

**JOINT RESOLUTION REGARDING CONSTRUCTION OR
DEMOLITION MATERIAL**

2020 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Luz Escamilla

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LONG TITLE

General Description:

This joint resolution requests the development of recommendations for ordinances related to construction or demolition material.

Highlighted Provisions:

This resolution:

- ▶ acknowledges the disposal of construction or demolition material;
- ▶ acknowledges that local ordinances could increase diversion rates; and
- ▶ requests the Utah League of Cities and Towns and the Utah Association of Counties

to:

- make recommendations as to local ordinances addressing diversion rates and reuse of construction or demolition materials available to their members;
- make recommendations as to local ordinances that are reasonable; and
- make available to their members a repository of existing local ordinances addressing diversion rates and reuse of construction or demolition materials.

Special Clauses:

None

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

WHEREAS, "construction or demolition material" includes building materials, packaging, and rubble resulting from construction, demolition, remodeling, and repair of pavements, houses, commercial buildings, and other structures, and from road building and

land clearing that may be recycled or converted to scrap that is processed material for use in new products;

WHEREAS, "diversion rate" means the percentage of construction or demolition material diverted from disposal through methods including waste prevention, recycling, or reuse;

WHEREAS, construction activities in the state generate construction or demolition material that is currently being disposed;

WHEREAS, counties or municipalities can by ordinance increase the diversion rate for construction or demolition material; and

WHEREAS, counties or municipalities are more likely to adopt ordinances to increase the diversion rate for construction or demolition material if there are recommendations for how these ordinances would work:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah requests that the Utah League of Cities and Towns and the Utah Association of Counties make recommendations to their members by December 31, 2020, regarding ordinances that a county or municipality may adopt or modify to require:

(1) a range of diversion rates of construction or demolition materials from 50% to 75% as determined by the Utah League of Cities and Towns and the Utah Association of Counties; and

(2) a percentage of reuse of construction or demolition materials of 10%.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature requests that the recommendations for ordinances under this resolution be reasonable and take into account issues such as the availability in a geographic area of services for recycling.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature requests that the Utah League of Cities and Towns and the Utah Association of Counties make available to their members by December 31, 2020, a repository of existing local ordinances addressing diversion rates and reuse of construction or demolition materials.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of the resolution be provided to the Utah

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