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2	2019 GENERAL SESSION
3	STATE OF UTAH
4	Chief Sponsor: Wayne A. Harper
5	House Sponsor:
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7	LONG TITLE
8	Committee Note:
9	The Government Operations Interim Committee recommended this bill.
10	General Description:
11	This bill modifies provisions related to the incorporation of a municipality.
12	Highlighted Provisions:
13	This bill:
14	defines terms;
15	 repeals Title 10, Chapter 2a, Part 3, Incorporation of a Town;
16	 adds the incorporation of a town to the existing process for incorporating a city;
17	 establishes qualifications for an area to incorporate as a municipality;

MUNICIPAL INCORPORATION AMENDMENTS

- amends provisions related to the content of a feasibility study;
- requires a feasibility consultant to consult with certain governmental entities when drafting a feasibility study;

• establishes a population density threshold for an area to incorporate as a

- changes the deadline by which a feasibility consultant is required to complete a feasibility study;
- establishes the Municipal Incorporation Expendable Special Revenue Fund for the lieutenant governor's provision of municipal incorporation services;
 - establishes provisions related to a new municipality's responsibility to repay the



28	lieutenant governor for certain services rendered by the lieutenant governor during the
29	incorporation process; and
30	 makes technical and conforming changes.
31	Money Appropriated in this Bill:
32	This bill appropriates:
33	 to the Municipal Incorporation Expendable Special Revenue Fund as a one-time
34	appropriation:
35	• from the General Fund, \$100,000.
36	Other Special Clauses:
37	This bill provides revisor instructions.
38	Utah Code Sections Affected:
39	AMENDS:
40	10-2-403, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 452
41	10-2a-102, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
42	10-2a-106, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 452
43	10-2a-201, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
44	10-2a-202, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 157 and renumbered and
45	amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
46	10-2a-203, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 157 and renumbered and
47	amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
48	10-2a-204, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 157 and renumbered and
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50	10-2a-205, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 157 and renumbered and
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54	10-2a-207, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 157 and renumbered and
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56	10-2a-208, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 157 and renumbered and
57	amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
58	10-2a-209, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 157 and renumbered and

59	amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
60	10-2a-210, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapters 111, 157 and renumbered
61	and amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
62	10-2a-211, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
63	10-2a-212, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
64	10-2a-213, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
65	10-2a-214, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 91
66	10-2a-215, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 111 and renumbered and
67	amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352 and last amended by Coordination
68	Clause, Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
69	10-2a-216, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
70	10-2a-217, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 111 and renumbered and
71	amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
72	10-2a-218, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 111 and renumbered and
73	amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
74	10-2a-219, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 111 and renumbered and
75	amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
76	10-2a-220, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 157 and renumbered and
77	amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
78	10-2a-402, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 367
79	10-2a-413, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
80	20A-1-203, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapters 68 and 415
81	20A-11-101, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 452
82	63I-2-210, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Second Special Session, Chapter 6
83	67-1a-2, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 330
84	ENACTS:
85	10-2a-201.5, Utah Code Annotated 1953
86	REPEALS:
87	10-2a-221, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
88	10-2a-301, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
89	10-2a-302.5, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapters 281 and 330

90	10-2a-303, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 452
91	10-2a-304, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 452
92	10-2a-305, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352 and
93	repealed and reenacted by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 111
94	10-2a-305.1, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 11
95	10-2a-305.2, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 111 and last amended by
96	Coordination Clause, Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
97	10-2a-306, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 111 and renumbered and
98	amended by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
99	10-2a-307, as enacted by Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 157 and last amended by
100	Coordination Clause, Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 352
101	Utah Code Sections Affected by Revisor Instructions:
102	10-2a-106, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 452
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(II) each owner of real property located within 300 feet of the area proposed to be annexed; and

- (B) send to the proposed annexing municipality a copy of the notice and a certificate indicating that the notice has been mailed as required under Subsection (2)(b)(i)(A).
- (ii) The county shall mail the notice required under Subsection (2)(b)(i)(A) within 20 days after receiving from the person or persons who filed the notice of intent:
 - (A) a written request to mail the required notice; and
- (B) payment of an amount equal to the county's expected actual cost of mailing the notice.
 - (iii) Each notice required under Subsection (2)(b)(i)(A) shall:
 - (A) be in writing;

- (B) state, in bold and conspicuous terms, substantially the following:
- "Attention: Your property may be affected by a proposed annexation.

Records show that you own property within an area that is intended to be included in a proposed annexation to (state the name of the proposed annexing municipality) or that is within 300 feet of that area. If your property is within the area proposed for annexation, you may be asked to sign a petition supporting the annexation. You may choose whether [or not] to sign the petition. By signing the petition, you indicate your support of the proposed annexation. If you sign the petition but later change your mind about supporting the annexation, you may withdraw your signature by submitting a signed, written withdrawal with the recorder or clerk of (state the name of the proposed annexing municipality) within 30 days after (state the name of the proposed annexing municipality) receives notice that the petition has been certified.

There will be no public election on the proposed annexation because Utah law does not provide for an annexation to be approved by voters at a public election. Signing or not signing the annexation petition is the method under Utah law for the owners of property within the area proposed for annexation to demonstrate their support of or opposition to the proposed annexation.

You may obtain more information on the proposed annexation by contacting (state the name, mailing address, telephone number, and email address of the official or employee of the proposed annexing municipality designated to respond to questions about the proposed annexation), (state the name, mailing address, telephone number, and email address of the

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county official or employee designated to respond to questions about the proposed annexation), or (state the name, mailing address, telephone number, and email address of the person who filed the notice of intent under Subsection (2)(a)(i)(A), or, if more than one person filed the notice of intent, one of those persons). Once filed, the annexation petition will be available for inspection and copying at the office of (state the name of the proposed annexing municipality) located at (state the address of the municipal offices of the proposed annexing municipality)."; and

- (C) be accompanied by an accurate map identifying the area proposed for annexation.
- (iv) A county may not mail with the notice required under Subsection (2)(b)(i)(A) any other information or materials related or unrelated to the proposed annexation.
- (c) (i) After receiving the certificate from the county as provided in Subsection (2)(b)(i)(B), the proposed annexing municipality shall, upon request from the person or persons who filed the notice of intent under Subsection (2)(a)(i)(A), provide an annexation petition for the annexation proposed in the notice of intent.
- (ii) An annexation petition provided by the proposed annexing municipality may be duplicated for circulation for signatures.
 - (3) Each petition under Subsection (1) shall:

- (a) be filed with the <u>applicable</u> city recorder or town clerk[, as the case may be,] of the proposed annexing municipality;
- (b) contain the signatures of, if all the real property within the area proposed for annexation is owned by a public entity other than the federal government, the owners of all the publicly owned real property, or the owners of private real property that:
 - (i) is located within the area proposed for annexation;
- (ii) (A) subject to Subsection (3)(b)(ii)(C), covers a majority of the private land area within the area proposed for annexation;
- (B) covers 100% of rural real property as that term is defined in Section 17B-2a-1107 within the area proposed for annexation; and
- (C) covers 100% of the private land area within the area proposed for annexation, if the area is within an agriculture protection area created under Title 17, Chapter 41, Agriculture and Industrial Protection Areas, or a migratory bird production area created under Title 23, Chapter 28, Migratory Bird Production Area; and

(iii) is equal in value to at least 1/3 of the value of all private real property within the area proposed for annexation;

- (c) be accompanied by:
- (i) an accurate and recordable map, prepared by a licensed surveyor, of the area proposed for annexation; and
- (ii) a copy of the notice sent to affected entities as required under Subsection (2)(a)(i)(B) and a list of the affected entities to which notice was sent;
- (d) if the area proposed to be annexed is located in a county of the first class, contain on each signature page a notice in bold and conspicuous terms that states substantially the following:

"Notice:

- There will be no public election on the annexation proposed by this petition because Utah law does not provide for an annexation to be approved by voters at a public election.
- If you sign this petition and later decide that you do not support the petition, you may withdraw your signature by submitting a signed, written withdrawal with the recorder or clerk of (state the name of the proposed annexing municipality). If you choose to withdraw your signature, you shall do so no later than 30 days after (state the name of the proposed annexing municipality) receives notice that the petition has been certified.";
- (e) if the petition proposes the annexation of an area located in a county that is not the county in which the proposed annexing municipality is located, be accompanied by a copy of the resolution, required under Subsection 10-2-402(6), of the legislative body of the county in which the area is located; and
- (f) designate up to five of the signers of the petition as sponsors, one of whom shall be designated as the contact sponsor, and indicate the mailing address of each sponsor.
- (4) A petition under Subsection (1) may not propose the annexation of all or part of an area proposed for annexation to a municipality in a previously filed petition that has not been denied, rejected, or granted.
- (5) A petition under Subsection (1) proposing the annexation of an area located in a county of the first class may not propose the annexation of an area that includes some or all of an area proposed to be incorporated in a request for a feasibility study under Section 10-2a-202 [or a petition under Section 10-2a-302.5] if:

214	(a) the request or petition was fried before the firing of the annexation petition, and
215	(b) the request, or a petition under Section 10-2a-208 based on that request, [or a
216	petition under Section 10-2a-302.5] is still pending on the date the annexation petition is filed.
217	(6) If practicable and feasible, the boundaries of an area proposed for annexation shall
218	be drawn:
219	(a) along the boundaries of existing local districts and special service districts for
220	sewer, water, and other services, along the boundaries of school districts whose boundaries
221	follow city boundaries or school districts adjacent to school districts whose boundaries follow
222	city boundaries, and along the boundaries of other taxing entities;
223	(b) to eliminate islands and peninsulas of territory that is not receiving municipal-type
224	services;
225	(c) to facilitate the consolidation of overlapping functions of local government;
226	(d) to promote the efficient delivery of services; and
227	(e) to encourage the equitable distribution of community resources and obligations.
228	(7) On the date of filing, the petition sponsors shall deliver or mail a copy of the
229	petition to the clerk of the county in which the area proposed for annexation is located.
230	(8) A property owner who signs an annexation petition proposing to annex an area
231	located in a county of the first class may withdraw the owner's signature by filing a written
232	withdrawal, signed by the property owner, with the city recorder or town clerk no later than 30
233	days after the municipal legislative body's receipt of the notice of certification under
234	Subsection 10-2-405(2)(c)(i).
235	Section 2. Section 10-2a-102 is amended to read:
236	10-2a-102. Definitions.
237	(1) As used in this part:
238	(a) "Feasibility consultant" means a person or firm:
239	(i) with expertise in the processes and economics of local government; and
240	(ii) who is independent of and not affiliated with a county or sponsor of a petition to
241	incorporate.
242	(b) (i) "Municipal service" means any of the following that are publicly provided:
243	(A) culinary water;
244	(B) secondary water;

245	(C) sewer service;
246	(D) storm drainage or flood control;
247	(E) recreational facilities or parks;
248	(F) electrical power generation or distribution;
249	(G) construction or maintenance of local streets and roads;
250	(H) street lighting;
251	(I) curb, gutter, and sidewalk maintenance;
252	(J) law or code enforcement service;
253	(K) fire protection service;
254	(L) animal services;
255	(M) planning and zoning;
256	(N) building permits and inspections;
257	(O) refuse collection; or
258	(P) weed control.
259	(ii) "Municipal service" includes the physical facilities required to provide a service
260	described in Subsection (1)(b)(i).
261	[(b)] (c) "Private," with respect to real property, means taxable property.
262	(2) For purposes of this part:
263	(a) the owner of real property shall be the record title owner according to the records of
264	the county recorder on the date of the filing of the request or petition; and
265	(b) the value of private real property shall be determined according to the last
266	assessment roll for county taxes before the filing of the request or petition.
267	(3) For purposes of each provision of this part that requires the owners of private real
268	property covering a percentage or fraction of the total private land area within an area to sign a
269	request or petition:
270	(a) a parcel of real property may not be included in the calculation of the required
271	percentage or fraction unless the request or petition is signed by:
272	(i) except as provided in Subsection (3)(a)(ii), owners representing a majority
273	ownership interest in that parcel; or
274	(ii) if the parcel is owned by joint tenants or tenants by the entirety, 50% of the number
275	of owners of that parcel;

276	(b) the signature of a person signing a request or petition in a representative capacity on
277	behalf of an owner is invalid unless:
278	(i) the person's representative capacity and the name of the owner the person represents
279	are indicated on the request or petition with the person's signature; and
280	(ii) the person provides documentation accompanying the request or petition that
281	substantiates the person's representative capacity; and
282	(c) subject to Subsection (3)(b), a duly appointed personal representative may sign a
283	request or petition on behalf of a deceased owner.
284	Section 3. Section 10-2a-106 is amended to read:
285	10-2a-106. Feasibility study or petition to incorporate filed before May 12, 2015.
286	(1) If a request for a feasibility study to incorporate a city is filed under Section
287	10-2a-202 before May 12, 2015, the request and a subsequent feasibility study, petition, public
288	hearing, election, and any other city incorporation action applicable to that request shall be
289	filed with and be acted upon, held, processed, or paid for by the county legislative body or
290	county clerk, as applicable, as designated, directed, or authorized before Laws of Utah 2015,
291	Chapter 157, takes effect.
292	(2) If a petition to incorporate a town is filed [under Section 10-2a-302.5] before May
293	12, 2015, the petition and a subsequent feasibility study, petition, public hearing, election, and
294	any other town incorporation action applicable to that petition to incorporate shall be filed with
295	and be acted upon, held, processed, or paid for by the county legislative body or county clerk,
296	as applicable, as designated, directed, or authorized before Laws of Utah 2015, Chapter 157,
297	takes effect.
298	(3) If an individual files a request for a feasibility study for the incorporation of a city,
299	or an application for an incorporation petition for the incorporation of a town, before May 14,
300	2019, the process for incorporating that city or town under that request or application is not
301	subject to this bill.
302	Section 4. Section 10-2a-201 is amended to read:
303	Part 2. Incorporation of a Municipality
304	10-2a-201. Title.
305	This part is known as "Incorporation of a [City] Municipality."
306	Section 5. Section 10-2a-201.5 is enacted to read:

