

LEGISLATIVE APPROVAL OF LAND TRANSFERS

2015 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Keven J. Stratton

Senate Sponsor: David P. Hinkins

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill describes the procedure for selling, exchanging, or transferring state land.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

▸ requires the governor, an executive agency, or a political subdivision to submit a proposal to sell, exchange, or transfer 500 acres or more of state land for legislative approval;

▸ requires the governor, an executive agency, or a political subdivision to notify the Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee of any proposal to sell, exchange, or transfer less than 500 acres of state land; and

▸ requires a political subdivision that enters into a discussion with a federal agent or entity regarding land management issues to provide written notice to the Legislature.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

63L-6-106, Utah Code Annotated 1953



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

30 Section 1. Section **63L-6-106** is enacted to read:

31 **63L-6-106. Legislative approval of land sales, exchanges, or transfers with the**
32 **federal government.**

33 (1) The governor, an executive agency, or a political subdivision may not execute an
34 agreement to sell, exchange, or transfer 500 or more acres of state land, regardless of whether
35 the 500 acres are contiguous or noncontiguous, until:

36 (a) the governor, executive agency, or political subdivision submits the agreement or
37 proposed agreement to the Legislature for its approval or rejection; and

38 (b) the Legislature passes a joint resolution approving an agreement or proposed
39 agreement.

40 (2) The governor, an executive agency, or a political subdivision shall notify the
41 Natural Resources, Agriculture, and Environment Interim Committee before executing an
42 agreement to sell, exchange, or transfer less than 500 acres of state land.

43 (3) A political subdivision shall give written notice to the Legislative Management
44 Committee as soon as the political subdivision enters into a discussion with a federal agent or
45 entity regarding land management issues within the state.

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