


Family Law Legislation 2017


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House Bills

Title: Alimony Revisions http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0015.pdf	Sponsor: Kevin J. Stratton	HB 15 
Purpose: This bill provides that the court shall consider whether a parent has lost workplace experience opportunities while caring for a child. Actual text: 91 (ii) the recipient's earning capacity or ability to produce income, <u>including the impact</u> 92 <u>of diminished workplace experience resulting from primarily caring for a child of the payor</u> 93 <u>spouse;</u>		
Executive Committee Recommendations: Support (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Support Family Law Section Members: Support 17 ; Oppose 4; No Position: Utah Bar Position:		
Status: House Judiciary Feb 10 th passed 10-0-1; House Feb 24 th passed 67-0-8; Senate Judiciary Mar 1 st passed 5-0-2; Senate consent calendar; Mar 6 th passed 25-0-4; enrolled.		

Title: Child Welfare Proceeding Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0072.pdf	Sponsor: Michael S. Kennedy	HB 72
Purpose: This bill requires the court, under certain circumstances, to render a decision on a petition for termination of parental rights within a specified time.		
Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 6; Oppose 3; No Position: 7 Utah Bar Position:		
Status: House Judiciary Mar 6 th returned to Rules.		

Title: Child Placement Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0073.pdf	Sponsor: Jeremy A. Peterson	HB 73
Purpose: This bill requires the Division of Child and Family Services to determine whether a parent or guardian has an outstanding felony arrest warrant before recommending the return of a child to the custody of the parent or guardian; and allows the juvenile court to deny the return of a child to the custody of a parent or guardian if the parent or guardian has an outstanding felony arrest warrant.		
Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support: 13 ; Oppose 1; No Position: 5 Utah Bar Position:		
Status: House Judiciary Feb 14 th passed 9-0-3; House Feb 27 th passed 72-0-3; Senate Judiciary March 2 nd passed 3-0-4; Senate Mar 7 th Second reading send to Rules.		

Title: Bigamy Offenses Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0099.pdf Amendment: http://www.le.utah.gov/~2017/pamend/hb0099s01.hca.02.pdf	Sponsor: Michael E. Noel	HB 99 
Purpose: This bill revises the definitions of bigamy and child bigamy. Actual Text: 25 (1) A person is guilty of bigamy when, knowing the <u>the person</u> has a husband or wife 26 or knowing the other person has a husband or wife, the person purports to marry another 27 person or cohabits with another <u>and cohabitates with the other person.</u>		
Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 4; Oppose:9; No Position: 6 Utah Bar Position:		
Status: House Judiciary Feb 1 st held 12-0-0; Feb 7 th passed amended version 7-3-0; House Feb 23 rd passed 48 25 2; Senate Mar 9 th suspension of rules passed 15-14-0; enrolled		


Title: Adoptive Studies and Evaluations Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillamd/HB0101S02.pdf	Sponsor: Edward H. Redd	HB 101 2nd Sub 
Purpose: This bill addresses who may conduct a home study as part of a preplacement adoptive evaluation; requires a home study to contain certain information; and makes technical and conforming changes.		

<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 1; Oppose 12; No Position: 7 Utah Bar Position:</p>
<p>Status: House Health and Human Services Jan 30th Substitute bill passed 12-0-0; House Feb 8th substituted 2nd Sub on voice vote; Feb 10th passed 68-0-7; Senate Feb 23rd amended and passed 24-0-5, Feb 24th House concurs with Senate amendments 72-0-3; enrolled.</p>

<p>Title: Cohabitant Abuse Act Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0102.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Angela Romero</p>	<p>HB 102</p>
<p>Purpose: This bill defines the term "intimate partner" within the Cohabitant Abuse Procedures Act and the Cohabitant Abuse Act. Actual Text: 66 (5) "Intimate partner" means, as it relates to an individual: 67 (a) the individual's current or former spouse; 68 (b) the other parent of the individual's child; 69 (c) the biological parent of the individual's unborn child; or 70 (d) another individual who resides or has resided with the individual in a romantic, 71 dating, or sexual relationship.</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 4; Oppose: 17; No Position: Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: House Rules;</p>		