307	10-2a-201.5. Qualifications for incorporation.
308	(1) (a) An area may incorporate as a town in accordance with this part if the area:
309	(i) subject to Subsection (1)(c), is contiguous;
310	(ii) has a population of at least 100 people, but fewer than 1,000 people; and
311	(iii) is not already part of a municipality.
312	(b) An area may incorporate as a city in accordance with this part if the area:
313	(i) subject to Subsection (1)(c), is contiguous;
314	(ii) has a population of 1,000 people or more; and
315	(iii) is not already part of a municipality.
316	(c) An area is not contiguous for purposes of Subsection (1)(a)(i) or (b)(i) if:
317	(i) the area includes a strip of land that connects geographically separate areas; and
318	(ii) the distance between the geographically separate areas is greater than the average
319	width of the strip of land connecting the geographically separate areas.
320	(2) (a) An area may not incorporate under this part if:
321	(i) the area has a population of fewer than 100 people; or
322	(ii) except as provided in Subsection (2)(b), the area has an average population density
323	of fewer than seven people per square mile.
324	(b) Subject to Subsection (1)(c), an area that does not comply with Subsection (2)(a)(iii
325	may incorporate under this part if the noncompliance is necessary to connect separate areas that
326	share a demonstrable community interest.
327	(3) Subject to Subsection (1)(c), an area incorporating under this part may not include
328	land owned by the United States federal government unless:
329	(a) incorporating the land is necessary to connect separate areas that share a
330	demonstrable community interest; or
331	(b) excluding the land from the incorporating area would create an unincorporated
332	island within the proposed municipality.
333	(4) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(b), an area incorporating under this part
334	may not include some or all of an area proposed for annexation in an annexation petition under
335	Section 10-2-403 that:
336	(i) was filed before the filing of the request for a feasibility study, described in Section
337	10-2a-202, relating to the incorporating area; and

338	(ii) is still pending on the date the request for the feasibility study described in
339	Subsection (4)(a)(i) is filed.
340	(b) A request for a feasibility study may propose for incorporation an area that includes
341	some or all of an area proposed for annexation in an annexation petition described in
342	Subsection (4)(a) if:
343	(i) the proposed annexation area that is part of the area proposed for incorporation does
344	not exceed 20% of the area proposed for incorporation;
345	(ii) the request complies with Subsections 10-2a-202(1) and (2) with respect to
346	excluding the proposed annexation area from the area proposed for incorporation; and
347	(iii) excluding the area proposed for annexation from the area proposed for
348	incorporation would not cause the area proposed for incorporation to not be contiguous under
349	Subsection (1)(c).
350	(c) Except as provided in Section 10-2a-206, the lieutenant governor shall consider
351	each request to which Subsection (4)(b) applies as not proposing the incorporation of an area
352	proposed for annexation.
353	Section 6. Section 10-2a-202 is amended to read:
354	10-2a-202. Request for feasibility study Requirements Limitations.
355	(1) The process to incorporate a contiguous area of a county as a [city] municipality is
356	initiated by an individual filing a request for a feasibility study [filed] with the Office of the
357	Lieutenant Governor[-] that:
358	[(2) Each request under Subsection (1) shall:]
359	(a) [be] is signed by the owners of private real property that:
360	(i) is located within the area proposed to be incorporated;
361	(ii) covers at least 10% of the total private land area within the area; and
362	(iii) is equal in value to at least 7% of the value of all private real property within the
363	area;
364	(b) [indicate] indicates the typed or printed name and current residence address of each
365	owner signing the request;
366	(c) [describe] describes the contiguous area proposed to be incorporated as a [city]
367	municipality;
368	(d) [designate] designates up to five signers of the request as sponsors, one of whom

369 [shall be] is designated as the contact sponsor, with the mailing address and telephone number 370 of each; 371 (e) [be] is accompanied by and circulated with an accurate map or plat, prepared by a 372 licensed surveyor, showing a legal description of the boundaries of the proposed [city] 373 municipality; and 374 (f) [request] requests the lieutenant governor to commission a study to determine the 375 feasibility of incorporating the area as a [city] municipality. 376 [(3)] (2) A request for a feasibility study under this section may not propose for 377 incorporation an area that includes some or all of an area that is the subject of a completed 378 feasibility study or supplemental feasibility study whose results comply with Subsection 379 $[\frac{10-2a-208(3)}{10-2a-205(6)(a)}]$ 10-2a-205(6)(a) unless: 380 (a) the proposed incorporation that is the subject of the completed feasibility study or 381 supplemental feasibility study has been defeated by the voters at an election under Section 382 10-2a-210; or 383 (b) the time [provided under] described in Subsection 10-2a-208(1) for filing an 384 incorporation petition based on the completed feasibility study or supplemental feasibility study 385 has elapsed without [the filing of a petition] the sponsors filing an incorporation petition under 386 Section 10-2a-208. 387 [(4) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(b), a request under this section may not 388 propose for incorporation an area that includes some or all of an area proposed for annexation 389 in an annexation petition under Section 10-2-403 that: 390 [(i) was filed before the filing of the request; and] 391 [(ii) is still pending on the date the request is filed.] [(b) Notwithstanding Subsection (4)(a), a request may propose for incorporation an 392 393 area that includes some or all of an area proposed for annexation in an annexation petition 394 described in Subsection (4)(a) if:] 395 (i) the proposed annexation area that is part of the area proposed for incorporation 396 does not exceed 20% of the area proposed for incorporation; 397 (ii) the request complies with Subsections (2) and (3) with respect to the area 398 proposed for incorporation excluding the proposed annexation area; and 399 (iii) excluding the area proposed for annexation from the area proposed for

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400 incorporation would not cause the area proposed for incorporation to lose its contiguousness. 401 [(c) Except as provided in Section 10-2a-206, each request to which Subsection (4)(b) 402 applies shall be considered as not proposing the incorporation of the area proposed for 403 annexation. 404 (3) Sponsors may not file a request under this section regarding the incorporation of a 405 town if the cumulative private real property that the sponsors own exceeds 40% of the total 406 private land area within the boundaries of the proposed town. 407 Section 7. Section **10-2a-203** is amended to read: 408 10-2a-203. Notice to owner of property -- Exclusion of property from proposed 409 boundaries. 410 (1) As used in this section: (a) "Assessed value" with respect to property means the value at which the property 411 412 would be assessed without regard to a valuation for agricultural use under Section 59-2-503. 413 (b) "Owner" means a person having an interest in real property, including an affiliate, 414 subsidiary, or parent company. 415 [(c) "Urban" means an area with a residential density of greater than one unit per acre.] 416 (2) Within seven calendar days [of the date] after the day on which an individual files a 417 request under Section 10-2a-202 [is filed], the lieutenant governor shall send written notice of 418 the proposed incorporation to each record owner of real property owning more than: 419 (a) 1% of the assessed value of all property in the proposed incorporation boundaries; 420 or 421 (b) 10% of the total private land area within the proposed incorporation boundaries. 422 (3) If an owner owns, controls, or manages more than 1% of the assessed value of all 423 property in the proposed incorporation boundaries, or owns, controls, or manages 10% or more 424 of the total private land area in the proposed incorporation boundaries, the owner may request 425 that the lieutenant governor exclude all or part of the property owned, controlled, or managed 426 by the owner from the proposed boundaries by filing a [Notice of Exclusion] notice of 427 exclusion with the Office of the Lieutenant Governor: 428 (a) that describes the property for which the owner requests exclusion; and 429 (b) within 15 calendar days [of receiving the clerk's notice under] after the day on 430 which the owner receives the notice described in Subsection (2).

431	(4) The fleutenant governor shall exclude the property identified by an owner [m the
432	Notice of Exclusion] under Subsection (3) from the proposed incorporation boundaries unless
433	the lieutenant governor finds by clear and convincing evidence [in the record] that:
434	(a) the exclusion will leave an unincorporated island within the proposed municipality;
435	and
436	(b) the property [to be excluded: (i) is urban; and (ii) currently] receives from the
437	county a majority of [municipal-type services including:] currently provided municipal
438	services.
439	[(A) culinary or irrigation water;]
440	[(B) sewage collection or treatment;]
441	[(C) storm drainage or flood control;]
442	[(D) recreational facilities or parks;]
443	[(E) electric generation or transportation;]
444	[(F) construction or maintenance of local streets and roads;]
445	[(G) curb and gutter or sidewalk maintenance;]
446	[(H) garbage and refuse collection; and]
447	[(I) street lighting.]
448	[(5) This section applies only to counties of the first or second class.]
449	[(6) If the lieutenant governor excludes property from the proposed boundaries under
450	Subsection (4), the lieutenant governor shall, within five days of the exclusion, send written
451	notice of the exclusion to the contact sponsor.]
452	(5) Within five days after the day on which the lieutenant governor makes a
453	determination on whether to exclude a property under Subsection (4), the lieutenant governor
454	shall mail or transmit to the owner that requested the property's exclusion and to the contact
455	sponsor written notice of whether the property is excluded from the proposed incorporation
456	boundaries.
457	Section 8. Section 10-2a-204 is amended to read:
458	10-2a-204. Processing a request for incorporation Certification or rejection by
459	lieutenant governor Processing priority Determination by the Utah Population
460	Committee.
461	(1) Within 45 days [of the filing of a request] after the day on which an individual files

462	<u>a request</u> under Section 10-2a-202, the lieutenant governor shall:
463	(a) with the assistance of other county officers of the county in which the incorporation
464	is proposed from whom the lieutenant governor requests assistance, determine whether the
465	request complies with Section 10-2a-202; and
466	(b) (i) if the lieutenant governor determines that the request complies with Section
467	10-2a-202:
468	(A) certify the request; [and]
469	(B) [mail or deliver] transmit written notification of the certification to the contact
470	sponsor; [or] <u>and</u>
471	(C) transmit written notification of the certification to the Utah Population Committee;
472	<u>or</u>
473	(ii) if the lieutenant governor determines that the request fails to comply with Section
474	10-2a-202 [requirements], reject the request and notify the contact sponsor in writing of the
475	rejection and the reasons for the rejection.
476	(2) (a) Within 20 days after the day on which the lieutenant governor transmits written
477	notification under Subsection (1)(b)(i)(C), the Utah Population Committee shall:
478	(i) determine whether, on the date the sponsors filed the request under Section
479	10-2a-202 for the proposed municipality, the proposed municipality complied with the
480	population, population density, and contiguity requirements described in Section 10-2a-201.5;
481	<u>and</u>
482	(ii) provide the determination to the lieutenant governor.
483	(b) If the Utah Population Committee determines that a proposed municipality does not
484	comply with the population, population density, or contiguity requirements described in
485	Section 10-2a-201.5, the lieutenant governor shall rescind the certification described in
486	Subsection (1)(b)(i) and reject the application in accordance with Subsection (1)(b)(ii).
487	[(2)] (3) The lieutenant governor shall certify or reject requests under Subsection (1) in
488	the order in which [they] the requests are filed.
489	[(3)] (4) (a) (i) If the lieutenant governor rejects a request under Subsection (1)(b)(ii),
490	the [request may be amended] sponsors may, subject to Section 10-2a-206, amend the request
491	to correct the deficiencies for which [it was rejected and then refiled] the lieutenant governor
492	rejected the request and refile the request with the lieutenant governor.

493	[(ii) A signature on a request under Section 10-2a-202 may be used toward fulfilling
494	the signature requirement of Subsection 10-2a-202(2)(a) for the request as modified under
495	Subsection (3)(a)(i).]
496	(ii) The sponsors shall submit any amended request within 90 days after the day on
497	which the lieutenant governor rejects the request under Subsection (1)(b)(ii).
498	(iii) The sponsors may reuse a signature described in Subsection 10-2a-202(1)(a) that is
499	on a rejected request or on an amended request described in Subsection (4)(a)(i).
500	(b) [If a request is] The lieutenant governor shall consider a request that is amended
501	and refiled under Subsection [(3)(a) after having been rejected by the lieutenant governor under
502	Subsection (1)(b)(ii), it shall be considered as a newly filed request, and its processing priority
503	is determined by the date on which it is refiled] (4)(a) as a newly filed request and process the
504	request in accordance with Subsection (3).
505	Section 9. Section 10-2a-205 is amended to read:
506	10-2a-205. Feasibility study Feasibility study consultant Qualifications for
507	proceeding with incorporation.
508	(1) Within 90 days [of receipt of a certified request] after the day on which the
509	lieutenant governor receives a request that the lieutenant governor certifies under Subsection
510	10-2a-204(1)(b)(i), the lieutenant governor shall engage [the] a feasibility consultant [chosen
511	under] selected, in accordance with Subsection (2), to conduct a feasibility study.
512	[(2) The feasibility consultant shall be chosen:]
513	[(a) (i) by the contact sponsor of the incorporation petition with the consent of the
514	lieutenant governor; or]
515	[(ii) by the lieutenant governor if the designated sponsors state, in writing, that the
516	contact sponsor defers selection of the feasibility consultant to the lieutenant governor; and]
517	[(b) in accordance with applicable procurement procedures.]
518	(2) (a) The lieutenant governor shall select a feasibility consultant in accordance with
519	Title 63G, Chapter 6a, Utah Procurement Code.
520	(b) The lieutenant governor shall ensure that a feasibility consultant selected under
521	Subsection (2)(a):
522	(i) has expertise in the processes and economics of local government; and
523	(ii) is not affiliated with:

