

1 **HOMELESS SHELTER AND SERVICES SHARING**

2 **AMENDMENTS**

3 2020 GENERAL SESSION

4 STATE OF UTAH

5 **Chief Sponsor: Jacob L. Anderegg**

6 House Sponsor: Eric K. Hutchings

8 **LONG TITLE**

9 **General Description:**

10 This bill modifies provisions of Title 35A, Chapter 8, Housing and Community
11 Development Division.

12 **Highlighted Provisions:**

13 This bill:

- 14 ▶ defines terms;
- 15 ▶ describes duties of the director of the Housing and Community Development

16 Division, including the oversight of a Homeless Management Information System;

17 and

- 18 ▶ makes technical changes.

19 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

20 This bill appropriates in fiscal year 2021:

- 21 ▶ to the Department of Workforce Services -- Housing and Community Development
- 22 -- Homeless Committee, as a one-time appropriation:

- 23 • from the General Fund, One-time, \$1,500,000.

24 **Other Special Clauses:**

25 None

26 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

27 AMENDS:

28 **35A-8-101**, as renumbered and amended by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapter 212

29 ENACTS:

30 **35A-8-203**, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

33 Section 1. Section **35A-8-101** is amended to read:

34 **35A-8-101. Definitions.**

35 As used in this chapter:

36 (1) "Accessible housing" means housing which has been constructed or modified to be
37 accessible, as described in the State Construction Code or an approved code under Title 15A,
38 State Construction and Fire Codes Act.

39 (2) "Director" means the director of the division.

40 (3) "Division" means the Housing and Community Development Division.

41 (4) "Homeless Management Information System" or "HMIS" means an information
42 technology system that:

43 (a) is used to collect client-level data and data on the provision of housing and services
44 to homeless individuals and families and individuals at risk of homelessness in the state; and

45 (b) meets the requirements of the United States Department of Housing and Urban
46 Development.

47 Section 2. Section **35A-8-203** is enacted to read:

48 **35A-8-203. Duties of director.**

49 (1) The director shall:

50 (a) coordinate, with the concurrence of the Homeless Coordinating Committee, the
51 provision of homeless services in the state; and

52 (b) oversee, with the concurrence of Continuum of Care organizations approved by the
53 United States Department of Housing and Urban Development, a Homeless Management
54 Information System for the state that:

55 (i) shares client-level data between state agencies, local governments, and private
56 organizations that provide services to homeless individuals and families and individuals at risk
57 of homelessness in the state;

86 The Legislature intends that:

87 (1) the Department of Workforce Services use the money in this appropriation to
88 improve the electronic Homeless Management Information System for the state so that the
89 system:

90 (a) is effective at collecting accurate, client-level data on the provision of housing and
91 services to individuals and families experiencing homelessness; and

92 (b) serves as an effective case management system for individuals and families
93 experiencing homelessness; and

94 (2) under Section [63J-1-603](#), the appropriation provided under this item not lapse at the
95 close of fiscal year 2021.