

Ryan D. Wilcox proposes the following substitute bill:

1 **First Responder Health Amendments**

2026 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Ryan D. Wilcox**

Senate Sponsor:

2 **LONG TITLE**

3 **General Description:**

4 This bill amends requirements for providing mental health resources to first responders.

5 **Highlighted Provisions:**

6 This bill:

7 ▶ amends eligibility requirements for the Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel  
8 Insurance Program;

9 ▶ requires the Department of Public Safety (department) to annually submit a report on a  
10 first responder agency's compliance with requirements to provide mental health  
11 resources to first responders and first responders' spouses to the:

12     • Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee; and  
13     • State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice's public safety portal;  
14     ▶ creates the Mental Health Resources for First Responders Restricted Account (account) to  
15 provide funding for the department to provide certain mental health resources to eligible  
16 small first responder agencies;

17     ▶ provides sunset dates for the account, grants to first responder agencies, and provisions  
18 related to the department providing services to certain first responder agencies;

19     ▶ defines terms; and  
20     ▶ makes technical and conforming changes.

21 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

22 This bill appropriates (\$800,000) in operating and capital budgets for fiscal year 2027, all  
23 of which is from the General Fund.

24 This bill appropriates \$800,000 in restricted fund and account transfers for fiscal year 2027, all  
25 of which is from the General Fund.

26 **Other Special Clauses:**

27 This bill provides a special effective date.

29      **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

30      AMENDS:

31      **53-2d-703 (Effective 05/06/26) (Repealed 07/01/27)**, as last amended by Laws of Utah  
32      2025, Chapter 24033      **53-21-101 (Effective 07/01/26)**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2025, Chapter 13534      **53-21-102 (Effective 05/06/26)**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 34535      **53-21-104.1 (Effective 07/01/26)**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 34536      **53-21-104.3 (Effective 05/06/26)**, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2024, Chapter 34537      **63I-1-253 (Effective 05/06/26)**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2025, First Special  
38      Session, Chapter 9

39      ENACTS:

40      **53-21-105 (Effective 07/01/26)**, Utah Code Annotated 195342      *Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*43      Section 1. Section **53-2d-703** is amended to read:44      **53-2d-703 (Effective 05/06/26) (Repealed 07/01/27). Volunteer Emergency  
45      Medical Service Personnel Insurance Program -- Creation -- Administration -- Eligibility  
46      -- Benefits -- Rulemaking -- Advisory board.**

47      (1) As used in this section:

48      (a) "Assigned service area" means the operations subdivisions of a geographical service  
49      area that a local government entity creates based on the local government entity's  
50      emergency medical services operational needs.51      (b) "Basic life insurance benefit" means the standard group life insurance benefit offered  
52      by PEHP that combines basic life, line-of-duty, accidental death and disability, and  
53      dependent coverage into one benefit package.54      [(b)] (c) "Basic long-term disability benefit" means a \$1,000 monthly benefit arising  
55      from a disability determined in accordance with Title 49, Chapter 21, Public  
56      Employees' Long-Term Disability Act, and excluding any coverage offered on a pilot  
57      basis.

58      [(e)] (d) "Dental plan" means the same as that term is defined in Section 31A-22-646.

59      (e) "Emergency medical services operations" means an emergency medical services  
60      provider's duties, as assigned by the local government entity, including:  
61      (i) 911 call response in the assigned service area;  
62      (ii) standby services for regular operations or special events;

- (iii) training; and
- (iv) emergency medical services-related community engagement in the geographical service area.

(f) "Geographical service area" means a local government entity's jurisdiction.

[¶] (g) "Health benefit plan" means the same as that term is defined in Section 31A-1-301.

[(e)] (h) "Local government entity" means a political subdivision that:

(i) is licensed as a ground ambulance provider under Part 5, Ambulance and Paramedic Providers, or a quick response provider as designated under Section 53-2d-403; and

(ii) does not offer health insurance benefits to volunteer emergency medical service personnel.

[~~(f)~~] (i) "PEHP" means the Public Employees' Benefit and Insurance Program created in Section 49-20-103.