524	(A) a sponsor of the feasibility study request to which the feasibility study relates; or
525	(B) the county in which the proposed municipality is located.
526	(3) The lieutenant governor shall require the feasibility consultant to:
527	[(a) complete the feasibility study and submit the written results to the lieutenant
528	governor,]
529	(a) submit a draft of the feasibility study to each applicable person with whom the
530	feasibility consultant is required to consult under Subsection (4)(c) within 90 days after the day
531	on which the lieutenant governor engages the feasibility consultant to conduct the study;
532	(b) allow each person to whom the consultant provides a draft under Subsection (3)(a)
533	to review and provide comment on the draft;
534	(c) submit a completed feasibility study, including a one-page summary of the results,
535	to the following within 120 days after the day on which the lieutenant governor engages the
536	feasibility consultant to conduct the study:
537	(i) the lieutenant governor;
538	(ii) the county legislative body of the county in which the incorporation is proposed[,
539	and];
540	(iii) the contact sponsor [no later than 90 days after the feasibility consultant is engaged
541	to conduct the study]; and
542	(iv) each person to whom the consultant provided a draft under Subsection (3)(a); and
543	[(b) submit with the full written results of the feasibility study a summary of the results
544	no longer than one page in length; and]
545	[(c)] (d) attend the public hearings [under Subsection 10-2a-207(1) and] described in
546	Section 10-2a-207 to present the feasibility study results and respond to questions from the
547	public [at those hearings].
548	[(4) (a) The feasibility study shall consider:]
549	(4) (a) The feasibility consultant shall ensure that the feasibility study includes:
550	(i) an analysis of the population and population density within the area proposed for
551	incorporation and the surrounding area;
552	[(ii) current and five-year projections of demographics and economic base in]
553	(ii) the current and projected five-year demographics and tax base within the
554	boundaries of the proposed [eity] municipality and surrounding area, including household size

and income, commercial and industrial development, and public facilities;
[(iii) projected growth in the proposed city and in adjacent areas during the next five
years;]
[(iv) subject to Subsection (4)(b), the present and five-year projections of the cost,
including overhead, of governmental services in the proposed city, including:
[(A) culinary water;]
[(B) secondary water;]
[(C) sewer;]
[(D) law enforcement;]
[(E) fire protection;]
[(F) roads and public works;]
[(G) garbage;]
[(H) weeds; and]
[(I) government offices;]
(iii) subject to Subsection (4)(b), the current and five-year projected cost of providing
municipal services to the proposed municipality, including administrative costs;
[(v)] (iv) assuming the same tax categories and tax rates as currently imposed by the
county and all other current service providers, the present and five-year projected revenue for
the proposed [city] municipality;
[(vi) a projection of any new taxes per household]
(v) an analysis of the risks and opportunities that might affect the actual costs described
in Subsection (4)(a)(iii) or revenues described in Subsection (4)(a)(iv) of the newly
incorporated municipality;
(vi) an analysis of new revenue sources that may be available to the newly incorporated
municipality that are not available before the area incorporates, including an analysis of the
amount of revenues the municipality might obtain from those revenue sources;
(vii) the projected tax burden per household of any new taxes that may be levied within
the [incorporated area] proposed municipality within five years [of] after incorporation; [and]
[(vii)] (viii) the fiscal impact of the municipality's incorporation on unincorporated
areas, other municipalities, local districts, special service districts, and other governmental
entities in the county[-]; and

586	(ix) if the lieutenant governor excludes property from the proposed municipality under
587	Section 10-2a-203, an update to the map and legal description described in Subsection
588	<u>10-2a-202(1)(e).</u>
589	(b) (i) For purposes of Subsection (4)(a)[(iv)](iii), the feasibility consultant shall
590	assume the proposed municipality will provide a level and quality of [governmental services to
591	be provided to the proposed city in the future] municipal services that fairly and reasonably
592	approximate the level and quality of [governmental] municipal services [being] that are
593	provided to the area of the proposed [city at the time of] municipality at the time the feasibility
594	consultant conducts the feasibility study.
595	(ii) In determining the present cost of a [governmental service] municipal service, the
596	feasibility consultant shall consider:
597	(A) the amount it would cost the proposed [eity] municipality to provide
598	[governmental] the municipal service for the first five years after the municipality's
599	incorporation; and
600	(B) the [county's] current municipal service provider's present and five-year projected
601	cost of providing [governmental] the municipal service.
602	[(iii) The costs calculated under Subsection (4)(a)(iv), shall take into account inflation
603	and anticipated growth.]
604	(iii) In calculating costs under Subsection (4)(a)(iii), the feasibility consultant shall
605	account for inflation and anticipated growth.
606	(c) In conducting the feasibility study, the feasibility consultant shall consult with the
607	following before submitting a draft of the feasibility study under Subsection (3)(a):
608	(i) if the proposed municipality will include lands owned by the United States federal
609	government, the entity within the United States federal government that has jurisdiction over
610	the land;
611	(ii) if the proposed municipality will include lands owned by the state, the entity within
612	state government that has jurisdiction over the land;
613	(iii) each entity that provides a municipal service to a portion of the proposed
614	municipality; and
615	(iv) any other special service district that provides services to a portion of the proposed
616	municipality.

(5) If the [five year] five-year projected revenues calculated under Subsection
(4)(a)[(v)](<u>iv)</u> exceed the [five year] <u>five-year</u> projected costs <u>calculated</u> under Subsection
(4)(a)[(iv)](iii) by more than 5%, the feasibility consultant shall project and report the expected
annual revenue surplus to the contact sponsor and the lieutenant governor.
(6) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (6)(b), if the results of the feasibility study, or
a supplemental feasibility study described in Section 10-2a-206, show that the average annual
amount of revenue calculated under Subsection (4)(a)(iv) does not exceed the average annual
cost calculated under Subsection (4)(a)(iii) by more than 5%, the process to incorporate the
area that is the subject of the feasibility study or supplemental feasibility study may not
proceed.
(b) The process to incorporate an area described in Subsection (6)(a) may proceed if a
subsequent supplemental feasibility study conducted under Section 10-2a-206 for the proposed
incorporation demonstrates compliance with Subsection (6)(a).
[(6)] (7) If the results of the feasibility study or revised feasibility study do not [meet
the requirements of Subsection 10-2a-208(3)] comply with Subsection (6), and if requested by
the sponsors of the request, the feasibility consultant shall, as part of the feasibility study or
revised feasibility study [and if requested by the sponsors of the request], make
recommendations [as to] regarding how the boundaries of the proposed [city] municipality may
be altered [so that the requirements of Subsection 10-2a-208(3) may be met] to comply with
Subsection (6).
(8) The lieutenant governor shall post a copy of the feasibility study, and any
supplemental feasibility study described in Section 10-2a-206, on the lieutenant governor's
website and make a copy available for public review at the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.
Section 10. Section 10-2a-206 is amended to read:
10-2a-206. Modified request for feasibility study Supplemental feasibility
study.
(1) (a) [(i)] The sponsors of a <u>feasibility study</u> request may modify the request to alter
the boundaries of the proposed [city and then refile the request, as modified,] municipality and
refile the modified request with the lieutenant governor if:
[(A)] (i) the results of the feasibility study do not [meet the requirements of Subsection
10-2a-208(3)] comply with Subsection 10-2a-205(6)(a); or

648 [(B) (I)] (ii) (A) the request [meets the conditions of] complies with Subsection 649 $[\frac{10-2a-202}{10-2a-201.5(4)(b)};$ 650 [(H)] (B) the annexation petition that proposed the annexation of an area that is part of 651 the area proposed for incorporation has been denied; and 652 [(HH)] (C) an incorporation petition based on the request has not been filed. 653 [(ii) (A)] (b) (i) [A] The sponsors of a feasibility study request may not file a modified 654 request under Subsection (1)(a)(i)[(A) may not be filed] more than 90 days after the [feasibility 655 consultant's submission of the results of the study day on which the feasibility consultant 656 submits the final results of the feasibility study under Subsection 10-2a-205(3)(c). 657 [(B)] (ii) [A] The sponsors of a request may not file a modified request under Subsection [(1)(a)(i)(B) may not be filed] (1)(a)(ii) more than 18 months after [the filing of] 658 659 filing the original request under Section 10-2a-202. 660 [(b)] (c) (i) Subject to Subsection (1)[(b)](c)(ii), each modified request under Subsection (1)(a) shall comply with [the requirements of Subsections 10-2a-202(2), (3), and 661 662 (4) Subsections 10-2a-202(1) and (2) and Subsection 10-2a-201.5(4). 663 (ii) Notwithstanding Subsection (1)[(b)](c)(i), a signature on a request filed under Section 10-2a-202 may be used toward fulfilling the signature requirement of Subsection 664 10-2a-202[(2)](1)(a) for the request as modified under Subsection (1)(a), unless the modified 665 666 request proposes the incorporation of an area that is more than 20% [greater] larger or smaller than the area described by the original request in terms of: 667 668 (A) private land area; or 669 (B) value of private real property. 670 (2) Within 20 days after the lieutenant governor's receipt of the modified request, the 671 lieutenant governor shall follow the same procedure under Subsection 10-2a-204(1) for the 672 modified request as [provided under Subsection 10-2a-204(1)] for an original request. 673 (3) The timely filing of a modified request under Subsection (1) gives the modified 674 request the same processing priority under Subsection $10-2a-204[\frac{(2)}{(2)}](3)$ as the original request. (4) Within 10 days after the day on which the lieutenant [governor's receipt of a 675 676 certified governor receives a modified request under Subsection (1)(a)(i)(A) or a certified 677 modified request under Subsection (1)(a)(i)(B) that was filed after the completion of a 678 feasibility study on the original request that relates to a request for which a feasibility study

has already been completed, the lieutenant governor shall commission the feasibility consultant who conducted the feasibility study to [supplement the feasibility study to take into account the information in the modified request that was not included in the original request] conduct a supplemental feasibility study that accounts for the modified request. (5) The lieutenant governor shall require the feasibility consultant to [complete the supplemental feasibility study and to submit written results of the supplemental study to the lieutenant governor and to the contact sponsor no later than 30 days after the feasibility consultant is commissioned to conduct the supplemental feasibility study.]: (a) submit a draft of the supplemental feasibility study to each applicable person with whom the feasibility consultant is required to consult under Subsection 10-2a-205(4)(c) within 30 days after the day on which the feasibility consultant is engaged to conduct the supplemental study; (b) allow each person to whom the consultant provided a draft under Subsection (5)(a) to review and provide comment on the draft; and (c) submit a completed supplemental feasibility study, to the following within 45 days after the day on which the feasibility consultant is engaged to conduct the study: (i) the lieutenant governor; (ii) the county legislative body of the county in which the incorporation is proposed; (iii) the contact sponsor; and (iv) each person to whom the consultant provided a draft under Subsection (5)(a).

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- (6) (a) Subject to Subsection (6)(b), if the results of the supplemental feasibility study do not [meet the requirements of Subsection 10-2a-208(3):(i) the sponsors may file a further modified request as provided in Subsection (1); and comply with Subsection 10-2a-205(6)(a), the sponsors may further modify the request in accordance with Subsection (1).
- [(ii)] (b) Subsections (2), (4), and (5) apply to a [further] modified request [under] described in Subsection (6)(a)[(i)].
- (b) A further modified request under Subsection (6)(a) shall, for purposes of its processing priority, be considered as an original request for a feasibility study under Section 10-2a-202.]
- (c) The lieutenant governor shall consider a modified request described in Subsection (6)(a) as an original request for a feasibility study for purposes of determining the modified

/10	requests processing priority under Subsection 10-2a-204(3).
711	Section 11. Section 10-2a-207 is amended to read:
712	10-2a-207. Public hearings on feasibility study results Notice of hearings.
713	(1) If the results of the feasibility study or supplemental feasibility study [meet the
714	requirements of comply with Subsection [10-2a-208(3)] 10-2a-205(6)(a), the lieutenant
715	governor shall, after receipt of the results of the feasibility study or supplemental feasibility
716	study, [schedule] conduct at least two public hearings [to be held]:
717	(a) within [the following] 60 days after [receipt of] the day on which the lieutenant
718	governor receives the results;
719	(b) at least seven days apart;
720	(c) except in a proposed municipality that will be a city of the fifth class or a town, in
721	geographically diverse locations;
722	(d) within or near the proposed [eity; and] municipality;
723	[(d) for the purpose of allowing:]
724	[(i)] (e) to allow the feasibility consultant to present the results of the feasibility study;
725	and
726	[(ii) the public to become informed about the feasibility study results and to ask
727	questions about those results of the feasibility consultant.]
728	(f) to inform the public about the results of the feasibility study.
729	(2) At [a] each public hearing described in Subsection (1), the lieutenant governor
730	shall:
731	(a) provide a map or plat of the boundary of the proposed [city] municipality;
732	(b) provide a copy of the feasibility study for public review; [and]
733	(c) allow members of the public to express [its] views about the proposed
734	incorporation, including [its view] views about the proposed [boundary.] boundaries; and
735	(d) allow the public to ask the feasibility consultant questions about the feasibility
736	study.
737	(3) (a) (i) The lieutenant governor shall publish notice of the public hearings [required
738	under] described in Subsection (1):
739	(A) at least once a week for three [successive] consecutive weeks before the first
740	hearing in a newspaper of general circulation within the proposed [city] municipality; and

(B) <u>for three weeks before the first hearing</u> on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63F-1-701[, for three weeks].

