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Promoting affordable housing to ensure healthy and stable communities.

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Utah Housing Coalition Priority Bills

<p><u>House Bill 91</u> Sponsored by Representative Seegmiller (House District 40)</p>	<p>Individual Development Account Amendments It provides that (1) an individual development account may be established for the purpose of allowing a client with a disability to accumulate funds for the purchase of assistive technologies, vehicle modifications, or home improvements that will allow the client to participate in work-related activities, and (2) provides that funds held in an individual development account may not be used in determining for assistance, or the amount of assistance to be received, in a state or federal means-tested program.</p>
<p><u>House Bill 198</u> Sponsored by Representative Johnson (House District 25)</p>	<p>Marriage License Fee Amendments It requires county clerks to collect an additional \$10 for a marriage license fee and to transmit that amount to the Division of Child and Family Services for use in the operation of shelters for victims of domestic violence. Enactment of this bill requires local governments to collect \$10 on every marriage license issued. As a result local revenues could increase by \$250,000 annually. However, funds are to be transferred to the Division of Child and Family Services.</p>
<p><u>House Bill 243</u> Sponsored by Representative Froerer (House District 8)</p>	<p>Rental Restrictions on Condominiums and common Interest Communities It modifies the powers an association of unit owners or association to: (1) create reasonable restrictions on the number and terms of rental units or lots; (2) include rental restrictions in the association of unit owners' declaration or association's governing documents;(3) include a hardship exemption in the rental restrictions; (4) include a grandfather clause for existing rental units or lots; (5) and create procedures to track the number of rental units or lots; (6) and makes technical corrections.</p>
<p><u>House Bill 299</u> Sponsored by Representative Froerer (House District 8)</p>	<p>Unlawful Detainer Amendments It requires the court, upon the request of either party, to hold an evidentiary hearing for an action involving unlawful detainer; and adds occupying property after a forced sale to list of what constitutes unlawful detainer.</p>

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<p><u>House Bill 342</u> <i>Sponsored by</i> <i>Representative Froerer</i> <i>(House District 8)</i></p>	<p>Disproportionate Rental Fee Amendments It (1) clarifies that a municipality that has not already imposed a disproportionate rental fee is authorized to impose the fee after meeting specified requirements and conditions; (2) requires municipalities imposing a disproportionate rental fee for the first time to establish a good landlord program allowing the landlord to qualify for a reduction in the disproportionate rental fee if complying with certain requirements;(3) removes the requirement to update the municipal services study every six years for municipalities with a good landlord program; (4) adds "enforcement of municipal ordinances" to the definition of municipal services; (5) clarifies and rewrites provisions that grandfather certain municipalities from certain requirements and restrictions; (6) establishes a deadline for completing a municipal services study for certain municipalities; (7) changes the term "governing body" to "legislative body" in certain provisions.</p>
<p><u>House Bill 418</u> <i>Sponsored by</i> <i>Representative Froerer</i> <i>(House District 8)</i></p>	<p>Delinquent Property Tax Amendments It increases the penalty imposed on delinquent property taxes from 2% to 5%; (2) provides that the penalty is only 2.5% if the delinquent property taxes and the 15 penalty are paid within 45 days of the delinquency; (3) provides that the interest rate that attaches to delinquent taxes and the penalty be no less than 7%; (4) and no more than 12%; (5)and makes technical changes.</p>
<p><u>Senate Bill 95</u> <i>Sponsored by</i> <i>Senator Jenkins</i> <i>(Senate District 20)</i></p>	<p>Mobile Home Park Amendments It requires that a lease between a mobile home park owner and a resident disclose the utilities owned and maintained through service fees charged to the resident by the mobile home park; and makes technical corrections.</p>

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