[~~(g)~~] **(j)** "Political subdivision" means a county, a municipality, a limited purpose government entity described in Title 17B, Limited Purpose Local Government Entities - Special Districts, or Title 17D, Limited Purpose Local Government Entities - Other Entities, or an entity created by an interlocal agreement under Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act.

[~~(h)~~] (k) "Qualifying association" means an association that represents two or more political subdivisions in the state.

[f] (1) "Qualifying community" means any of the following located in a county of the second class:

- (i) a city of the fifth class; or
- (ii) a town.

(2) The Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel Insurance Program shall promote recruitment and retention of volunteer emergency medical service personnel by making insurance available to volunteer emergency medical service personnel in accordance with this section.

(3)(a) The bureau shall contract with a qualifying association to create, implement, and administer the Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel Insurance Program described in this section.

(b) The qualifying association will create promotional campaigns for the Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel Insurance Program and volunteer emergency

97                   medical service recruitment and retention including outreach to local government  
98                   entities through social media, video production, and other media platforms.

99                   (4) Participation in the program is limited to any individual who:

100                   (a) is licensed under Section 53-2d-402 as an emergency medical technician, an  
101                   advanced emergency medical technician, or a paramedic;  
102                   (b) is able to perform all necessary functions associated with the license;  
103                   (c) provides emergency medical services under the direction of a local governmental  
104                   entity:  
105                           (i) by ~~responding to 20% of calls for emergency medical services in~~ participating in  
106                           at least 20% of emergency medical services operations during a rolling  
107                           twelve-month period; and  
108                           (ii) within a qualifying community or a county of the third, fourth, fifth, or sixth class[  
109                           ~~by responding to the number of calls described in Subsection (4)(e)(i)~~]; and  
110                           (iii)(A) as a volunteer under the Fair Labor Standards Act, in accordance with 29  
111                           C.F.R. Sec. 553.106; or  
112                           (B) as a part-time unbefited employee, as classified by the employing local  
113                           government entity;

114                   (d) if seeking health insurance:

115                           (i)(A) is not eligible for a health benefit plan through an employer or a spouse's  
116                           employer; and  
117                           (B) is not eligible for medical coverage under a government sponsored healthcare  
118                           program; or  
119                           (ii) the individual's premium cost for individual, double, or family coverage through  
120                           another source exceeds 20% or greater of the premium cost of the program created  
121                           by this section;

122                   (e) if seeking dental insurance:

123                           (i)(A) is not eligible for a dental plan through an employer or a spouse's employer;  
124                           and  
125                           (B) is not eligible for dental coverage under a government sponsored healthcare  
126                           program; or  
127                           (ii) the individual's premium cost for individual, double, or family coverage exceeds  
128                           20% or greater of the premium cost of the program created by this section; and

129                   (f) resides in the state.

130                   (5)(a) A participant in the program is eligible to participate in PEHP in accordance with

131 Subsection (5)(b) and Subsection 49-20-201(3).

132 (b) Health and dental benefits available to program participants under PEHP are limited  
133 to health insurance and dental insurance that:

- 134 (i) covers the program participant and the program participant's eligible dependents  
135 on a July 1 plan year;
- 136 (ii) accepts enrollment during an open enrollment period or for a special enrollment  
137 event, including the initial eligibility of a program participant;
- 138 (iii) if the program participant is no longer eligible for benefits, terminates on the last  
139 day of the last month for which the individual is a participant in the Volunteer  
140 Emergency Medical Service Personnel Insurance Program; and
- 141 (iv) is not subject to continuation rights under state or federal law.

142 (c) Within existing appropriations, the Volunteer Emergency Medical Service Personnel  
143 Insurance Program may offer basic life insurance and long-term disability insurance  
144 to participants to enhance recruitment and retention efforts.

145 (6)(a) The bureau may make rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah  
146 Administrative Rulemaking Act, to define additional criteria regarding benefit  
147 design, eligibility for the program, and to implement this section.

148 (b) The bureau shall convene an advisory board:

- 149 (i) to advise the bureau on making rules under Subsection (6)(a); and
- 150 (ii) that includes representation from at least the following entities:
  - 151 (A) the qualifying association that receives the contract under Subsection (3); and
  - 152 (B) PEHP.

153 (7) For purposes of this section, the qualifying association that receives the contract under  
154 Subsection (3) shall be considered the public agency for whom the program participant  
155 is volunteering under 29 C.F.R. Sec. 553.101.

156 Section 2. Section **53-21-101** is amended to read:

157 **53-21-101 (Effective 07/01/26). Definitions.**

158 As used in this chapter:

159 (1) "Crime scene investigator technician" means an individual employed by a law  
160 enforcement agency to collect and analyze evidence from crime scenes and  
161 crime-related incidents.

162 (2) "Designated mental health resources liaison" means a non-leadership human resources  
163 or other administrative employee designated by a first responder agency who receives  
164 and processes a request for mental health resources on behalf of the first responder

165 agency under this chapter.

166 (3) "First responder" means:

- 167 (a) a law enforcement officer, as defined in Section 53-13-103;
- 168 (b) an emergency medical technician, as defined in Section 53-2e-101;
- 169 (c) an advanced emergency medical technician, as defined in Section 53-2e-101;
- 170 (d) a paramedic, as defined in Section 53-2e-101;
- 171 (e) a firefighter, as defined in Section [34A-3-113] 34A-3-101;
- 172 (f) a dispatcher, as defined in Section 53-6-102;
- 173 (g) a correctional officer, as defined in Section 53-13-104;
- 174 (h) a special function officer, as defined in Section 53-13-105, employed by a local  
175 sheriff;
- 176 (i) a search and rescue worker under the supervision of a local sheriff;
- 177 (j) a forensic interviewer or victim advocate employed by a [children's justice center]  
178 Children's Justice Center established in accordance with Section 67-5b-102;
- 179 (k) a credentialed criminal justice system victim advocate as defined in Section  
180 77-38-403 who responds to incidents with a law enforcement officer;
- 181 (l) a crime scene investigator technician;
- 182 (m) a wildland firefighter;
- 183 (n) an investigator or prosecutor of cases involving sexual crimes against children; or
- 184 (o) a civilian employee of a first responder agency who has been authorized to view or  
185 otherwise access information concerning crimes, accidents, or other traumatic events.

186 (4) "First responder agency" means:

- 187 (a) a special district, municipality, interlocal entity, or other political subdivision that  
188 employs a first responder to provide fire protection, paramedic, law enforcement, or  
189 emergency services; or
- 190 (b) a certified private law enforcement agency as defined in Section 53-19-102.

191 (5)(a) "Mental health resources" means:

- 192 (i) an assessment to determine appropriate mental health treatment that is performed  
193 by a mental health therapist;
- 194 (ii) outpatient mental health treatment provided by a mental health therapist; or
- 195 (iii) peer support services provided by a peer support specialist who is qualified to  
196 provide peer support services under Subsection 26B-5-102(2)(gg).

197 (b) "Mental health resources" includes, at a minimum, the following services:

- 198 (i) regular periodic screenings for all employees within the first responder agency;

- (ii) assessments and availability to mental health services for personnel directly involved in a critical incident within 48 hours of the incident; and
- (iii) regular and continuing access to the mental health program for:
  - (A) spouses and children of first responders;
  - (B) first responders who have retired or separated from the agency; and
  - (C) spouses of first responders who have retired or separated from the agency.

(6) "Mental health therapist" means the same as that term is defined in Section 58-60-102.

(7) "Plan" means a plan to implement or expand a program that provides mental health resources to first responders for which the division awards a grant under this chapter.

(8) "Retired" means the status of an individual who has become eligible, applies for, and may receive an allowance under Title 49, Utah State Retirement and Insurance Benefit Act.

(9) "Separated" means the status of an individual who has separated from employment as a first responder from a first responder agency as a result of a critical incident involving the first responder.

(10) "Small first responder agency" means a first responder agency that:

- (a) has 10 or fewer employees;
- (b) is primarily staffed by volunteers; or
- (c) is located in:
  - (i) a county of the [third, fourth, fifth,] fifth or sixth class;
  - (ii) a city of the [third, fourth, fifth,] fifth or sixth class; or
  - (iii) a town.

Section 3. Section **53-21-102** is amended to read:

**53-21-102 (Effective 05/06/26). Mental health services -- Requirement to provide -- Eligibility -- Confidentiality -- Requests -- Reporting noncompliance -- Designation.**

- (1) As used in this section:
  - (a) "Commission" means the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice created in Section 63M-7-201.
  - (b) "Public safety portal" means the data portal created in Section 63A-16-1002.
- (2) Every first responder agency within the state shall provide or make available mental health resources to:
  - (a) all first responders;
  - (b) the spouse and children of first responders;
  - (c) surviving spouses of first responders whose death is classified as a line-of-duty death

under Title 49, Utah State Retirement and Insurance Benefit Act;

- (d) retired or separated first responders for at least three years from the date that the retired or separated first responder requests mental health resources, regardless of any subsequent employment as a non-first responder; and
- (e) spouses of retired or separated first responders for at least three years from the date that the spouse of the retired or separated first responder requests mental health resources, regardless of any subsequent employment as a non-first responder.

[2] (3) All access by first responders and their families to mental health resources shall be kept confidential.

[(3)] (4) A first responder agency shall:

- (a) annually provide information to all employed first responders regarding:
  - (i) the availability of mental health resources under this section, including:
    - (A) for individuals in addition to the first responders as described in Subsection [(1)] (2); and
    - (B) subsequent to a separation or retirement;
  - (ii) how to access the mental health resources under this section; and
  - (iii) directions on how to appeal a denial of mental health resources under this section to the department, as provided under Section 53-21-104.3; and
- (b)(i) assign a designated mental health resources liaison;
  - (ii) inform the department of the identity of the designated mental health resources liaison; and
  - (iii) update the department as to the identity of the designated mental health resources liaison when a new individual is assigned.

(5)(a) The department shall annually submit a report to the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee, on or before the date of the committee's November meeting, on first responder agencies' compliance with this section.

(b) The department shall submit a copy of the report described in Subsection (5)(a) to the commission's public safety portal as described in Section 63A-16-1002.

Section 4. Section **53-21-104.1** is amended to read:

**53-21-104.1 (Effective 07/01/26). Department may provide certain mental health resources -- Requirements.**

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Account" means the Mental Health Resources for First Responders Restricted Account created in Section 53-21-105.

267 (b) "Eligible first responder agency" means a small first responder agency that  
268 contributes funds to the account in accordance with Section 53-21-105.

269 [(+) (2)(a) In accordance with [Subsection (4)] Subsection (5), the department may, at  
270 the department's discretion, provide certain mental health resources to [a small] an  
271 eligible first responder agency.

272 (b) The mental health resources described in Subsection [(+)(a)] (2)(a) may include an  
273 assessment and availability to mental health services for personnel directly involved  
274 in a critical incident within 48 hours of the incident.

275 [(2)] (3) The department may use a contracted provider to provide the services described in  
276 Subsection [(+)] (2).

277 [(3)] (4) If [a small] an eligible first responder agency elects to receive mental health services  
278 as provided under this section, the [small] eligible first responder agency shall designate  
279 a representative of the small first responder agency who is responsible for providing a  
280 timely notification to the department or the department's designee if a critical incident  
281 occurs as described in Subsection [(+)(b)] (2)(b).

282 [(4)] (5)(a) As provided in Subsection 53-21-103(10), the department may use up to 25%  
283 of the remaining grant funds for the mental health resources described in this section[;  
284 and may discontinue the mental health resources once the available grant funding is  
285 depleted].

286 (b) The department may use funds in the account for the mental health resources  
287 described in this section, and may discontinue the mental health resources if there are  
288 insufficient funds in the account.

289 Section 5. Section **53-21-104.3** is amended to read:

290 **53-21-104.3 (Effective 05/06/26). Education -- Complaints -- Investigations.**

291 (1) On or before September 1, 2024, the department shall inform all first responder  
292 agencies in the state of the requirements described in Section 53-21-102.