- (ii) The last [publication of] notice required to be published under Subsection (3)(a)(i)(A) shall be published at least three days before the first public hearing [required under] described in Subsection (1).
- (b) (i) If, under Subsection (3)(a)(i)(A), there is no newspaper of general circulation within the proposed [city] municipality, the lieutenant governor shall post at least one notice of the hearings per 1,000 population in conspicuous places within the proposed [city] municipality that are most likely to give notice of the hearings to the residents of the proposed [city] municipality.
- (ii) The lieutenant governor shall post the notices [under] described in Subsection (3)(b)(i) at least seven days before the first hearing [under] described in Subsection (1).
- (c) The notice [under] described in Subsections (3)(a) and (b) shall include the feasibility study summary [under] described in Subsection 10-2a-205(3)[(b)](c) and shall indicate that a full copy of the study is available [for inspection and copying] on the lieutenant governor's website and for inspection at the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.
- [(d) The lieutenant governor shall post a copy of the feasibility study on the lieutenant governor's website and make a copy available for public review at the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.]
 - Section 12. Section 10-2a-208 is amended to read:
 - 10-2a-208. Incorporation petition -- Requirements and form.
- (1) At any time within one year [of the completion of] after the day on which the lieutenant governor completes the public hearings [required under Subsection 10-2a-207(1), a petition for incorporation of the area proposed to be incorporated as a city may be filed in the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.] described in Section 10-2a-207, individuals within the proposed municipality may proceed with the incorporation process by circulating and submitting to the lieutenant governor an incorporation petition that, to be certified under Subsection 10-2a-209(1)(b)(i), is required to be signed by:
- [(2) Each petition under Subsection (1) shall:]
- 770 [(a) be signed by:]

771 [(i)] (a) 10% of all registered voters within the area proposed to be incorporated as a

772	[city, according to the official voter registration list maintained by the county on] municipality,
773	as of the date the petition is filed; [and]
774	[(ii)] (b) if the petition proposes the incorporation of a city, and subject to Subsection
775	(4), 10% of all registered voters within[, subject to Subsection (5),] 90% of the voting precincts
776	within the area proposed to be incorporated as a city, [according to the official voter
777	registration list maintained by the county on] as of the date the petition is filed; and
778	(c) the owners of private real property that:
779	(i) is located within the proposed municipality;
780	(ii) covers at least 10% of the total private land area within the proposed municipality;
781	<u>and</u>
782	(iii) is equal in value to at least 7% of the value of all private real property within the
783	proposed municipality.
784	(2) The petition sponsors shall ensure that the petition:
785	[(b)] (a) [indicate] includes the typed or printed name and current residence address of
786	each [owner signing] voter that signs the petition;
787	[(e)] (b) [describe] describes the area proposed to be incorporated as a [eity]
788	municipality, as described in the feasibility study request or modified request that [meets the
789	requirements of Subsection (3)] complies with Subsection 10-2a-205(6)(a);
790	[(d)] (c) [state] states the proposed name for the proposed [city] municipality;
791	[(e)] (d) [designate] designates five signers of the petition as petition sponsors, one of
792	whom [shall be] is designated as the contact sponsor, with the mailing address and telephone
793	number of each;
794	[(f)] (e) [state] if the sponsors propose the incorporation of a city, states that the signers
795	of the petition appoint the sponsors, if the incorporation measure passes, to represent the
796	signers in [the process of]:
797	(i) selecting the number of commission or council members the new city will have; and
798	(ii) drawing district boundaries for the election of [commission or] council members, if
799	the voters decide to elect [commission or] council members by district;
800	[(g)] (f) [be] is accompanied by and circulated with an accurate plat or map, prepared
801	by a licensed surveyor, showing the boundaries of the proposed [city] municipality; and
802	[(h)] (g) substantially [comply] complies with and [be] is circulated in the following

form:

PETITION FOR INCORPORATION OF (insert the proposed name of the proposed [city] municipality)

To the Honorable Lieutenant Governor:

We, the undersigned [owners of real property] registered voters within the area described in this petition, respectfully petition the lieutenant governor to direct the county legislative body to submit to the registered voters residing within the area described in this petition, at the next regular general election, the question of whether the area should incorporate as a [city] municipality. Each of the undersigned affirms that each has personally signed this petition and is [an owner of real property] a registered voter who resides within the described area, and that the current residence address of each is correctly written after the signer's name. The area proposed to be incorporated as a [city] municipality is described as follows: (insert an accurate description of the area proposed to be incorporated).

- [(3) A petition for incorporation of a city under Subsection (1) may not be filed unless the results of the feasibility study or supplemental feasibility study show that the average annual amount of revenue under Subsection 10-2a-205(4)(a)(v) does not exceed the average annual amount of cost under Subsection 10-2a-205(4)(a)(iv) by more than 5%.]
- [(4)] (3) A <u>valid</u> signature on a request [under] <u>described in</u> Section 10-2a-202 or a modified request [under] <u>described in</u> Section 10-2a-206 may <u>not</u> be used toward fulfilling the signature requirement [of] <u>described in</u> Subsection [(2)(a)] (1):
- (a) if the request [under Section 10-2a-202 or modified request under Section 10-2a-206] notified the signer in conspicuous language that the signature, unless withdrawn, would also be used for [purposes of] a petition for incorporation under this section; and
- (b) unless the signer files with the lieutenant governor a written withdrawal of the signature before the petition <u>is filed</u> under this section [is filed] with the lieutenant governor.
- [(5)] (4) (a) A signature does not qualify [as a signature to meet the requirement described in Subsection (2)(a)(ii)] under Subsection (1)(b) if the signature is gathered from a voting precinct that:
- (i) except in a proposed municipality that will be a city of the fifth class, is not located entirely within the boundaries of [the] a proposed city; or
 - (ii) includes less than 50 registered voters.

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834 (b) A voting precinct that is not located entirely within the boundaries of the proposed 835 city does not qualify as a voting precinct [to meet the precinct requirements of Subsection 836 (2)(a)(ii) under Subsection (1)(b). 837 Section 13. Section 10-2a-209 is amended to read: 838 10-2a-209. Processing of petition by lieutenant governor -- Certification or 839 rejection -- Petition modification. 840 (1) Within 45 days [of the filing of a petition] after the day on which an incorporation 841 petition is filed under Section 10-2a-208, the lieutenant governor shall: 842 (a) with the assistance of other county officers of the county in which the incorporation is proposed, and from whom the lieutenant governor requests assistance, determine whether the 843 844 petition [meets the requirements of] complies with Section 10-2a-208; and 845 (b) (i) if the lieutenant governor determines that the petition [meets those requirements] 846 complies with Section 10-2a-208, certify the petition and notify in writing the contact sponsor 847 of the certification; or 848 (ii) if the lieutenant governor determines that the petition fails to [meet any of those requirements] comply with Section 10-2a-208, reject the petition and notify the contact sponsor 849 850 in writing of the rejection and the reasons for the rejection. 851 (2) (a) If the lieutenant governor rejects a petition under Subsection (1)(b)(ii), the 852 petition [may be modified to] sponsors may correct the deficiencies for which [it] the petition 853 was rejected and [then refiled] refile the petition with the lieutenant governor. 854 (b) [A] Notwithstanding the deadline described in Subsection 10-2a-208(1), the 855 petition sponsors may file a modified petition under Subsection (2)(a) [may be filed at any time 856 until no later than 30 days after the day on which the lieutenant governor notifies the contact 857 sponsor of rejection under Subsection (1)(b)(ii)[, even though the modified petition is filed 858 after the expiration of the deadline provided in Subsection 10-2a-208(1)]. 859 (c) A valid signature on an incorporation petition [under] described in Section 860 10-2a-208 may be used toward fulfilling the signature requirement [of Subsection 861 10-2a-208(2)(a) for the petition as described in Subsection 10-2a-208(1) for a petition that is 862 modified under Subsection (2)(a).

(3) (a) Within 20 days [of the lieutenant governor's receipt of] after the day on which

the lieutenant governor receives a modified petition under Subsection (2)(a), the lieutenant

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803	governor shall f romow the same procedure for the mounted petition as provided under
866	Subsection (1) for an original petition <u>review</u> the modified petition in accordance with
867	Subsection (1).
868	[(b) If the lieutenant governor rejects a modified petition under Subsection (1)(b)(ii),
869	no further modification of that petition may be filed.]
870	(b) The sponsors of an incorporation petition may not modify the petition more than
871	once.
872	Section 14. Section 10-2a-210 is amended to read:
873	10-2a-210. Incorporation election.
874	[(1) (a) Upon receipt of a certified petition under Subsection 10-2a-209(1)(b)(i) or a
875	certified modified petition under Subsection 10-2a-209(3), the lieutenant governor shall:
876	[(i) determine and set an election date for the incorporation election that is:]
877	[(A) on a regular general election date under Section 20A-1-201 or on a local special
878	election date under Section 20A-1-203; and]
879	[(B) at least 65 days after the day that the lieutenant governor receives the certified
880	petition; and]
881	(1) (a) If the lieutenant governor certifies a petition under Subsection 10-2a-209(1)(b),
882	the lieutenant governor shall schedule an incorporation election for the proposed municipality
883	described in the petition to be held on the date of the next regular general election described in
884	Section 20A-1-201, or the next municipal general election described in Section 20A-1-202, that
885	is at least 65 days after the day on which the lieutenant governor certifies the petition.
886	[(ii)] (b)(i) The lieutenant governor shall direct the county legislative body of the
887	county in which the [incorporation is] proposed municipality is located to hold the election on
888	the date [determined by] that the lieutenant governor [in accordance with] schedules under
889	Subsection $(1)(a)[\frac{(i)}{2}]$.
890	[(b)] (ii) The county shall hold the election as directed by the lieutenant governor [in
891	accordance with Subsection (1)(a)(ii)] under Subsection (1)(b)(i).
892	[(c) Unless a person is a registered voter who resides, as defined in Section 20A-1-102,
893	within the boundaries of the proposed city, the person may not vote on the proposed
894	incorporation.]
895	(2) (a) [The] Except as provided in Subsection (2)(d)(i), the county clerk shall publish

896 notice of the election:

(i) at least once a week for three consecutive weeks before the hearing in a newspaper of general circulation within [the area proposed to be incorporated at least once a week for three successive weeks] the proposed municipality; and

- (ii) <u>for three weeks before the hearing</u> in accordance with Section 45-1-101 [for three weeks].
- (b) The notice [required by Subsection (2)(a)] described in Subsections (2)(a) and (d) shall contain:
 - (i) a [statement] description of the contents of the petition;
 - (ii) a description of the area proposed to be incorporated as a [eity] municipality;
- (iii) a statement of the date and time of the election and the location of polling places; and
- (iv) the feasibility study summary [under] described in Subsection 10-2a-205(3)[(b)](c) and a statement that a full copy of the study is available on the lieutenant governor's website and for inspection [and copying] at the Office of the Lieutenant Governor.
- (c) The last [publication of] notice required to be published under Subsection (2)(a) shall [occur] be published at least one day, but no more than seven days, before the election.
- (d) (i) [In accordance with Subsection (2)(a)(i), if] If there is no newspaper of general circulation within the proposed [city] municipality, the county clerk shall post at least one notice of the election, and at least one additional notice of the election per 1,000 population of the proposed municipality, in conspicuous places within the proposed [city] municipality that are most likely to give notice of the election to the voters of the proposed [city] municipality.
- (ii) The clerk shall post the notices [under] described in Subsection (2)(d)(i) at least seven days before the election [under Subsection (1)].
- (3) An individual may not vote in an incorporation election under this section unless the individual is a registered voter who resides, as defined in Section 20A-1-102, within the boundaries of the proposed municipality.
- [(3)] (4) If a majority of those [easting votes within the area boundaries of the proposed city vote to incorporate as a city,] who vote in an incorporation election held under this section cast votes in favor of incorporation, the area shall incorporate.
 - Section 15. Section 10-2a-211 is amended to read:

927	10-2a-211. Ballot used in incorporation election.
928	(1) (a) The ballot [at the] used in an incorporation election [under Subsection
929	10-2a-210(1)] described in Section 10-2a-210 shall pose the incorporation question
930	substantially as follows:
931	"Shall the area described as (insert a description of the proposed [city] municipality) be
932	incorporated as [the city of] (insert the proposed name of the proposed [city] municipality)?"
933	[(2)] (b) The ballot shall provide a space for the voter to answer "yes" or "no" to the
934	question described in Subsection (1)(a).
935	[(3) (a)] (2) The ballot [at the] for an incorporation election for a proposed city shall
936	also <u>:</u>
937	(a) (i) pose the question relating to the form of government substantially as follows:
938	"If the above incorporation proposal passes, under what form of municipal government
939	shall (insert the name of the proposed city) operate? Vote for one:
940	Five-member council form
941	Six-member council form
942	Five-member council-mayor form
943	Seven-member council-mayor form."
944	[(b)] (ii) [The ballot shall] provide a space for the voter to vote for one form of
945	government[-]; and
946	[(4) (a) The ballot at the incorporation election shall also]
947	(b) (i) pose the question of whether to elect city council members by district
948	substantially as follows:
949	"If the above incorporation proposal passes, shall members of the city council of (insert
950	the name of the proposed city) be elected by district?"; and
951	[(b)] (ii) [The ballot shall] provide a space for the voter to answer "yes" or "no" to the
952	question described in Subsection $[(4)(a)]$ $(2)(b)(i)$.
953	Section 16. Section 10-2a-212 is amended to read:
954	10-2a-212. Notification to lieutenant governor of incorporation election results.
955	Within 10 days [of] after the day on which the county conducts a canvass of the
956	incorporation election, the county clerk shall send written notice to the lieutenant governor of:
957	(1) the results of the election; and

958	(2) if the incorporation measure passes[:(a)], the name of the [city; and] municipality.
959	[(b) the class of the city as provided under Section 10-2-301.]
960	Section 17. Section 10-2a-213 is amended to read:
961	10-2a-213. Determination of number of council members Determination of
962	election districts Hearings and notice.
963	(1) If the incorporation proposal passes, the petition sponsors shall, within [25 days of
964	the] 60 days after the day on which the county conducts the canvass of the election under
965	Section [10-2a-210] <u>10-2a-212</u> :
966	(a) for the incorporation of a city:
967	[(a)] (i) if the voters at the incorporation election choose the council-mayor form of
968	government, determine the number of council members that will constitute the <u>city</u> council of
969	the [future] city; and
970	[(b)] (ii) if the voters at the incorporation election vote to elect council members by
971	district, determine the number of council members to be elected by district and draw the
972	boundaries of those districts, which shall be substantially equal in population; and
973	(b) for the incorporation of any municipality:
974	[(c)] (i) determine the initial terms of the mayor and members of the [city] municipal
975	council so that:
976	[(i)] (A) the mayor and approximately half the members of the [eity] municipal council
977	are elected to serve an initial term, of no less than one year, that allows [their] the mayor's and
978	members' successors to serve a full four-year term that coincides with the schedule established
979	in Subsection 10-3-205(1); and
980	[(ii)] (B) the remaining members of the [city] municipal council are elected to serve an
981	initial term, of no less than one year, that allows [their] the members' successors to serve a full
982	four-year term that coincides with the schedule established in Subsection 10-3-205(2); and
983	[(d)] (ii) submit in writing to the county legislative body the results of the [sponsors'
984	determinations determinations made by the sponsors under Subsections (1)(a)[, (b), and (c)]
985	and (b)(i).
986	(2) A newly incorporated town shall operate under the five-member council form of
987	government as defined in Section 10-3b-102.
988	[(2)] (3) (a) Before making a determination under Subsection [(1)(a), (b), or (c)] (1)(a)

or (b)(i), the petition sponsors shall hold a public hearing within the future [city] municipality on the applicable issues [under] described in Subsections (1)(a)[, (b), and (c)] and (b)(i).