<p>Title: Child Support Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0116.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Kim F. Coleman</p>	<p>HB 116</p>
<p>Purpose: This bill addresses definitions; addresses when child support obligation ends; and makes technical and conforming changes.</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Oppose Family Law Section Members: Support 1; Oppose: 21 ; No Position: Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: House Judiciary Mar 6th returned to Rules;</p>		


<p>Title: Adult Protective Services</p>	<p>Sponsor: Rebecca P. Edwards</p>	<p>HB 129</p>
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Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0129.pdf		
<p>Purpose: This bill defines "emergency protective services"; requires Adult Protective Services to provide emergency protective services, subject to court order; allows the Division of Occupational and Professional Licensing access to the Adult 18 Protective Services database; clarifies that protective services are provided only on a voluntary basis and emergency protective services are provided under court order; clarifies the venue for court proceedings for protective services and emergency protective services; establishes requirements and the process for a court to order emergency protective services; sets time limits for emergency protective services; allows a court to authorize forcible entry by a peace officer into the premises where the vulnerable adult may be found;</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support: 4 ; Oppose 1; No Position: 12 Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: House Judiciary Jan 31st passed 8-0-4; House Feb 14th passed 72-0-3; Senate Judiciary Feb 23rd passed 3-0-4; Senate Mar 3rd passed 23-0-6; enrolled.</p>		

Title: Child Placement Revisions http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0131.pdf Substituted and Amended Mar 1 st : http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillamd/HB0131S01.pdf	Sponsor: Kay J. Christofferson	HB 131 1st Sub
<p>Purpose: This bill requires the division to make an ongoing child placement that is in the child's best interests without the division giving undue preference to the child's emergency placement; allows a child's relative to petition the juvenile court to review the division's ongoing placement decision; gives adoption placement preference to married relatives of a child over an unmarried relative; and makes technical changes.</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 3; Oppose 9; No Position: 9 Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: House Judiciary Mar 1 passed 7-0-5; House Mar 6th passed 64-11-0; Senate 1st reading</p>		


Title: Foster Children Visitation Amendments	Sponsor: Ken Ivory	HB 145 1st Sub
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http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0145.pdf Substitute: http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0145S01.pdf Amended: http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillamd/HB0145S01.pdf		
Purpose: This bill defines the term "sibling"; requires the division to make reasonable efforts for sibling visitation when siblings are separated due to foster care or adoptive placement; allows the court to order sibling visitation when the visitation is in the best interest of the child; and makes technical changes. Substitute adds consent requirement: <u>the division has consent for sibling visitation from the legal guardian of the sibling;</u>		
Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 5; Oppose 6; No Position: 7 Utah Bar Position:		
Status: House Judiciary Jan 31 st failed 3-4-5; Feb 10 th 1 st Sub passed 10-0-2; House Feb 24 th passed 68-0-7; Senate Judiciary Mar 2 nd passed 4-0-3; Senate consent calendar; Senate Mar 8 th passed 26-0-3 sent to House with amendments; House Mar 8 th concurs with Senate amendment 74-0-1; enrolled		


Title: Child Abuse Offender Registry Substitute Bill http://www.le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0149S01.pdf Amended: http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillamd/HB0149S02.pdf	Sponsor: Derrin R. Owens	HB 149 1st Sub 
Purpose: This bill creates the Child Abuse Offender Registry; requires persons convicted of felony child abuse, child endangerment, and human trafficking to register; specifies requirements for registration; sets penalties for failure to register; and places the registry within the Department of Human Services.		
Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 9; Oppose: 4 ; No Position: 2 Utah Bar Position:		
Status: House Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Jan 26 th held 10-0-2; Feb 7 th passed substitute 8-0-4; House Feb 21 st passed 75-0-0; Senate Judiciary Mar 6 th passed 2-1-4; Senate Mar 8 th passed with amendments 15-12-2; House Mar 8 th concurs with Senate 67-6-2; enrolled.		

<p>Title: Disabled Parent Custody Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0150.pdf Amended Bill: http://www.le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillamd/HB0150.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Patrice Arent</p>	<p>HB 150 </p>
<p>Purpose: This bill addresses a court taking into consideration the disability of a parent in determining custody and makes technical changes including modifying references to husband and wife and mother or father. House Judiciary Amendment: 86 custody or modifying an award of custody based on a determination of a substantial change , unless</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: Support (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Support Family Law Section Members: Support: 16 ; Oppose2; No Position: Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: House Judiciary Jan 31st passed 10-0-2 with amendment; House Feb 7th passed 74-0-1; Senate Judiciary Feb 13th passed 4-0-3; Senate Feb 16th passed 26-0-3; Enrolled</p>		


<p>Title: Parental Kidnapping Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0173.pdf 1st Substitute: http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0173S01.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Val K. Potter</p>	<p>HB 173 1st Sub</p>
<p>Purpose: This bill defines the new criminal offense of parental kidnapping as one parent withholding a child from the other parent or guardian in such a way that the parent or guardian cannot exercise certain civil remedies; states that parental kidnapping is a class B misdemeanor for the first and second convictions; makes parental kidnapping a class A misdemeanor on the third conviction; and increases the designation to a third degree felony if the child is removed from the state.</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Oppose Family Law Section Members: Support 1; Oppose 15; No Position: 2 Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: House Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Feb 16th passed 1st Substitute 9-0-3; House Feb 27th passed 72-0-3; Senate Judiciary Mar 6 failed 2-2-3 returned to Rules;</p>		

<p>Title: Custody and Adoption Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0197.pdf 1st Substitute adopted Feb 10th: http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0197S01.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Timothy D. Hawkes</p>	<p>HB 197 1st Sub </p>
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<p>Purpose: This bill: prohibits custody being granted to a person who is not a biological parent and has committed certain offenses; prohibits adoption by a person who has committed certain offenses; and makes technical changes.</p>
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Await Section Vote totals Family Law Section Members: Support 2; Oppose 16; No Position: Utah Bar Position:</p>
<p>Status: House Judiciary Feb 7th held 8-2-2; Feb 10th 1st Substitute adopted and passed 12-0-0; House Feb 24th passed 64-0-11; Senate Judiciary Mar 2nd passed 4-0-3; Mar 7th second reading calendar to Rules; Mar 9th passed on suspension of rules 25-1-3; enrolled</p>

<p>Title: High Needs Children Adoption Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0199.pdf Amended by House Feb 28th: http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillamd/HB0199.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Merrill F. Nelson</p>	<p>HB 199 </p>
<p>Purpose:</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 16; Oppose ; No Position: 1 Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: House Judiciary Feb 16th passed 8-3-1; House Feb 28th amended and passed 57-14-4; Senate Judiciary Mar 6th passed 4-0-3; Senate Mar 8th passed on suspension of rules 27-0-1, enrolled</p>		

<p>Title: Expungement for Juveniles http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0205.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Dixon M. Pitcher</p>	<p>HB 205</p>
<p>Purpose: This bill modifies provisions relating to records kept following expungement of a person's record of offenses committed while under the age of 21; and makes technical changes.</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 3; Oppose 2; No Position: 8 Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: House Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Committee Feb 3rd, not considered; Mar 6th returned to Rules;</p>		


<p>Title: Domestic Violence – Weapons Restrictions http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0206.pdf 1st Sub with amendments</p>	<p>Sponsor: Brian S. King</p>	<p>HB 206 1st Sub </p>
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http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillamd/HB0206S01.pdf Amended by Senate Judiciary Mar 1 st : http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillamd/HB0206S01.pdf		
Purpose: This bill: expands the scope of a Category II restricted person to include: a person who is subject to a protective order or child protective order; and a person who has been convicted of assault or aggravated assault against a cohabitant.		
Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 11; Oppose ; No Position: Utah Bar Position:		
Status: House Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Committee Feb 10 th passed 10-0-2; House Feb 23 rd substituted and amended passed 68-0-7; Senate Judiciary amended and passed 4-0-3; Senate Mar 7 th 23-2-4; House Mar 8 th concurs with Senate 72-0-3; enrolled.		

Title: Domestic Violence Related Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0248.pdf 1 st Amendment adopted Feb 16th: http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0248S01.pdf Amended by House Feb 28 th ; http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillamd/HB0248S01.pdf	Sponsor: LaVar Christensen	HB 248 
Purpose: This bill: amends definition provisions; modifies conditions for release after arrest for domestic violence; addresses enforcement of restitution requirements; provides the process for the issuance of continuous protective orders; addresses form for protective orders; modifies conditions for dismissals of protective orders; enacts language related to enforcement of domestic violence related provisions; and makes technical changes.		
Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 6; Oppose 1; No Position: 1 Utah Bar Position:		
Status: House Judiciary Feb 16 th with amendment passed 11-0-1; House Feb 28 th amended and passed 73-1-1; Senate Economic Development Mar 3 passed 3-0-4; Senate Mar 7 th second reading calendar sent to Rules; Mar 8 th passed on suspension of rules 28-0-1; enrolled		

Title: Child Protection Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0271.pdf	Sponsor: Elizabeth Weight	HB 271
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<p>Purpose: This bill defines the term "abandoned child"; requires a temporary homeless youth shelter to notify law enforcement within 24 hours of becoming aware that a minor is an abandoned child; states that it is not reasonable discipline or management of a child to remove the child from the child's home for an extended period of time without making arrangements for the child's subsistence, education, or medical care, or any other care necessary for the child's health, safety, or well-being; states that a parent's disapproval of a child's expressed sexual orientation or gender identity, or the parent's perception of the child's sexual orientation or gender identity, is not a defense to criminal nonsupport; and makes technical changes.</p>
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 2; Oppose 2; No Position: Utah Bar Position:</p>
<p>Status: House Judiciary Mar 6th held and returned to Rules 11-0-1;</p>


<p>Title: Expenses of Minor Children Amendments http://www.le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0278.pdf 1st Substitute adopted Mar 1st: http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0278S01.pdf Amendment adopted Mar 1st: http://le.utah.gov/~2017/pamend/hb0278s01.hca.01.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Rebecca Chavez-Houck</p>	<p>HB 278 </p>
<p>Purpose: This bill: under certain circumstances, requires a person to separately bill the parents of a minor child for the portion of the minor child's expenses for which each parent is responsible under court order; under certain circumstances, prohibits a creditor from making a negative credit report against a parent who has paid in full the portion of a minor child's expenses for which the parent is responsible under court order; addresses the effect of a waiver for one parent on the other parent's obligation to pay the balance of a minor child's expenses; and makes technical and conforming changes</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 7; Oppose 2; No Position: 1 Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: House Judiciary Feb 28th 1st Substitute and 1st Amendment adopted and passed 9-0-3; House Mar 2nd passed 73-0-2; Senate Judiciary passed 3-0-4 placed on consent calendar; Senate Mar 6th consent calendar; Mar 8th passed 23-0-6; enrolled</p>		


<p>Title: Grandparent Visitation Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0289.pdf Third Substitute: http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0289S03.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: LaVar Christensen</p>	<p>HB 289 3rd Sub</p>
<p>Purpose:</p> <p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Oppose Family Law Section Members: Support ; Oppose 7; No Position: Utah Bar Position: Oppose</p> <p>Status: House Judiciary Feb 24th passed 8-2-2; House Mar 3rd passed 3rd Sub 40-30-5; Senate Mar 7th second reading circled;</p>		

<p>Title: Parenting Plan Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0321.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: V. Lowry Snow</p>	<p>HB 321</p>
<p>Purpose: This bill lists decisions related to an education plan; addresses who can make the education plan; and makes technical changes</p> <p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 9; Oppose ; No Position: 1 Utah Bar Position:</p> <p>Status: House Judiciary Feb 17th passed 10-0-2; House Feb 28th passed 69-0-6; Senate Judiciary Mar 6th passed 3-0-4; Senate Mar 7th second reading sent to Rules;</p>		

<p>Title: Protective Order Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/hbillint/HB0419.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Dixon M. Pitcher</p>	<p>HB 419</p>
<p>Purpose: This bill: amends the definition of "abuse" that is used for a child protective order; and makes technical changes.</p> <p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support ; Oppose 2; No Position: Utah Bar Position:</p> <p>Status: House Judiciary Feb 28th held 10-0-2</p>		


Senate Bills

<p>Title: Retirement Systems Payments to Survivors Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillint/SB0019.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Margaret Dayton</p>	<p>SB 19 </p>
<p>Purpose: This bill provides that the divorce or annulment of a member's marriage revokes any beneficiary designation naming the divorced member's former spouse; specifies the methods for reviving a former spouse as a member's designated beneficiary in certain circumstances; and makes technical changes.</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 1; Oppose: 13; No Position: 1 Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: Senate Jan 23rd passed 27-0-2; House Retirement and Independent Entities Committee Feb 1st passed 8-0-1; House passed 71-0-4; Enrolled;</p>		

<p>Title: Retirement Systems Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillint/SB0021S01.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Daniel Hemmert</p>	<p>SB 21 1st Sub </p>
<p>Purpose: This bill modifies the responsibility for certain functions within the Utah Retirement Systems; modifies an exception to the postretirement reemployment restrictions; modifies certain retiree notification and benefit conversion provisions relating to retirement options affected by death or divorce; specifies additional names for the Public Employees' Benefit and Insurance Program; and makes technical changes</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 1; Oppose 1; No Position: 9 Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: Senate Jan 24th passed 24-0-5; House Business and Labor Jan 30th passed 13-0-1; House Feb 1st passed 73-0-2; Enrolled</p>		


<p>Title: Utah Marriage Commission</p>	<p>Sponsor: Allen M. Christensen</p>	<p>SB 29</p>
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<p>Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillint/SB0029.pdf Amended bill: http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillamd/SB0029.pdf</p>		
<p>Purpose: This bill: 15 increases the marriage license fee by \$20 and creates a restricted account to support marriage and relationship strengthening efforts in the state; offers a couple a \$20 rebate if both parties complete premarital education or counseling that meets specific criteria; provides content requirements for premarital education and counseling; provides requirements for providers of premarital education and counseling; creates the Marriage Education Restricted Account; and provides a reporting requirement. Senate Judiciary Amendment: replaced “husband and wife” with “spouses”</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support: 6 ; Oppose 4; No Position: 3 Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: Senate Judiciary Jan 25th amended bill passed 3-1-3; Senate Feb 10th passed second reading 17-12-0; Feb 13th failed third reading 14-14-1;</p>		

<p>Title: Adoption Revisions http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillint/SB0054.pdf Second Substitute: http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillamd/SB0054S02.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Todd Weiler</p>	<p>SB 54 2nd Sub </p>
<p>Purpose: This bill: amends provisions related to a birth mother's declaration regarding potential birth fathers; provides that, under certain circumstances, a court may allow a prospective adoptive parent to adopt a child without releasing the pre-existing parent from parental rights and duties; provides that any documents filed in connection with a petition for adoption are sealed; and permits a child-placing agency to provide certain information, except identifying information, to an adult adoptee.</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 2; Oppose: 13; No Position: 3 Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: Senate Judiciary Jan 25th passed 3-0-4; Senate Jan 30th 2nd Substitute adopted by voice vote; Feb 3rd passed 27-0-2; House Judiciary Mar 3rd passed 9-0-3; House March 7th passed 60-11-4; enrolled.</p>		


<p>Title: Imputed Income Amendments</p>	<p>Sponsor: Joseph L. Anderegg</p>	<p>SB 68</p>
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http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillint/SB0068.pdf		
<p>Purpose: This bill provides that income may not be imputed to a parent with no recent work history and occupational qualifications; and makes technical changes.</p> <p>Actual text:</p> <p>71 (ii) Income may not be imputed to a parent for an occupation for which the parent has</p> <p>72 no recent and significant work history and has no recent occupational qualifications, unless</p> <p>it</p> <p>73 can be shown that the parent can obtain employment in that occupation.</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Oppose Family Law Section Members: Support: 2; Oppose: 16 ; No Position: 1 Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: Senate Judiciary Jan 30th held; Mar 1st held 3-1-3; Mar 6 returned to Rules;</p>		


Title: Amendments to Child Welfare http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillint/SB0085.pdf	Sponsor: Wayne A. Harper	SB 85 
<p>Purpose: This bill amends the definition of foster home; and allows the division to exceed the numerical limit of foster children placed in a foster home to permit a sibling group who re-enters foster care to return to a previous foster home.</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 2; Oppose ; No Position: 8 Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: Senate Health and Human Services Jan 24th passed 6-0-2; Senate third reading passed Jan 26th 26-0-3; House Health and Human Services Feb 6th passed 9-0-3; House Feb 8th passed 72-0-3; enrolled;</p>		