293 (2) In addition to the notification required under Subsection (1), the department shall, on  
294 the department's website, provide information describing:

295 (a) an individual's eligibility for mental health resources under Section 53-21-102;  
296 (b) the statutory definition for mental health resources provided in Section 53-21-101;  
297 (c) the designated mental health resources liaison for each first responder agency as  
298 described in Subsection [53-21-102(3)(b)] 53-21-102(4)(b); and  
299 (d) how to appeal a denial of mental health resources to the department.

300 (3)(a) The department shall investigate a denial of mental health resources that is

301 received under Subsection (2)(d) to determine whether the denial was in violation of  
302 this chapter.

303 (b) If, after an investigation, the department determines that a first responder agency  
304 improperly denied mental health resources in violation of this chapter, the department  
305 shall notify the first responder agency and provide 60 days for the first responder  
306 agency to correct the improper denial.  
307 (c) The department shall determine whether a first responder agency has cured the  
308 violation within the time described in Subsection (3)(b) and, if the first responder  
309 agency has not, the department shall send a letter within a reasonable time identifying  
310 the first responder agency and the relevant details of the department's investigation to:  
311 (i) the commissioner;  
312 (ii) the chairs of the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee; and  
313 (iii) the director of the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice, who shall  
314 refer the matter for investigation under Section 63M-7-204 and may restrict state  
315 grant money under Section 63M-7-218.

316 Section 6. Section **53-21-105** is enacted to read:

317 **53-21-105 (Effective 07/01/26). Mental Health Resources for First Responders**

318 **Restricted Account.**

319 (1) As used in this section:

320 (a) "Account" means the Mental Health Resources for First Responders Restricted  
321 Account created in this section.

322 (b) "Contributing first responder agency" means a small first responder agency that  
323 contributes funds to the account.

324 (2) There is created within the General Fund a restricted fund known as the "Mental Health  
325 Resources for First Responders Restricted Account."

326 (3) The account consists of:

327 (a) appropriations of the Legislature;  
328 (b) amounts deposited into the account in accordance with this section;  
329 (c) gifts, grants, donations, or any other conveyance of money that may be made to the  
330 account from private sources;  
331 (d) the funds described in Subsection 53-21-103(10); and  
332 (e) interest earned on money in the account.

333 (4)(a) The account shall earn interest.

334 (b) Interest earned on the account shall be deposited into the account.

335 (5)(a) A small first responder agency may contribute funds to the account.

336 (b) If a small first responder agency contributes to the account, the small first responder

337 agency shall contribute to the account as described in this section.

338 (6) In a fiscal year that begins on or after July 1, 2026, a contributing first responder agency

339 shall annually contribute \$25 per first responder employed by the contributing first

340 responder agency.

341 (7)(a) On or before July 1, 2031, the department shall:

342 (i) return any unexpended gifts, grants, donations, or any other conveyance of money

343 made to the account to the donor; and

344 (ii) return any unexpended contributions to contributing first responder agencies.

345 (b) On July 1, 2031, any funds remaining in the account after the department complies

346 with Subsection (7)(a) shall be deposited into the General Fund.

347 (8) The department shall make rules in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah

348 Administrative Rulemaking Act, for:

349 (a) a process for collecting contributing first responder agency contributions to the

350 account described in this section; and

351 (b) a process for depositing into the account contributing first responder agency

352 contributions described in this section.

353 (9) The department may use money in the account only to provide the mental health

354 resources to a small first responder agency as described in Section 53-1-104.1.

355 Section 7. Section **63I-1-253** is amended to read:

356 **63I-1-253 (Effective 05/06/26). Repeal dates: Titles 53 through 53G.**

357 (1) Section 53-1-122, Road Rage Awareness and Prevention Restricted Account, is

358 repealed July 1, 2028.

359 (2) Section 53-2a-105, Emergency Management Administration Council created --

360 Function -- Composition -- Expenses, is repealed July 1, 2029.

361 (3) Section 53-2a-1103, Search and Rescue Advisory Board -- Members -- Compensation,

362 is repealed July 1, 2030.

363 (4) Section 53-2a-1104, General duties of the Search and Rescue Advisory Board, is

364 repealed July 1, 2027.

365 (5) Title 53, Chapter 2a, Part 15, Grid Resilience Committee, is repealed July 1, 2027.