(b) (i) [The] Except as provided in Subsection (3)(c), the petition sponsors shall publish notice of the public hearing [under] described in Subsection [(2)] (3)(a):

- (A) <u>at least once a week for two consecutive weeks before the hearing</u> in a newspaper of general circulation within the future [city at least once a week for two successive weeks before the hearing] municipality; and
- (B) <u>for two weeks before the hearing</u> on the Utah Public Notice Website created in Section 63F-1-701[, for two weeks before the hearing].
- (ii) The last [publication of] notice required to be published under Subsection [(2)] (3)(b)(i)(A) shall be published at least three days before the public hearing [under] described in Subsection [(2)] (3)(a).
- (c) (i) [In accordance with Subsection (2)(b)(i)(A), if] If there is no newspaper of general circulation within the future [city] municipality, the petition sponsors shall post at least one notice of the hearing, and at least one additional notice of the hearing per 1,000 population of the proposed municipality, in conspicuous places within the future [city] municipality that are most likely to give notice of the hearing to the residents of the future [city] municipality.
- (ii) The petition sponsors shall post the notices [under] described in Subsection [(2)] (3)(c)(i) at least seven days before the hearing [under] described in Subsection [(2)] (3)(a).
 - Section 18. Section 10-2a-214 is amended to read:
- 10-2a-214. Notice of number of council members to be elected and of district boundaries -- Declaration of candidacy for municipal office.
- (1) (a) Within 20 days [of the county legislative body's receipt of the information] after the day on which a county legislative body receives the petition sponsors' determination under Subsection 10-2a-213(1)[(d)](b)(ii), the county clerk shall publish, in accordance with Subsection (1)(b), notice containing:
- (i) the number of [commission or] municipal council members to be elected for the new [city] municipality;
- (ii) if some or all of the [commission or] municipal council members are to be elected by district, a description of the boundaries of those districts [as designated by the petition sponsors under Subsection 10-2a-213(1)(b)];

1020	(iii) information about the deadline for [filing] an individual to file a declaration of
1021	candidacy [for those seeking to become candidates] to become a candidate for mayor or [city
1022	commission or] municipal council; and
1023	(iv) information about the length of the initial term of each of the [city officers, as
1024	determined by the petition sponsors under Subsection 10-2a-213(1)(c)] municipal officers.
1025	[(b) The notice under Subsection (1)(a) shall be published:]
1026	(b) Except as provided in Subsection (1)(c), the county clerk shall publish the notice
1027	described in Subsection (1)(a):
1028	(i) at least once a week for two consecutive weeks, before the deadline for filing a
1029	declaration of candidacy under Subsection (2), in a newspaper of general circulation within the
1030	future [city at least once a week for two successive weeks] municipality; and
1031	(ii) for two weeks, before the deadline for filing a declaration of candidacy under
1032	Subsection (2), in accordance with Section 45-1-101 [for two weeks].
1033	(c) (i) [In accordance with Subsection (1)(b)(i), if] If there is no newspaper of general
1034	circulation within the future [city] municipality, the county clerk shall post at least one notice
1035	described in Subsection (1)(a), and one additional notice described in Subsection (1)(a) per
1036	1,000 population of the proposed municipality, in conspicuous places within the future [city]
1037	municipality that are most likely to give notice to the residents of the future [city] municipality.
1038	[(ii) The notice under Subsection (1)(c)(i) shall contain the information required under
1039	Subsection (1)(a).]
1040	[(iii)] (ii) [The petition sponsors] The county clerk shall post the notices [under]
1041	described in Subsection (1)(c)(i) at least seven days before the deadline for filing a declaration
1042	of candidacy under Subsection (2).
1043	(2) Notwithstanding Subsection 20A-9-203(3)(a), each individual seeking to become a
1044	candidate for mayor or [city commission or] municipal council of a [city] municipality
1045	incorporating under this part shall file a declaration of candidacy with the clerk of the county in
1046	which the future [city] municipality is located and in accordance with [the deadlines set by the
1047	elerk as authorized by Section 10-2a-215.]:
1048	(a) for an incorporation held on the date of a regular general election, the deadlines for
1049	filing a declaration of candidacy under Section 20A-9-202; or
1050	(b) for an incorporation held on the date of a municipal general election, the deadlines

1051	for filing a declaration of candidacy under Section 20A-9-203.
1052	Section 19. Section 10-2a-215 is amended to read:
1053	10-2a-215. Election of officers of new municipality Primary and final election
1054	dates County clerk duties Candidate duties Occupation of office.
1055	(1) For the election of [city] municipal officers, the county legislative body shall:
1056	(a) unless a primary election is prohibited [by] under Subsection 20A-9-404(2), hold a
1057	primary election; and
1058	(b) unless the election may be cancelled in accordance with Section 20A-1-206, hold a
1059	final election.
1060	(2) Each election [under] described in Subsection (1) shall be held:
1061	(a) consistent with the petition sponsors' determination of the length of each council
1062	member's initial term; and
1063	(b) for the incorporation of a city:
1064	[(a)] (i) appropriate to the form of government chosen by the voters at the
1065	incorporation election;
1066	[(b)] (ii) consistent with the voters' decision about whether to elect [commission or]
1067	city council members by district and, if applicable, consistent with the boundaries of those
1068	districts as determined by the petition sponsors; and
1069	[(c)] (iii) consistent with the sponsors' determination of the number of [commission or]
1070	city council members to be elected [and the length of their initial term].
1071	(3) (a) Subject to Subsection (3)(b), and notwithstanding Subsection 20A-1-201.5(2),
1072	the primary election [under] described in Subsection (1)(a) shall be held at the earliest of the
1073	next:
1074	[(i) notwithstanding Subsection 20A-1-201.5(2), regular general election under Section
1075	20A-1-201;]
1076	[(ii)] (i) [notwithstanding Subsection 20A-1-201.5(2),] regular primary election [under]
1077	described in Subsection 20A-1-201.5(1); or
1078	[(iii)] (ii) municipal primary election [under] described in Section 20A-9-404[; or].
1079	[(iv) notwithstanding Subsection 20A-1-201.5(2), municipal general election under
1080	Section 20A-1-202.]
1081	(b) The county shall hold the primary election, if necessary, on the next [earliest]

1082 election date [listed in Subsection (3)(a)(i), (ii), (iii), or (iv) that is at least: (i) 75 days] 1083 described in Subsection (3)(a) that is after the incorporation election conducted under Section 1084 10-2a-210[; and]. 1085 (ii) 65 days after the last day of the candidate filing period. 1086 (4) (a) Subject to Subsection (4)(b), the county shall hold the final election [under] 1087 described in Subsection (1)(b) [on one of the following election dates]: 1088 (i) on the following election date that next follows the date of the incorporation 1089 election held under Subsection 10-2a-210(1)(a): 1090 [(i)] (ii) a regular general election [under] described in Section 20A-1-201; or 1091 [(ii) municipal primary election under Section 20A-9-404;] 1092 [(iii)] (iii) a regular municipal general election under Section 20A-1-202[; or]. 1093 (iv) regular primary election under Section 20A-1-201.5. 1094 (b) The county shall hold the final election on the earliest of the next election date that 1095 is listed in Subsection (4)(a)(i), (ii), or (iii)[, or (iv)]: (i) that is after a primary election; or 1096 1097 (ii) if there is no primary election, that is at least: 1098 (A) 75 days after the incorporation election under Section 10-2a-210; and 1099 (B) 65 days after the candidate filing period. 1100 (5) (a) (i) [The] Except as provided in Subsection (5)(b), the county clerk shall publish 1101 notice of an election conducted under this section: 1102 (A) at least once a week for two [successive] consecutive weeks before the election in 1103 a newspaper of general circulation within the future [city] municipality; and 1104 (B) for two weeks in accordance with Section 45-1-101 [for two weeks]. 1105 (ii) The [later] last notice required to be published under Subsection (5)(a)(i) shall be 1106 published at least one day, but no more than seven days, before the election. 1107 (b) (i) [In accordance with Subsection (5)(a)(i)(A), if If there is no newspaper of 1108 general circulation within the future [city] municipality, the county clerk shall post at least one 1109 notice of the election, and at least one additional notice of the election per 1,000 population in 1110 the proposed municipality, in conspicuous places within the future [city] municipality that are most likely to give notice of the election to the voters of the municipality. 1111

(ii) The county clerk shall post the notices [under] described in Subsection (5)(b)(i) at

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1113	least seven days before each election [under] described in Subsection (1).
1114	(6) [(a)] Until the [city] municipality is incorporated, the county clerk:
1115	[(i)] (a) is the election officer for all purposes [in an election of officers of the city
1116	approved at an incorporation election; and] related to the election of municipal officers;
1117	[(ii)] (b) may, as necessary, determine appropriate deadlines, procedures, and
1118	instructions related to the election of municipal officers for a new municipality that are not
1119	otherwise contrary to law[-];
1120	[(b)] (c) [The county clerk] shall require and determine deadlines for [the filing of]
1121	municipal office candidates to file campaign financial disclosures [of city officer candidates] in
1122	accordance with Section 10-3-208[-]; and
1123	[(c) The county clerk is responsible to ensure that:]
1124	[(i) a primary or final election for the officials of a newly incorporated city is held on a
1125	date authorized by this section; and]
1126	[(ii)] (d) shall ensure that the ballot for the election includes each office that is
1127	required to be included in the election for officers of the newly incorporated [eity and]
1128	municipality, including the term of each office.
1129	(7) [A person] An individual who has filed as a candidate for an office described in this
1130	section shall comply with:
1131	(a) the campaign finance disclosure requirements [of] described in Section 10-3-208;
1132	and
1133	(b) the requirements and deadlines [as lawfully set forth] established by the county
1134	clerk <u>under this section</u> .
1135	(8) Notwithstanding Section 10-3-201, the officers elected at a final election described
1136	in Subsection (4)(a) shall take office:
1137	(a) after taking the oath of office; and
1138	(b) at noon on the first Monday following the day on which the election official
1139	transmits a certificate of nomination or election under the officer's seal to each elected
1140	candidate in accordance with Subsection 20A-4-304(2)(c)(ii).
1141	Section 20. Section 10-2a-216 is amended to read:
1142	10-2a-216. Notification to lieutenant governor of election of municipal officers.
1143	Within 10 days [of] after the day on which the county conducts the canvass of the final

1144	election of [eity] municipal officers under Section 10-2a-215, the county clerk shall send
1145	written notice to the lieutenant governor of the name and position of each officer elected in a
1146	new municipality and the term for which each has been elected.
1147	Section 21. Section 10-2a-217 is amended to read:
1148	10-2a-217. Filing of notice and approved final local entity plat with lieutenant
1149	governor Effective date of incorporation Necessity of recording documents and effect
1150	of not recording.
1151	(1) The mayor of the future [city] municipality shall:
1152	(a) within 30 days after the day of the canvass of the final election of [eity] municipal
1153	officers under Section 10-2a-215, file with the lieutenant governor:
1154	(i) a copy of a notice of an impending boundary action, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5
1155	that [meets the requirements of] complies with Subsection 67-1a-6.5(3); and
1156	(ii) a copy of an approved final local entity plat, as defined in Section 67-1a-6.5; and
1157	(b) upon the lieutenant governor's issuance of a certificate of incorporation under
1158	Section 67-1a-6.5:
1159	(i) if the [city] municipality is located within the boundary of a single county, submit to
1160	the recorder of that county the original:
1161	(A) notice of an impending boundary action;
1162	(B) certificate of incorporation; and
1163	(C) approved final local entity plat; or
1164	(ii) if the [city] municipality is located within the boundaries of more than [a single]
1165	one county, submit the original of the documents [listed in Subsections (1)(b)(i)(A), (B), and
1166	(C)] described in Subsection (1)(b)(i) to one of those counties and a certified copy of those
1167	documents to each other county.
1168	(2) (a) The incorporation of a new municipality is effective upon the lieutenant
1169	governor's issuance of a certificate of incorporation under Section 67-1a-6.5.
1170	(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a [city] municipality is conclusively
1171	presumed to be lawfully incorporated and existing if, for two years following the [city's]
1172	municipality's incorporation:
1173	(i) (A) the [city] municipality has levied and collected a property tax; or
1174	(B) for a [city] municipality incorporated on or after July 1, 1998, the [city]

1175	municipality has imposed a sales and use tax; and
1176	(ii) no challenge to the existence or incorporation of the [eity] municipality has been
1177	filed in the district court for the county in which the [city] municipality is located.
1178	(3) (a) The effective date of an incorporation for purposes of assessing property within
1179	the new [city] municipality is governed by Section 59-2-305.5.
1180	(b) Until the documents listed in Subsection (1)(b) are recorded in the office of the
1181	recorder of each county in which the property is located, a newly incorporated [city]
1182	municipality may not:
1183	(i) levy or collect a property tax on property within the [city] municipality;
1184	(ii) levy or collect an assessment on property within the [city] municipality; or
1185	(iii) charge or collect a fee for service provided to property within the [city]
1186	municipality.
1187	Section 22. Section 10-2a-218 is amended to read:
1188	10-2a-218. Powers of officers-elect.
1189	(1) [Upon the] After the county conducts the canvass of the final election of [city]
1190	municipal officers under Section 10-2a-215, and until the future [city] municipality becomes
1191	legally incorporated, the officers of the future [city] municipality may:
1192	(a) prepare and adopt, under Chapter 6, Uniform Fiscal Procedures Act for Utah Cities
1193	a proposed budget and compilation of ordinances;
1194	(b) negotiate and make personnel contracts and hirings;
1195	(c) negotiate and make service contracts;
1196	(d) negotiate and make contracts to purchase equipment, materials, and supplies;
1197	(e) borrow funds from the county in which the future [city] municipality is located
1198	under Subsection 10-2a-219(3);
1199	(f) borrow funds for startup expenses of the future [city] municipality;
1200	(g) issue tax anticipation notes in the name of the future [eity] municipality; and
1201	(h) make appointments to the [city's] municipality's planning commission.
1202	(2) The [city's legislative body] municipal council shall review and ratify each contract
1203	made by [the officers] a municipal officer under Subsection (1) within 30 days after the day on
1204	which the municipality's incorporation is effective [date of incorporation] under Section
1205	10-2a-217.

