Walker Housing Loan Fund. (Biskupski)
224. Motion Picture Incentives - to study issues related to Motion Picture Incentives through the Governor's Office of Economic Development (S.B. 250). (Hillyard)
225. Social Security Offset - to study the offset for Social Security and workers' compensation. (Harper)
226. Student/Worker Permit - to study creating a temporary legal student permit, creating a temporary limited legal student/worker permit with a financial ceiling with legal standing, and including in-state tuition. (Anderson)

## **Executive Appropriations**

227. Budgetary Procedures - to study recodifying the Budgetary Procedures Act. (Bigelow)
228. Capital Facilities Prioritization - to study having the Department of Community and Culture's boards annually prepare and submit a prioritized capital facilities request to the Governor and the Legislature. (Allen)
229. Compensation and Revenue - to study and evaluate the need for fee or other non-General Fund revenue increases in the same fiscal year as a compensation increase, and determine a method to authorize this action. (Fife)
230. Grant Proposal Hearing Process - to study ways to improve the process for hearing grant proposals in the Economic Development and Revenue Appropriations Subcommittee. (Julie Fisher)
231. Tax Cuts - to study the current requirement that tax cuts be "funded." (Stephenson)
232. Weighted Pupil Unit Funding - to study moving more line items above the line on

education funding to increase the weighted pupil unit amount. (Julie Fisher)

233. Zero-based Budgeting - to study Sen. Niederhauser's Zero-based Budgeting Proposal. (Stephenson)

234. Fiscal Notes - to study replacing the current fiscal note process with a dynamic economic analysis. (Stephenson)

## **Legislative Process**

235. Limiting Personal Privileges - to study prohibiting, by rule, personal privileges for the purpose of introducing guests during the last two weeks of the annual legislative general session. (King)

## **KEY to ASSIGNMENT of MASTER STUDY RESOLUTION ITEMS by the LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

Master Study Resolution - The MSR assignments stay as presented to LMC with the following exceptions:

- (a) Item 11 is transferred from Business Labor to Workforce Services and Economic Development;
- (b) Items 22, 32 and 35 are transferred from Education to the new Higher Education and Applied Technology Governance Committee;
- (c) Item 73 removed as being within the Health Care Task Force;
- (d) Item 74 from Health and Human Services to Judiciary;
- (e) Item 78 from Health and Human Services to Natural Resources, Agriculture and the Environment;
- (f) Item 124 transferred from Judiciary and 132 transferred from Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice to Immigration Interim Committee;
- (g) Item 167 from Public Utilities and Technology to Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice.