

RAMPAGE VIOLENCE PREVENTION STUDY

2020 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Lee B. Perry

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE**General Description:**

This bill requires the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice to conduct a study on rampage violence.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- defines terms;
- requires the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice to conduct a study on rampage violence;
- authorizes the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice to contract with a state agency, private entity, or research institution to assist in the study on rampage violence;
- requires the State Commission on Criminal and Juvenile Justice to report to the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee regarding the study on rampage violence; and
- makes technical changes.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

63I-2-263, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapters 182, 240, 246, 325, 370,
and 483

ENACTS:

63M-7-213, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **63I-2-263** is amended to read:

63I-2-263. Repeal dates, Title 63A to Title 63N.

(1) On July 1, 2020:

(a) Subsection **63A-1-203**(5)(a)(i) is repealed; and

(b) in Subsection **63A-1-203**(5)(a)(ii), the language that states "appointed on or after
May 8, 2018," is repealed.

~~[(2) Sections **63C-4a-307** and **63C-4a-309** are repealed January 1, 2020.]~~

~~[(3)]~~ (2) Title 63C, Chapter 19, Higher Education Strategic Planning Commission is
repealed July 1, 2020.

~~[(4)]~~ (3) The following sections regarding the World War II Memorial Commission are
repealed on July 1, 2020:

(a) Section **63G-1-801**;

(b) Section **63G-1-802**;

(c) Section **63G-1-803**; and

(d) Section **63G-1-804**.

~~[(5)]~~ (4) In relation to the State Fair Park Committee, on January 1, 2021:

(a) Section **63H-6-104.5** is repealed; and

(b) Subsections **63H-6-104**(8) and (9) are repealed.

~~[(6)]~~ (5) Section **63H-7a-303** is repealed on July 1, 2022.

~~[(7)]~~ (6) In relation to the Employability to Careers Program Board, on July 1, 2022:

(a) Subsection **63J-1-602.1**(52) is repealed;

(b) Subsection **63J-4-301**(1)(h), related to the review of data and metrics, is repealed;
and

(c) Title 63J, Chapter 4, Part 7, Employability to Careers Program, is repealed.

[~~(8)~~] (7) Section 63J-4-708 is repealed January 1, 2023.

(8) Section 63M-7-213 is repealed on January 1, 2023.

Section 2. Section **63M-7-213** is enacted to read:

63M-7-213. Study on rampage violence -- Report.

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Perpetrator" means an individual responsible for a rampage violence incident.

(b) "Rampage violence incident" means a violent act or shooting that occurs in a place of public use and results in three or more fatalities.

(2) Before October 2022, the commission shall conduct a study on rampage violence incidents.

(3) Before October 1, 2020, the commission shall:

(a) determine what information, and from which local, state, or federal agencies, will be necessary to complete the study;

(b) determine the cost of the study;

(c) make recommendations for legislation, if any, that is necessary to facilitate information sharing between local, state, federal, and private entities and the division for the study; and

(d) report the findings described in Subsections (3)(a) through (c) to the Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee.

(4) The study described in Subsection (2) shall:

(a) evaluate rampage violence incidents that have occurred in the United States by researching, for each rampage violence incident evaluated:

(i) where the rampage violence incident took place;

(ii) the duration of the rampage violence incident;

(iii) the weapon used in the rampage violence incident;

(iv) whether the perpetrator:

(A) had any history of mental illness, substance abuse, criminal or domestic violence charges, or making violent threats; or

(B) experienced a significant life stressor before the rampage violence incident;

(v) the age and gender of the perpetrator; and

(vi) any apparent motive of the perpetrator for the rampage violence incident;

90 (b) evaluate rampage violence incidents that have occurred in the state in the manner
91 described in Subsection (4)(a); and

92 (c) examine policies or legislation enacted in the United States in response to a
93 rampage violence incident and the effectiveness of the policies or legislation.

94 (5) The commission shall ensure that the study described in Subsection (2) is
95 conducted:

96 (a) in an unbiased manner with no preconceived notions about potential results; and

97 (b) by a multi-disciplinary team comprised of individuals who represent the following
98 disciplines:

99 (i) public health;

100 (ii) mental health;

101 (iii) social science; and

102 (iv) criminal science.

103 (6) The commission may contract with another state agency, private entity, or research
104 institution to assist the division with the study described in Subsection (2).

105 (7) (a) Before November 30, 2022, the commission shall submit to the Law
106 Enforcement and Criminal Justice Interim Committee a final report regarding the study
107 described in Subsection (2), including proposed legislation and recommendations for
108 prevention of rampage violence incidents.

109 (b) The final report shall include references to all sources of information and data used
110 in the final report and study.