1206	Section 23. Section 10-2a-219 is amended to read:
1207	10-2a-219. Division of municipal service revenues County may provide startup
1208	funds.
1209	(1) The county in which an area incorporating under this part is located shall, until the
1210	[date of the city's] day on which the municipality's incorporation is effective under Section
1211	10-2a-217, continue <u>to</u> :
1212	(a) [to] levy and collect ad valorem property tax and other revenues from or pertaining
1213	to the future [city] municipality; and
1214	(b) except as otherwise agreed by the county and the officers of the [eity] municipality,
1215	to provide the same services to the future [city] municipality as the county provided before the
1216	commencement of the incorporation proceedings.
1217	(2) (a) The legislative body of the county in which a newly incorporated [city]
1218	municipality is located shall share pro rata with the new [city] municipality, based on the date
1219	of incorporation, the taxes and service charges or fees levied and collected by the county under
1220	Section 17-34-3 during the year of the new [city's] municipality's incorporation if and to the
1221	extent that the new [city] municipality provides, by itself or by contract, the same services for
1222	which the county levied and collected the taxes and service charges or fees.
1223	(b) (i) The legislative body of a county in which a [eity] municipality incorporated after
1224	January 1, 2004, is located may share with the new [city] municipality taxes and service
1225	charges or fees that were levied and collected by the county under Section 17-34-3:
1226	(A) before the year of the new [city's] municipality's incorporation;
1227	(B) from the previously unincorporated area that, because of the [eity's] municipality's
1228	incorporation, is located within the boundaries of the newly incorporated [eity] municipality;
1229	and
1230	(C) [for the purpose of providing] to provide services to the area that before the new
1231	[city's] municipality's incorporation was unincorporated.
1232	(ii) A county legislative body may share taxes and service charges or fees under
1233	Subsection (2)(b)(i) by a direct appropriation of funds or by a credit or offset against amounts
1234	due under a contract for [municipal-type services] a municipal service provided by the county
1235	to the new [city] municipality.

(3) (a) The legislative body of a county in which an area incorporating under this part is

1237	located may appropriate county funds to:
1238	(i) before incorporation but after the canvass of the final election of [city] municipal
1239	officers under Section 10-2a-215, the officers of the future [eity] municipality to pay startup
1240	expenses of the future [city] municipality; or
1241	(ii) after incorporation, the new [city] municipality.
1242	(b) Funds appropriated under Subsection (3)(a) may be distributed in the form of a
1243	grant, a loan, or as an advance against future distributions made under Subsection (2).
1244	Section 24. Section 10-2a-220 is amended to read:
1245	10-2a-220. Costs of incorporation Fees established by lieutenant governor.
1246	(1) (a) There is created an expendable special revenue fund known as the "Municipal
1247	Incorporation Expendable Special Revenue Fund."
1248	(b) The fund shall consist of:
1249	(i) appropriations from the Legislature; and
1250	(ii) fees the Office of the Lieutenant Governor collects and remits to the fund under
1251	this section.
1252	(c) The Office of the Lieutenant Governor shall deposit all money collected under this
1253	section into the fund.
1254	[(1)] (2) (a) The lieutenant governor shall establish a fee in accordance with Section
1255	63J-1-504 for a cost incurred by the lieutenant governor for an incorporation proceeding,
1256	including:
1257	(i) a request certification;
1258	(ii) a feasibility study;
1259	(iii) a petition certification;
1260	(iv) publication of notices;
1261	(v) public hearings;
1262	(vi) all other incorporation activities occurring after the elections; and
1263	(vii) any other cost incurred by the lieutenant governor in relation to an incorporation
1264	proceeding.
1265	(b) A cost under Subsection [(1)] (2)(a) does not include a cost incurred by a county for
1266	holding an election under Section 10-2a-210.
1267	[(2) Subject to Subsection (3)(a), the lieutenant governor shall, by supplemental

1268	appropriations,
1269	(3) The lieutenant governor shall pay for a cost described in [Subsections (1)(a)(i)
1270	through (vii) Subsection (2)(a) using funds from the Municipal Incorporation Expendable
1271	Special Revenue Fund.
1272	[(3) If incorporation occurs, the new city shall pay:]
1273	(4) (a) An area that incorporates as a municipality shall pay:
1274	[(a)] (i) to the lieutenant governor each fee established under Subsection [(1)] (2) for
1275	each [incurred cost described in Subsections (1)(a)(i) through (vii)] cost described in
1276	Subsection (2)(a) incurred by the lieutenant governor; and
1277	$[\underline{(b)}]$ (ii) the county for a cost described in Subsection $[\underline{(1)}]$ (2)(b).
1278	(b) The lieutenant governor shall execute a payback agreement with each new
1279	municipality for the new municipality to pay the fees described in Subsection (4)(a) over a
1280	period that, except as provided in Subsection (4)(c), may not exceed five years.
1281	(c) If necessary, the lieutenant governor may extend a fee payment deadline beyond the
1282	deadline described in Subsection (4)(b) by amending the payback agreement described in
1283	Subsection (4)(b).
1284	(d) The lieutenant governor shall deposit each fee the lieutenant governor collects
1285	under Subsection (4)(a)(i) into the Municipal Incorporation Expendable Special Revenue Fund.
1286	(5) If the lieutenant governor expends funds from the Municipal Incorporation
1287	Expendable Special Revenue Fund that are not repaid to the lieutenant governor under
1288	Subsection (4)(a)(i) because an area did not incorporate as a municipality, the Legislature shall
1289	appropriate money to the fund in an amount equal to the funds that are not repaid.
1290	Section 25. Section 10-2a-402 is amended to read:
1291	10-2a-402. Application.
1292	(1) The provisions of this part:
1293	(a) apply to a planning township that is:
1294	(i) located in a county of the first class; and
1295	(ii) established before January 1, 2015; and
1296	(b) do not apply to a planning advisory area, as defined in Section 17-27a-103, or any
1297	other unincorporated area located outside of a county of the first or second class.
1298	(2) (a) The provisions of Part 2, Incorporation of a [City, and Part 3, Incorporation of a

1299	Town, Municipality, apply to an unincorporated area described in Subsection (1) for an
1300	incorporation as a city after November 3, 2015.
1301	(b) The provisions of Chapter 2, Part 4, Annexation, apply to an unincorporated island
1302	that is not annexed at an election under this part for purposes of annexation on or after
1303	November 4, 2015.
1304	Section 26. Section 10-2a-413 is amended to read:
1305	10-2a-413. Incorporation under this part subject to other provisions.
1306	(1) An incorporation of a metro township, city, or town under this part is subject to the
1307	following provisions to the same extent as the incorporation of a city under Part 2,
1308	Incorporation of a [City] Municipality:
1309	(a) Section 10-2a-217;
1310	(b) Section 10-2a-219; and
1311	(c) Section 10-2a-220.
1312	(2) An incorporation of a city or town under this part is subject to Section 10-2a-218 to
1313	the same extent as the incorporation of a city or town under Part 2, Incorporation of a [City]
1314	Municipality.
1315	Section 27. Section 20A-1-203 is amended to read:
1316	20A-1-203. Calling and purpose of special elections Two-thirds vote
1317	limitations.
1318	(1) Statewide and local special elections may be held for any purpose authorized by
1319	law.
1320	(2) (a) Statewide special elections shall be conducted using the procedure for regular
1321	general elections.
1322	(b) Except as otherwise provided in this title, local special elections shall be conducted
1323	using the procedures for regular municipal elections.
1324	(3) The governor may call a statewide special election by issuing an executive order
1325	that designates:
1326	(a) the date for the statewide special election; and
1327	(b) the purpose for the statewide special election.
1328	(4) The Legislature may call a statewide special election by passing a joint or
1329	concurrent resolution that designates:

1330	(a) the date for the statewide special election; and
1331	(b) the purpose for the statewide special election.
1332	(5) (a) The legislative body of a local political subdivision may call a local special
1333	election only for:
1334	(i) a vote on a bond or debt issue;
1335	(ii) a vote on a voted local levy authorized by Section 53F-8-402 or 53F-8-301;
1336	(iii) an initiative authorized by Chapter 7, Part 5, Local Initiatives - Procedures;
1337	(iv) a referendum authorized by Chapter 7, Part 6, Local Referenda - Procedures;
1338	(v) if required or authorized by federal law, a vote to determine whether [or not] Utah's
1339	legal boundaries should be changed;
1340	(vi) a vote authorized or required by Title 59, Chapter 12, Sales and Use Tax Act;
1341	(vii) a vote to elect members to school district boards for a new school district and a
1342	remaining school district, as defined in Section 53G-3-102, following the creation of a new
1343	school district under Section 53G-3-302;
1344	(viii) a vote on a municipality providing cable television services or public
1345	telecommunications services under Section 10-18-204;
1346	(ix) a vote to create a new county under Section 17-3-1;
1347	(x) a vote on the creation of a study committee under Sections 17-52a-302 and
1348	17-52a-304;
1349	(xi) a vote on a special property tax under Section 53F-8-402;
1350	(xii) a vote on the incorporation of a [city] municipality in accordance with Section
1351	10-2a-210; <u>or</u>
1352	[(xiii) a vote on the incorporation of a town in accordance with Section 10-2a-304; or]
1353	[(xiv)] (xiii) a vote on incorporation or annexation as described in Section 10-2a-404.
1354	(b) The legislative body of a local political subdivision may call a local special election
1355	by adopting an ordinance or resolution that designates:
1356	(i) the date for the local special election as authorized by Section 20A-1-204; and
1357	(ii) the purpose for the local special election.
1358	(c) A local political subdivision may not call a local special election unless the
1359	ordinance or resolution calling a local special election under Subsection (5)(b) is adopted by a
1360	two-thirds majority of all members of the legislative body, if the local special election is for:

1361	(1) a vote on a bond or debt issue as described in Subsection (5)(a)(1);
1362	(ii) a vote on a voted leeway or levy program as described in Subsection (5)(a)(ii); or
1363	(iii) a vote authorized or required for a sales tax issue as described in Subsection
1364	(5)(a)(vi).
1365	Section 28. Section 20A-11-101 is amended to read:
1366	20A-11-101. Definitions.
1367	As used in this chapter:
1368	(1) "Address" means the number and street where an individual resides or where a
1369	reporting entity has its principal office.
1370	(2) "Agent of a reporting entity" means:
1371	(a) a person acting on behalf of a reporting entity at the direction of the reporting
1372	entity;
1373	(b) a person employed by a reporting entity in the reporting entity's capacity as a
1374	reporting entity;
1375	(c) the personal campaign committee of a candidate or officeholder;
1376	(d) a member of the personal campaign committee of a candidate or officeholder in the
1377	member's capacity as a member of the personal campaign committee of the candidate or
1378	officeholder; or
1379	(e) a political consultant of a reporting entity.
1380	(3) "Ballot proposition" includes initiatives, referenda, proposed constitutional
1381	amendments, and any other ballot propositions submitted to the voters that are authorized by
1382	the Utah Code Annotated 1953.
1383	(4) "Candidate" means any person who:
1384	(a) files a declaration of candidacy for a public office; or
1385	(b) receives contributions, makes expenditures, or gives consent for any other person to
1386	receive contributions or make expenditures to bring about the person's nomination or election
1387	to a public office.
1388	(5) "Chief election officer" means:
1389	(a) the lieutenant governor for state office candidates, legislative office candidates,
1390	officeholders, political parties, political action committees, corporations, political issues
1391	committees, state school board candidates, judges, and labor organizations, as defined in