366 (6) Section 53-2d-104, State Emergency Medical Services Committee -- Membership --

367 Expenses, is repealed July 1, 2029.

368 (7) Section 53-2d-503, Establishment of maximum rates, is repealed July 1, 2027.

369 (8) Section 53-5a-302, Concealed Firearm Review Board -- Membership -- Compensation  
370 -- Terms -- Duties, is repealed July 1, 2029.

371 (9) Section 53-11-104, Board, is repealed July 1, 2029.

372 (10) Section 53-21-103, Grants to first responder agencies -- Rulemaking, is repealed July  
373 1, 2032.

374 (11) Section 53-21-104.1, Department may provide certain mental health resources --  
375 Requirements, is repealed July 1, 2032.

376 (12) Section 53-21-105, Mental Health Resources for First Responders Restricted Account,  
377 is repealed July 1, 2032.

378 [(10)] (13) Title 53, Chapter 31, Department Interaction With Local Law Enforcement, is  
379 repealed July 1, 2027.

380 [(11)] (14) Subsection 53C-3-203(4)(b)(vii), regarding the distribution of money from the  
381 Land Exchange Distribution Account to the Geological Survey for test wells and other  
382 hydrologic studies in the West Desert, is repealed July 1, 2030.

383 [(12)] (15) Subsection 53E-1-201(1)(q), regarding the Higher Education and Corrections  
384 Council, is repealed July 1, 2027.

385 [(13)] (16) Subsection 53E-2-304(6), regarding foreclosing a private right of action or  
386 waiver of governmental immunity, is repealed July 1, 2027.

387 [(14)] (17) Subsection 53E-3-503(5), regarding coordinating councils for youth in care, is  
388 repealed July 1, 2027.

389 [(15)] (18) Subsection 53E-3-503(6), regarding coordinating councils for youth in care, is  
390 repealed July 1, 2027.

391 [(16)] (19) Subsection 53E-4-202(8)(b), regarding a standards review committee, is repealed  
392 January 1, 2028.

393 [(17)] (20) Section 53E-4-203, Standards review committee, is repealed January 1, 2028.

394 [(18)] (21) Title 53E, Chapter 6, Part 5, Utah Professional Practices Advisory Commission,  
395 is repealed July 1, 2033.

396 [(19)] (22) Subsection 53E-7-207(7), regarding a private right of action or waiver of  
397 governmental immunity, is repealed July 1, 2027.

398 [(20)] (23) Section 53F-5-215, Elementary teacher preparation assessment grant, is repealed  
399 July 1, 2028.

400 [(21)] (24) Section 53F-5-219, Local Innovations Civics Education Pilot Program, is  
401 repealed July 1, 2026.

402 [(22)] (25) Title 53F, Chapter 10, Part 2, Capital Projects Evaluation Panel, is repealed July

403 1, 2027.

404 [23] (26) Subsection 53G-4-608(2)(b), regarding the Utah Seismic Safety Commission, is  
405 repealed January 1, 2025.

406 [24] (27) Subsection 53G-4-608(4)(b), regarding the Utah Seismic Safety Commission, is  
407 repealed January 1, 2025.

408 [25] (28) Section 53G-9-212, Drinking water quality in schools, is repealed July 1, 2027.

409 [26] (29) Subsection 53G-9-703(4), regarding the parental video presentation concerning  
410 student use of technology, is repealed January 1, 2030.

411 [27] (30) Subsection 53H-1-402(1)(j), regarding the Higher Education and Corrections  
412 Council, is repealed July 1, 2027.

413 [28] (31) Section 53H-1-604, Higher Education and Corrections Council, is repealed July  
414 1, 2027.

415 [29] (32) Subsection 53H-4-210(3), regarding the creation of the SafeUT and School  
416 Safety Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.

417 [30] (33) Subsection 53H-4-210(4), regarding the appointment of the members of the  
418 SafeUT and School Safety Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.

419 [31] (34) Subsection 53H-4-210(5), regarding the attorney general designating the chair of  
420 the SafeUT and School Safety Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.

421 [32] (35) Subsection 53H-4-210(6), regarding the quorum requirements of the SafeUT and  
422 School Safety Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.

