

Representative Ashlee Matthews proposes the following substitute bill:

POLLINATOR AMENDMENTS

2021 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Ashlee Matthews

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill creates a pilot program to address issues related to pollinators.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ directs the Department of Agriculture and Food to create a pollinator pilot program;
- ▶ permits the department to coordinate with entities related to the pilot program;
- ▶ authorizes rulemaking;
- ▶ enacts a sunset date; and
- ▶ makes technical changes.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

63I-1-204, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2020, Chapters 154 and 232

ENACTS:

4-2-701, Utah Code Annotated 1953



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

Section 1. Section **4-2-701** is enacted to read:

Part 7. Pollinator Pilot Program

4-2-701. Pollinator pilot program.

(1) Subject to the other provisions of this section, the department shall implement a three-year pollinator pilot program that includes one or more of the following:

(a) public education efforts that include workshops, planting guides, or a public education campaign to raise awareness about creating pollinator habitats;

(b) distribution of pollinator-friendly forbs and legumes for planting within the state to protect a diversity of pollinators;

(c) pollinator programs run by local governments and nonprofit organizations with support from the department; and

(d) grants that:

(i) are provided on a first-come-first-serve basis;

(ii) cover up to 25% of the costs for the planting of pollinator-friendly forbs and legumes on private or public land; and

(iii) in total do not exceed \$250,000 each fiscal year.

(2) The department may coordinate with the federal government, other state agencies, state institutions of higher education, or political subdivisions to provide for the activities described in Subsection (1).

(3) The department may make rules, in accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act, to establish:

(a) the criteria for receiving a grant under this section; and

(b) the process to apply for and receive a grant under this section.

Section 2. Section **63I-1-204** is amended to read:

63I-1-204. Repeal dates, Title 4.

(1) Section 4-2-108, which creates the Agricultural Advisory Board, is repealed July 1, 2023.

(2) Title 4, Chapter 2, Part 7, Pollinator Pilot Program, is repealed July 1, 2024.

~~(3)~~ (3) Section 4-17-104, which creates the State Weed Committee, is repealed July

57 1, 2021.

58 [~~(3)~~] (4) Section 4-20-103, which creates the State Grazing Advisory Board, is repealed
59 July 1, 2022.

60 [~~(4)~~] (5) Sections 4-23-104 and 4-23-105, which create the Agricultural and Wildlife
61 Damage Prevention Board, are repealed July 1, 2024.

62 [~~(5)~~] (6) Section 4-24-104, which creates the Livestock Brand Board, is repealed July
63 1, 2025.

64 [~~(6)~~] (7) Section 4-35-103, which creates the Decision and Action Committee, is
65 repealed July 1, 2026.

66 [~~(7)~~] (8) Section 4-39-104, which creates the Domesticated Elk Act Advisory Council,
67 is repealed July 1, 2027.