1392	Section 20A-11-1501; and
1393	(b) the county clerk for local school board candidates.
1394	(6) (a) "Contribution" means any of the following when done for political purposes:
1395	(i) a gift, subscription, donation, loan, advance, or deposit of money or anything of
1396	value given to the filing entity;
1397	(ii) an express, legally enforceable contract, promise, or agreement to make a gift,
1398	subscription, donation, unpaid or partially unpaid loan, advance, or deposit of money or
1399	anything of value to the filing entity;
1400	(iii) any transfer of funds from another reporting entity to the filing entity;
1401	(iv) compensation paid by any person or reporting entity other than the filing entity for
1402	personal services provided without charge to the filing entity;
1403	(v) remuneration from:
1404	(A) any organization or its directly affiliated organization that has a registered lobbyist
1405	or
1406	(B) any agency or subdivision of the state, including school districts;
1407	(vi) a loan made by a candidate deposited to the candidate's own campaign; and
1408	(vii) in-kind contributions.
1409	(b) "Contribution" does not include:
1410	(i) services provided by individuals volunteering a portion or all of their time on behalf
1411	of the filing entity if the services are provided without compensation by the filing entity or any
1412	other person;
1413	(ii) money lent to the filing entity by a financial institution in the ordinary course of
1414	business; or
1415	(iii) goods or services provided for the benefit of a candidate or political party at less
1416	than fair market value that are not authorized by or coordinated with the candidate or political
1417	party.
1418	(7) "Coordinated with" means that goods or services provided for the benefit of a
1419	candidate or political party are provided:
1420	(a) with the candidate's or political party's prior knowledge, if the candidate or political
1421	party does not object;
1422	(b) by agreement with the candidate or political party;

1423	(c) in coordination with the candidate or political party; or
1424	(d) using official logos, slogans, and similar elements belonging to a candidate or
1425	political party.
1426	(8) (a) "Corporation" means a domestic or foreign, profit or nonprofit, business
1427	organization that is registered as a corporation or is authorized to do business in a state and
1428	makes any expenditure from corporate funds for:
1429	(i) the purpose of expressly advocating for political purposes; or
1430	(ii) the purpose of expressly advocating the approval or the defeat of any ballot
1431	proposition.
1432	(b) "Corporation" does not mean:
1433	(i) a business organization's political action committee or political issues committee; or
1434	(ii) a business entity organized as a partnership or a sole proprietorship.
1435	(9) "County political party" means, for each registered political party, all of the persons
1436	within a single county who, under definitions established by the political party, are members of
1437	the registered political party.
1438	(10) "County political party officer" means a person whose name is required to be
1439	submitted by a county political party to the lieutenant governor in accordance with Section
1440	20A-8-402.
1441	(11) "Detailed listing" means:
1442	(a) for each contribution or public service assistance:
1443	(i) the name and address of the individual or source making the contribution or public
1444	service assistance, except to the extent that the name or address of the individual or source is
1445	unknown;
1446	(ii) the amount or value of the contribution or public service assistance; and
1447	(iii) the date the contribution or public service assistance was made; and
1448	(b) for each expenditure:
1449	(i) the amount of the expenditure;
1450	(ii) the person or entity to whom it was disbursed;
1451	(iii) the specific purpose, item, or service acquired by the expenditure; and
1452	(iv) the date the expenditure was made.
1453	(12) (a) "Donor" means a person that gives money, including a fee, due, or assessment

1454 for membership in the corporation, to a corporation without receiving full and adequate 1455 consideration for the money. 1456 (b) "Donor" does not include a person that signs a statement that the corporation may not use the money for an expenditure or political issues expenditure. 1457 1458 (13) "Election" means each: 1459 (a) regular general election; (b) regular primary election; and 1460 1461 (c) special election at which candidates are eliminated and selected. 1462 (14) "Electioneering communication" means a communication that: 1463 (a) has at least a value of \$10,000; 1464 (b) clearly identifies a candidate or judge; and 1465 (c) is disseminated through the Internet, newspaper, magazine, outdoor advertising facility, direct mailing, broadcast, cable, or satellite provider within 45 days of the clearly 1466 1467 identified candidate's or judge's election date. 1468 (15) (a) "Expenditure" means any of the following made by a reporting entity or an 1469 agent of a reporting entity on behalf of the reporting entity: 1470 (i) any disbursement from contributions, receipts, or from the separate bank account 1471 required by this chapter: 1472 (ii) a purchase, payment, donation, distribution, loan, advance, deposit, gift of money, 1473 or anything of value made for political purposes; 1474 (iii) an express, legally enforceable contract, promise, or agreement to make any 1475 purchase, payment, donation, distribution, loan, advance, deposit, gift of money, or anything of 1476 value for political purposes; 1477 (iv) compensation paid by a filing entity for personal services rendered by a person 1478 without charge to a reporting entity; 1479 (v) a transfer of funds between the filing entity and a candidate's personal campaign committee; or 1480

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(vi) goods or services provided by the filing entity to or for the benefit of another

(i) services provided without compensation by individuals volunteering a portion or all

reporting entity for political purposes at less than fair market value.

(b) "Expenditure" does not include:

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- 1486 (ii) money lent to a reporting entity by a financial institution in the ordinary course of 1487 business; or
- 1488 (iii) anything listed in Subsection (15)(a) that is given by a reporting entity to 1489 candidates for office or officeholders in states other than Utah.
- 1490 (16) "Federal office" means the office of president of the United States, United States 1491 Senator, or United States Representative.
 - (17) "Filing entity" means the reporting entity that is required to file a financial statement required by this chapter or Chapter 12, Part 2, Judicial Retention Elections.
 - (18) "Financial statement" includes any summary report, interim report, verified financial statement, or other statement disclosing contributions, expenditures, receipts, donations, or disbursements that is required by this chapter or Chapter 12, Part 2, Judicial Retention Elections.
 - (19) "Governing board" means the individual or group of individuals that determine the candidates and committees that will receive expenditures from a political action committee, political party, or corporation.
 - (20) "Incorporation" means the process established by Title 10, Chapter 2a, Municipal Incorporation, by which a geographical area becomes legally recognized as a city, town, or metro township.
 - (21) "Incorporation election" means the election [authorized by] conducted under Section 10-2a-210[, 10-2a-304,] or 10-2a-404.
- 1506 (22) "Incorporation petition" means a petition [authorized by] described in Section 1507 10-2a-208 [or 10-2a-302.5].
 - (23) "Individual" means a natural person.
- 1509 (24) "In-kind contribution" means anything of value, other than money, that is accepted by or coordinated with a filing entity.
 - (25) "Interim report" means a report identifying the contributions received and expenditures made since the last report.
- 1513 (26) "Legislative office" means the office of state senator, state representative, speaker 1514 of the House of Representatives, president of the Senate, and the leader, whip, and assistant 1515 whip of any party caucus in either house of the Legislature.

1516	(27) "Legislative office candidate" means a person who:
1517	(a) files a declaration of candidacy for the office of state senator or state representative;
1518	(b) declares oneself to be a candidate for, or actively campaigns for, the position of
1519	speaker of the House of Representatives, president of the Senate, or the leader, whip, and
1520	assistant whip of any party caucus in either house of the Legislature; or
1521	(c) receives contributions, makes expenditures, or gives consent for any other person to
1522	receive contributions or make expenditures to bring about the person's nomination, election, or
1523	appointment to a legislative office.
1524	(28) "Major political party" means either of the two registered political parties that
1525	have the greatest number of members elected to the two houses of the Legislature.
1526	(29) "Officeholder" means a person who holds a public office.
1527	(30) "Party committee" means any committee organized by or authorized by the
1528	governing board of a registered political party.
1529	(31) "Person" means both natural and legal persons, including individuals, business
1530	organizations, personal campaign committees, party committees, political action committees,
1531	political issues committees, and labor organizations, as defined in Section 20A-11-1501.
1532	(32) "Personal campaign committee" means the committee appointed by a candidate to
1533	act for the candidate as provided in this chapter.
1534	(33) "Personal use expenditure" has the same meaning as provided under Section
1535	20A-11-104.
1536	(34) (a) "Political action committee" means an entity, or any group of individuals or
1537	entities within or outside this state, a major purpose of which is to:
1538	(i) solicit or receive contributions from any other person, group, or entity for political
1539	purposes; or
1540	(ii) make expenditures to expressly advocate for any person to refrain from voting or to
1541	vote for or against any candidate or person seeking election to a municipal or county office.
1542	(b) "Political action committee" includes groups affiliated with a registered political
1543	party but not authorized or organized by the governing board of the registered political party
1544	that receive contributions or makes expenditures for political purposes.

(c) "Political action committee" does not mean:

(i) a party committee;

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1547 (ii) any entity that provides goods or services to a candidate or committee in the regular 1548 course of its business at the same price that would be provided to the general public; 1549 (iii) an individual; 1550 (iv) individuals who are related and who make contributions from a joint checking 1551 account; 1552 (v) a corporation, except a corporation a major purpose of which is to act as a political action committee; or 1553 1554 (vi) a personal campaign committee. 1555 (35) (a) "Political consultant" means a person who is paid by a reporting entity, or paid 1556 by another person on behalf of and with the knowledge of the reporting entity, to provide 1557 political advice to the reporting entity. 1558 (b) "Political consultant" includes a circumstance described in Subsection (35)(a), 1559 where the person: 1560 (i) has already been paid, with money or other consideration; 1561 (ii) expects to be paid in the future, with money or other consideration; or 1562 (iii) understands that the person may, in the discretion of the reporting entity or another person on behalf of and with the knowledge of the reporting entity, be paid in the future, with 1563 money or other consideration. 1564 1565 (36) "Political convention" means a county or state political convention held by a 1566 registered political party to select candidates. 1567 (37) (a) "Political issues committee" means an entity, or any group of individuals or 1568 entities within or outside this state, a major purpose of which is to: 1569 (i) solicit or receive donations from any other person, group, or entity to assist in 1570 placing a ballot proposition on the ballot, assist in keeping a ballot proposition off the ballot, or 1571 to advocate that a voter refrain from voting or vote for or vote against any ballot proposition; 1572 (ii) make expenditures to expressly advocate for any person to sign or refuse to sign a 1573 ballot proposition or incorporation petition or refrain from voting, vote for, or vote against any 1574 proposed ballot proposition or an incorporation in an incorporation election; or

(b) "Political issues committee" does not mean:

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(iii) make expenditures to assist in qualifying or placing a ballot proposition on the

1578	(i) a registered political party or a party committee;
1579	(ii) any entity that provides goods or services to an individual or committee in the
1580	regular course of its business at the same price that would be provided to the general public;
1581	(iii) an individual;
1582	(iv) individuals who are related and who make contributions from a joint checking
1583	account;
1584	(v) a corporation, except a corporation a major purpose of which is to act as a political
1585	issues committee; or
1586	(vi) a group of individuals who:
1587	(A) associate together for the purpose of challenging or supporting a single ballot
1588	proposition, ordinance, or other governmental action by a county, city, town, local district,
1589	special service district, or other local political subdivision of the state;
1590	(B) have a common liberty, property, or financial interest that is directly impacted by
1591	the ballot proposition, ordinance, or other governmental action;
1592	(C) do not associate together, for the purpose described in Subsection (37)(b)(vi)(A),
1593	via a legal entity;
1594	(D) do not receive funds for challenging or supporting the ballot proposition,
1595	ordinance, or other governmental action from a person other than an individual in the group;
1596	and
1597	(E) do not expend a total of more than \$5,000 for the purpose described in Subsection
1598	(37)(b)(vi)(A).
1599	(38) (a) "Political issues contribution" means any of the following:
1600	(i) a gift, subscription, unpaid or partially unpaid loan, advance, or deposit of money or
1601	anything of value given to a political issues committee;
1602	(ii) an express, legally enforceable contract, promise, or agreement to make a political
1603	issues donation to influence the approval or defeat of any ballot proposition;
1604	(iii) any transfer of funds received by a political issues committee from a reporting
1605	entity;
1606	(iv) compensation paid by another reporting entity for personal services rendered
1607	without charge to a political issues committee; and

(v) goods or services provided to or for the benefit of a political issues committee at

1609	less than fair market value.
1610	(b) "Political issues contribution" does not include:
1611	(i) services provided without compensation by individuals volunteering a portion or all
1612	of their time on behalf of a political issues committee; or
1613	(ii) money lent to a political issues committee by a financial institution in the ordinary
1614	course of business.
1615	(39) (a) "Political issues expenditure" means any of the following when made by a
1616	political issues committee or on behalf of a political issues committee by an agent of the
1617	reporting entity:
1618	(i) any payment from political issues contributions made for the purpose of influencing
1619	the approval or the defeat of:
1620	(A) a ballot proposition; or
1621	(B) an incorporation petition or incorporation election;
1622	(ii) a purchase, payment, distribution, loan, advance, deposit, or gift of money made for
1623	the express purpose of influencing the approval or the defeat of:
1624	(A) a ballot proposition; or
1625	(B) an incorporation petition or incorporation election;
1626	(iii) an express, legally enforceable contract, promise, or agreement to make any
1627	political issues expenditure;
1628	(iv) compensation paid by a reporting entity for personal services rendered by a person
1629	without charge to a political issues committee; or
1630	(v) goods or services provided to or for the benefit of another reporting entity at less
1631	than fair market value.
1632	(b) "Political issues expenditure" does not include:
1633	(i) services provided without compensation by individuals volunteering a portion or all
1634	of their time on behalf of a political issues committee; or
1635	(ii) money lent to a political issues committee by a financial institution in the ordinary
1636	course of business.
1637	(40) "Political purposes" means an act done with the intent or in a way to influence or
1638	tend to influence, directly or indirectly, any person to refrain from voting or to vote for or

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(a) candidate or a person seeking a municipal or county office at any caucus, political convention, or election; or

- (b) judge standing for retention at any election.
- (41) (a) "Poll" means the survey of a person regarding the person's opinion or knowledge of an individual who has filed a declaration of candidacy for public office, or of a ballot proposition that has legally qualified for placement on the ballot, which is conducted in person or by telephone, facsimile, Internet, postal mail, or email.
 - (b) "Poll" does not include:
- 1648 (i) a ballot; or