Title: Uniform Parentage Act Amendments http://www.le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillint/SB0147.pdf	Sponsor: Lyle W. Hillyard	SB 147 
<p>Purpose: This bill: allows the enforcement of child support obligations against all parents; states that a presumption of maternity shall be determined in the same manner as a presumption of paternity; and addresses the presumption of parentage.</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Support Family Law Section Members: Support 12; Oppose ; No Position: Utah Bar Position: Support</p>		


Status: Senate Judiciary Feb 6th passed 4-0-3; Senate Feb 22nd passed 29-0-0; House Judiciary Mar 6th passed 8-0-4; House Mar 9th passed 69-3-3; enrolled


Title: Child Support Income Calculation Amendments http://www.le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillint/SB0153.pdf	Sponsor: Lyle W. Hillyard	SB 153 
Purpose: This bill: addresses the impact of incarceration; modifies how imputed income is calculated; and makes technical changes.		
Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Support Family Law Section Members: Support 10; Oppose ; No Position: 1 Utah Bar Position:		
Status: Senate Judiciary Feb 6 th passed 4-0-3; Senate Feb 22 nd passed 28-0-1; House Judiciary Mar 6 th passed 10-0-2; House Mar 9 th passed 69-0-6; enrolled		

Title: Child Support Guidelines Advisory Committee Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillint/SB0188.pdf	Sponsor: Lyle W. Hillyard	SB 188 
Purpose: This bill: addresses the time when the governor shall appoint members to a child support guidelines advisory committee; and makes technical changes.		
Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 3; Oppose ; No Position: 2 Utah Bar Position:		
Status: Senate Judiciary Feb 9 th 4-0-3; Senate Feb 15 th passed 28-0-1; House Law Enforcement Feb 24 th passed 10-0-2; House Feb 27 th passed 73-0-2; Enrolled		

Title: Parent Time Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillint/SB0202.pdf	Sponsor: J. Stuart Adams	SB 202 
Purpose: This bill: addresses parent-time when children's school schedules differ; and makes technical changes.		
Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 2; Oppose ; No Position: 1 Utah Bar Position:		

Status: Senate Judiciary Feb 15th passed 4-0-3; Senate Feb 22nd passed 28-0-1; House Judiciary Mar 3rd passed 7-0-5; House Mar 7th passed 68-0-7; enrolled.

<p>Title: Permanent Criminal Stalking Injunction Amendment http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillint/SB0226.pdf House amendments: http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillamd/SB0226.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Todd Weiler</p>	<p>SB 226 </p>
<p>Purpose: This bill amends provisions related to offenses that serve as an application for a permanent criminal stalking injunction.</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support 2; Oppose ; No Position: Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: Senate Judiciary Feb 21st passed 4-0-3; Senate Mar 1st passed 23-0-6 ; House Law Enforcement Mar 3 passed 11-0-1; House Mar 7th passed with amendments 67-0-8; Senate Mar 7th concurs with house amendments; enrolled</p>		

<p>Title: Servicemembers Custody and Visitation Amendments http://le.utah.gov/~2017/bills/sbillint/SB0237.pdf</p>	<p>Sponsor: Lyle Hillyard</p>	<p>SB 237 </p>
<p>Purpose: This bill: addresses custody of children in case of separation or divorce; amends definition provisions; provides the modification or termination of a custody order; amends advisory guidelines; addresses parenting plans; addresses temporary agreements granting custodial responsibility during deployment; amends requirement to file agreement or power of attorney; modifies provisions related to terminating a temporary grant of custodial responsibility; and makes technical changes.</p>		
<p>Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Support Family Law Section Members: Support 5; Oppose ; No Position: Utah Bar Position:</p>		
<p>Status: Senate Judiciary Feb 21st passed 5-0-2; Senate Mar 1st passed 27-0-1; House Judiciary Mar 6th passed 11-0-1 placed on consent calendar; House Mar 9th passed 68-0-7; enrolled.</p>		

<p>Title:</p>	<p>Sponsor:</p>	<p>HB</p>
<p>Purpose:</p>		

Executive Committee Recommendations: (Judges and Commissioners on EC take no positions on legislative matters) Family Law Section Position: Family Law Section Members: Support ; Oppose ; No Position: Utah Bar Position: Status:

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