423 [33] (36) Subsection 53H-4-210(7), regarding a formal action of the SafeUT and School  
424 Safety Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.

425 [34] (37) Subsection 53H-4-210(8), regarding compensation for members of the SafeUT  
426 and School Safety Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.

427 [35] (38) Subsection 53H-4-210(9), regarding the support staff for the SafeUT and School  
428 Safety Commission, is repealed January 1, 2030.

429 [36] (39) Section 53H-4-306.1, Definitions -- Electrification of Transportation  
430 Infrastructure Research Center, is repealed July 1, 2028.

431 [37] (40) Section 53H-4-306.2, Electrification of Transportation Infrastructure Research  
432 Center -- Designation -- Duties, is repealed July 1, 2028.

433 [38] (41) Section 53H-4-306.3, Electrification of Transportation Infrastructure Research  
434 Center -- Steering committee, is repealed July 1, 2028.

435 [39] (42) Section 53H-4-306.4, Electrification of Transportation Infrastructure Research  
436 Center -- Industry advisory board, is repealed July 1, 2028.

437 [40] (43) Section 53H-4-306.5, Electrification of Transportation Infrastructure Research  
438 Center -- Duties of the project director, is repealed July 1, 2028.

439 [41] (44) Section 53H-4-306.6, Electrification of Transportation Infrastructure Research  
440 Center -- Project development and strategic objectives -- Reporting requirements, is  
441 repealed July 1, 2028.

442 [42] (45) Section 53H-4-307.1, Center for Civic Excellence, is repealed July 1, 2030.

443 [43] (46) Section 53H-4-307.2, Center for Civic Excellence -- Duties -- Authority, is  
444 repealed July 1, 2030.

445 [44] (47) Section 53H-4-307.3, Center for Civic Excellence -- Leadership, is repealed July  
446 1, 2030.

447 [45] (48) Section 53H-4-307.4, Center for Civic Excellence -- Faculty, is repealed July 1,  
448 2030.

449 [46] (49) Section 53H-4-307.5, Center for Civic Excellence -- Curriculum, is repealed July  
450 1, 2030.

451 [47] (50) Section 53H-4-307.6, Center for Civic Excellence -- Oversight -- Reporting, is  
452 repealed July 1, 2030.

453 [48] (51) Section 53H-4-313, Food Security Council, is repealed July 1, 2027.

454 [49] (52) Section 53H-8-305, Five-year performance goals, is repealed July 1, 2027.

455 [50] (53) Title 53H, Chapter 10, Part 4, Education Savings Incentive Program, is repealed  
456 July 1, 2028.

#### 457 **Section 8. FY 2027 Appropriations.**

458 The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1,  
459 2026, and ending June 30, 2027. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for  
460 fiscal year 2027.

#### 461 **Subsection 8(a). Operating and Capital Budgets**

462 Under the terms and conditions of Title 63J, Chapter 1, Budgetary Procedures Act, the  
463 Legislature appropriates the following sums of money from the funds or accounts indicated for  
464 the use and support of the government of the state of Utah.

#### 465 **ITEM 1 To Department of Public Safety - Programs & Operations**

466 From General Fund, One-time (800,000)

#### 467 Schedule of Programs:

468 Department Commissioner's Office (800,000)

#### 469 **Subsection 8(b). Restricted Fund and Account Transfers**

470 The Legislature authorizes the State Division of Finance to transfer the following

471 amounts between the following funds or accounts as indicated. Expenditures and outlays from  
472 the funds to which the money is transferred must be authorized by an appropriation.

473 ITEM 2 To General Fund Restricted - Mental Health Resources for First Responders  
474 Account

475 From General Fund, One-time 800,000

## 476 Schedule of Programs:

477 Mental Health Resources for First Responders

## 479 Section 9. Effective Date.

480 (1) Except as provided in Subsec

(1) Except as provided in Subsection (2), this bill takes effect May 6, 2026.

481 (2) The actions affecting the following sections take effect on July 1, 2026:

482 (a) Section 53-21-101 (Effective 07/01/26);

483 (b) Section 53-21-104.1 (Effective 07/01/26); and

484 (c) Section 53-21-105 (Effective 07/01/26).