- (ii) an interview of a focus group that is conducted, in person, by one individual, if:
- (A) the focus group consists of more than three, and less than thirteen, individuals; and
- (B) all individuals in the focus group are present during the interview.
- 1652 (42) "Primary election" means any regular primary election held under the election laws.
 - (43) "Publicly identified class of individuals" means a group of 50 or more individuals sharing a common occupation, interest, or association that contribute to a political action committee or political issues committee and whose names can be obtained by contacting the political action committee or political issues committee upon whose financial statement the individuals are listed.
 - (44) "Public office" means the office of governor, lieutenant governor, state auditor, state treasurer, attorney general, state school board member, state senator, state representative, speaker of the House of Representatives, president of the Senate, and the leader, whip, and assistant whip of any party caucus in either house of the Legislature.
 - (45) (a) "Public service assistance" means the following when given or provided to an officeholder to defray the costs of functioning in a public office or aid the officeholder to communicate with the officeholder's constituents:
 - (i) a gift, subscription, donation, unpaid or partially unpaid loan, advance, or deposit of money or anything of value to an officeholder; or
 - (ii) goods or services provided at less than fair market value to or for the benefit of the officeholder.
 - (b) "Public service assistance" does not include:

1671	(i) anything provided by the state;
1672	(ii) services provided without compensation by individuals volunteering a portion or all
1673	of their time on behalf of an officeholder;
1674	(iii) money lent to an officeholder by a financial institution in the ordinary course of
1675	business;
1676	(iv) news coverage or any publication by the news media; or
1677	(v) any article, story, or other coverage as part of any regular publication of any
1678	organization unless substantially all the publication is devoted to information about the
1679	officeholder.
1680	(46) "Receipts" means contributions and public service assistance.
1681	(47) "Registered lobbyist" means a person registered under Title 36, Chapter 11,
1682	Lobbyist Disclosure and Regulation Act.
1683	(48) "Registered political action committee" means any political action committee that
1684	is required by this chapter to file a statement of organization with the Office of the Lieutenant
1685	Governor.
1686	(49) "Registered political issues committee" means any political issues committee that
1687	is required by this chapter to file a statement of organization with the Office of the Lieutenant
1688	Governor.
1689	(50) "Registered political party" means an organization of voters that:
1690	(a) participated in the last regular general election and polled a total vote equal to 2%
1691	or more of the total votes cast for all candidates for the United States House of Representatives
1692	for any of its candidates for any office; or
1693	(b) has complied with the petition and organizing procedures of Chapter 8, Political
1694	Party Formation and Procedures.
1695	(51) (a) "Remuneration" means a payment:
1696	(i) made to a legislator for the period the Legislature is in session; and
1697	(ii) that is approximately equivalent to an amount a legislator would have earned
1698	during the period the Legislature is in session in the legislator's ordinary course of business.
1699	(b) "Remuneration" does not mean anything of economic value given to a legislator by:

(i) the legislator's primary employer in the ordinary course of business; or

(ii) a person or entity in the ordinary course of business:

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- (A) because of the legislator's ownership interest in the entity; or
- (B) for services rendered by the legislator on behalf of the person or entity.
- 1704 (52) "Reporting entity" means a candidate, a candidate's personal campaign committee, a judge, a judge's personal campaign committee, an officeholder, a party committee, a political action committee, a political issues committee, a corporation, or a labor organization, as defined in Section 20A-11-1501.
 - (53) "School board office" means the office of state school board.
- 1709 (54) (a) "Source" means the person or entity that is the legal owner of the tangible or 1710 intangible asset that comprises the contribution.
 - (b) "Source" means, for political action committees and corporations, the political action committee and the corporation as entities, not the contributors to the political action committee or the owners or shareholders of the corporation.
 - (55) "State office" means the offices of governor, lieutenant governor, attorney general, state auditor, and state treasurer.
 - (56) "State office candidate" means a person who:
 - (a) files a declaration of candidacy for a state office; or
 - (b) receives contributions, makes expenditures, or gives consent for any other person to receive contributions or make expenditures to bring about the person's nomination, election, or appointment to a state office.
 - (57) "Summary report" means the year end report containing the summary of a reporting entity's contributions and expenditures.
 - (58) "Supervisory board" means the individual or group of individuals that allocate expenditures from a political issues committee.
- Section 29. Section **63I-2-210** is amended to read:
- 1726 **63I-2-210.** Repeal dates -- Title 10.
- [(1) On July 1, 2018, the following are repealed:]
- 1728 [(a) in Subsection 10-2-403(5), the language that states "10-2a-302 or";]
- [(b) in Subsection 10-2-403(5)(b), the language that states "10-2a-302 or";]
- [(c) in Subsection 10-2a-106(2), the language that states "10-2a-302 or";]
- 1731 [(d) Section 10-2a-302;]

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1732 [(e) Subsection 10-2a-302.5(2)(a);]

1733 [(f) in Subsection 10-2a-303(1), the language that states "10-2a-302 or";] 1734 (g) in Subsection 10-2a-303(4), the language that states "10-2a-302(7)(b)(v) or" and 1735 "10-2a-302(7)(b)(iv) or"; 1736 [(h) in Subsection 10-2a-304(1)(a), the language that states "10-2a-302 or"; and] 1737 [(i) in Subsection 10-2a-304(1)(a)(ii), the language that states "Subsection 1738 10-2a-302(5) or".] 1739 $[\frac{(2)}{(2)}]$ (1) Subsection 10-9a-304(2) is repealed June 1, 2020. 1740 [(3)] (2) When repealing Subsection 10-9a-304(2), the Office of Legislative Research 1741 and General Counsel shall, in addition to the office's authority under Subsection 36-12-12(3), 1742 make necessary changes to subsection numbering and cross references. Section 30. Section **67-1a-2** is amended to read: 1743 1744 67-1a-2. Duties enumerated. 1745 (1) The lieutenant governor shall: 1746 (a) perform duties delegated by the governor, including assignments to serve in any of 1747 the following capacities: 1748 (i) as the head of any one department, if so qualified, with the consent of the Senate, 1749 and, upon appointment at the pleasure of the governor and without additional compensation; 1750 (ii) as the chairperson of any cabinet group organized by the governor or authorized by 1751 law for the purpose of advising the governor or coordinating intergovernmental or 1752 interdepartmental policies or programs; 1753 (iii) as liaison between the governor and the state Legislature to coordinate and 1754 facilitate the governor's programs and budget requests; 1755 (iv) as liaison between the governor and other officials of local, state, federal, and 1756 international governments or any other political entities to coordinate, facilitate, and protect the 1757 interests of the state; 1758 (v) as personal advisor to the governor, including advice on policies, programs, 1759 administrative and personnel matters, and fiscal or budgetary matters; and 1760 (vi) as chairperson or member of any temporary or permanent boards, councils, 1761 commissions, committees, task forces, or other group appointed by the governor; 1762 (b) serve on all boards and commissions in lieu of the governor, whenever so

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designated by the governor;

1764	(c) serve as the chief election officer of the state as required by Subsection (2);
1765	(d) keep custody of the Great Seal of Utah;
1766	(e) keep a register of, and attest, the official acts of the governor;
1767	(f) affix the Great Seal, with an attestation, to all official documents and instruments to
1768	which the official signature of the governor is required; and
1769	(g) furnish a certified copy of all or any part of any law, record, or other instrument
1770	filed, deposited, or recorded in the office of the lieutenant governor to any person who requests
1771	it and pays the fee.
1772	(2) (a) As the chief election officer, the lieutenant governor shall:
1773	(i) exercise general supervisory authority over all elections;
1774	(ii) exercise direct authority over the conduct of elections for federal, state, and
1775	multicounty officers and statewide or multicounty ballot propositions and any recounts
1776	involving those races;
1777	(iii) assist county clerks in unifying the election ballot;
1778	(iv) (A) prepare election information for the public as required by statute and as
1779	determined appropriate by the lieutenant governor; and
1780	(B) make the information under Subsection (2)(a)(iv)(A) available to the public and to
1781	news media on the Internet and in other forms as required by statute or as determined
1782	appropriate by the lieutenant governor;
1783	(v) receive and answer election questions and maintain an election file on opinions
1784	received from the attorney general;
1785	(vi) maintain a current list of registered political parties as defined in Section
1786	20A-8-101;
1787	(vii) maintain election returns and statistics;
1788	(viii) certify to the governor the names of those persons who have received the highest
1789	number of votes for any office;
1790	(ix) ensure that all voting equipment purchased by the state complies with the
1791	requirements of Subsection 20A-5-302(2) and Sections 20A-5-802 and 20A-5-803;
1792	(x) conduct the study described in Section 67-1a-14;

(xi) during a declared emergency, to the extent that the lieutenant governor determines

it warranted, designate, as provided in Section 20A-1-308, a different method, time, or location

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1795	relating to:
1796	(A) voting on election day;
1797	(B) early voting;
1798	(C) the transmittal or voting of an absentee ballot or military-overseas ballot;
1799	(D) the counting of an absentee ballot or military-overseas ballot; or
1800	(E) the canvassing of election returns; and
1801	(xii) perform other election duties as provided in Title 20A, Election Code.
1802	(b) As chief election officer, the lieutenant governor may not assume the
1803	responsibilities assigned to the county clerks, city recorders, town clerks, or other local election
1804	officials by Title 20A, Election Code.
1805	(3) (a) The lieutenant governor shall:
1806	(i) determine a new [city's] municipality's classification under Section 10-2-301 upon
1807	the city's incorporation under Title 10, Chapter 2a, Part 2, Incorporation of a [City]
1808	Municipality, based on the [city's] municipality's population using the population estimate from
1809	the Utah Population Committee; and
1810	(ii) (A) prepare a certificate indicating the class in which the new [city] municipality
1811	belongs based on the [city's] municipality's population; and
1812	(B) within 10 days after preparing the certificate, deliver a copy of the certificate to the
1813	[city's] municipality's legislative body.
1814	(b) The lieutenant governor shall:
1815	(i) determine the classification under Section 10-2-301 of a consolidated municipality
1816	upon the consolidation of multiple municipalities under Title 10, Chapter 2, Part 6,
1817	Consolidation of Municipalities, using population information from:
1818	(A) each official census or census estimate of the United States Bureau of the Census;
1819	or
1820	(B) the population estimate from the Utah Population Committee, if the population of a
1821	municipality is not available from the United States Bureau of the Census; and
1822	(ii) (A) prepare a certificate indicating the class in which the consolidated municipality
1823	belongs based on the municipality's population; and
1824	(B) within 10 days after preparing the certificate, deliver a copy of the certificate to the
1825	consolidated municipality's legislative body.

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(c) The lieutenant governor shall

- (i) determine a new metro township's classification under Section 10-2-301.5 upon the metro township's incorporation under Title 10, Chapter 2a, Part 4, Incorporation of Metro Townships and Unincorporated Islands in a County of the First Class on and after May 12, 2015, based on the metro township's population using the population estimates from the Utah Population Committee; and
- (ii) prepare a certificate indicating the class in which the new metro township belongs based on the metro township's population and, within 10 days after preparing the certificate, deliver a copy of the certificate to the metro township's legislative body.
- (d) The lieutenant governor shall monitor the population of each municipality using population information from:
 - (i) each official census or census estimate of the United States Bureau of the Census; or
- (ii) the population estimate from the Utah Population Committee, if the population of a municipality is not available from the United States Bureau of the Census.
- (e) If the applicable population figure under Subsection (3)(b) or (d) indicates that a municipality's population has increased beyond the population for its current class, the lieutenant governor shall:
- (i) prepare a certificate indicating the class in which the municipality belongs based on the increased population figure; and
- (ii) within 10 days after preparing the certificate, deliver a copy of the certificate to the legislative body of the municipality whose class has changed.
- (f) (i) If the applicable population figure under Subsection (3)(b) or (d) indicates that a municipality's population has decreased below the population for its current class, the lieutenant governor shall send written notification of that fact to the municipality's legislative body.
- (ii) Upon receipt of a petition under Subsection 10-2-302(2) from a municipality whose population has decreased below the population for its current class, the lieutenant governor shall:
- (A) prepare a certificate indicating the class in which the municipality belongs based on the decreased population figure; and
 - (B) within 10 days after preparing the certificate, deliver a copy of the certificate to the

1857	legislative body of the municipality whose class has changed.
1858	Section 31. Repealer.
1859	This bill repeals:
1860	Section 10-2a-221, Incorporation petition or feasibility study before May 8, 2012.
1861	Section 10-2a-301, Title.
1862	Section 10-2a-302.5, Incorporation of a town Petition.
1863	Section 10-2a-303, Incorporation of a town Public hearing on feasibility.
1864	Section 10-2a-304, Incorporation of a town Election to incorporate Ballot
1865	form.
1866	Section 10-2a-305, Form of government Determination of council officer terms
1867	Hearings and notice.
1868	Section 10-2a-305.1, Notice of number of council members to be elected and of
1869	district boundaries Declaration of candidacy for city office Occupation of office.
1870	Section 10-2a-305.2, Election of officers of new town Primary and final election
1871	dates County clerk duties Candidate duties Occupation of office.
1872	Section 10-2a-306, Notice to lieutenant governor Effective date of incorporation
1873	Effect of recording documents.
1874	Section 10-2a-307, Costs of town incorporation Fees established by lieutenant
1875	governor.
1876	Section 32. Appropriation.
1877	The following sums of money are appropriated for the fiscal year beginning July 1,
1878	2019, and ending June 30, 2020. These are additions to amounts previously appropriated for
1879	fiscal year 2020. The Legislature has reviewed the following expendable funds. The Legislature
1880	authorizes the State Division of Finance to transfer amounts between funds and accounts as
1881	indicated. Outlays and expenditures from the funds or accounts to which the money is
1882	transferred may be made without further legislative action, in accordance with statutory
1883	provisions relating to the funds or accounts.
1884	<u>ITEM 1</u>
1885	To the Municipal Incorporation Expendable Special Revenue Fund
1886	From General Fund, One-time \$100,000
1887	Schedule of Programs:

1888	Municipal Incorporation Expendable
1889	Special Revenue Fund \$100,000
1890	Section 33. Revisor instructions.
1891	The Legislature intends that the Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, in
1892	preparing the Utah Code database for publication, replace the reference in Subsection
1893	10-2a-106(3), from "this bill" to the bill's designated chapter number in the Laws of Utah.

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