

**AMENDMENTS TO ADOPTION REQUIREMENTS**

2013 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

**Chief Sponsor: Todd Weiler**

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill modifies Title 62A, Chapter 4a, Child and Family Services, by modifying the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

▶ authorizes a licensed child-placing agency that has provided services to a birth parent or adoptive parent to determine whether a placement should be made, for purposes of complying with the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children, unless the child is:

- a dependent of the court;
- in the custody of the Division of Child and Family Services or a comparable agency in another state; or
- subject to an action filed in juvenile court in this state or a similar court in a different state.

**Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

None

**Other Special Clauses:**

None

**Utah Code Sections Affected:**

ENACTS:



28           **62A-4a-711**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

31           Section 1. Section **62A-4a-711** is enacted to read:

32           **62A-4a-711. Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children exemptions.**

33           (1) Notwithstanding any other provision of this part, and except as provided in  
34 Subsections (2) and (3), a licensed child-placing agency that has provided any adoption related  
35 services to a birth parent or prospective adoptive parent may:

36           (a) determine whether the placement shall be made for purposes of complying with the  
37 Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children; and

38           (b) direct a representative to sign the compact forms documenting the determination  
39 described in Subsection (1)(a) and date of placement.

40           (2) If more than one licensed child-placing agency has provided adoption related  
41 services for a party to an adoption proceeding, only the agency that provided the most recent  
42 service may determine whether the placement shall be made for purposes of complying with  
43 the Interstate Compact on the Placement of Children.

44           (3) This section does not apply to a child who:

45           (a) is a dependent of a court;

46           (b) is in the custody of the Division of Child and Family Services or a similar agency in  
47 another state; or

48           (c) a child subject to an action filed in juvenile court or a similar court of another state.

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