

**Senator Ralph Okerlund** proposes the following substitute bill:

**CHILD INTERVIEW AMENDMENTS**

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STATE OF UTAH

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**LONG TITLE**

**General Description:**

This bill amends provisions relating to an interview conducted at a Children's Justice Center.

**Highlighted Provisions:**

This bill:

- ▶ provides that a video or audio recording of an interview, or a transcript of the video or audio recording, that is conducted at a Children's Justice Center is not a record under the Government Records Access and Management Act;
- ▶ clarifies the right of child victims to keep confidential their interviews that are conducted at a Children's Justice Center, including video and audio recordings, and transcripts of those recordings;
- ▶ clarifies that a parent or guardian of the child victim may petition a juvenile or district court for an order allowing the parent or guardian to view a recording or transcript upon a finding of good cause;
- ▶ clarifies who can distribute, display, receive, and view a recording or transcript without a court order; and
- ▶ provides that it is a class B misdemeanor for any individual to distribute, release, or display any recording or transcript, except as otherwise provided in this bill.



26 **Money Appropriated in this Bill:**

27 None

28 **Other Special Clauses:**

29 This bill provides an immediate effective date.

30 **Utah Code Sections Affected:**

31 AMENDS:

32 **63G-2-103**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2012, Chapters 369 and 377

33 **63G-2-305**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2013, Chapters 12, 445, and 447

34 **77-37-4**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 247

35 **78A-6-317**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2010, Chapter 247



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

38 Section 1. Section **63G-2-103** is amended to read:

39 **63G-2-103. Definitions.**

40 As used in this chapter:

41 (1) "Audit" means:

42 (a) a systematic examination of financial, management, program, and related records  
43 for the purpose of determining the fair presentation of financial statements, adequacy of  
44 internal controls, or compliance with laws and regulations; or

45 (b) a systematic examination of program procedures and operations for the purpose of  
46 determining their effectiveness, economy, efficiency, and compliance with statutes and  
47 regulations.

48 (2) "Chronological logs" mean the regular and customary summary records of law  
49 enforcement agencies and other public safety agencies that show:

50 (a) the time and general nature of police, fire, and paramedic calls made to the agency;  
51 and

52 (b) any arrests or jail bookings made by the agency.

53 (3) "Classification," "classify," and their derivative forms mean determining whether a  
54 record series, record, or information within a record is public, private, controlled, protected, or  
55 exempt from disclosure under Subsection **63G-2-201(3)(b)**.

56 (4) (a) "Computer program" means:

57 (i) a series of instructions or statements that permit the functioning of a computer  
58 system in a manner designed to provide storage, retrieval, and manipulation of data from the  
59 computer system; and

60 (ii) any associated documentation and source material that explain how to operate the  
61 computer program.

62 (b) "Computer program" does not mean:

63 (i) the original data, including numbers, text, voice, graphics, and images;

64 (ii) analysis, compilation, and other manipulated forms of the original data produced by  
65 use of the program; or

66 (iii) the mathematical or statistical formulas, excluding the underlying mathematical  
67 algorithms contained in the program, that would be used if the manipulated forms of the  
68 original data were to be produced manually.

69 (5) (a) "Contractor" means:

70 (i) any person who contracts with a governmental entity to provide goods or services  
71 directly to a governmental entity; or

72 (ii) any private, nonprofit organization that receives funds from a governmental entity.

73 (b) "Contractor" does not mean a private provider.

74 (6) "Controlled record" means a record containing data on individuals that is controlled  
75 as provided by Section [63G-2-304](#).

76 (7) "Designation," "designate," and their derivative forms mean indicating, based on a  
77 governmental entity's familiarity with a record series or based on a governmental entity's  
78 review of a reasonable sample of a record series, the primary classification that a majority of  
79 records in a record series would be given if classified and the classification that other records  
80 typically present in the record series would be given if classified.

81 (8) "Elected official" means each person elected to a state office, county office,  
82 municipal office, school board or school district office, local district office, or special service  
83 district office, but does not include judges.

84 (9) "Explosive" means a chemical compound, device, or mixture:

85 (a) commonly used or intended for the purpose of producing an explosion; and

86 (b) that contains oxidizing or combustive units or other ingredients in proportions,  
87 quantities, or packing so that:

88 (i) an ignition by fire, friction, concussion, percussion, or detonator of any part of the  
89 compound or mixture may cause a sudden generation of highly heated gases; and

90 (ii) the resultant gaseous pressures are capable of:

91 (A) producing destructive effects on contiguous objects; or

92 (B) causing death or serious bodily injury.

93 (10) "Government audit agency" means any governmental entity that conducts an audit.

94 (11) (a) "Governmental entity" means:

95 (i) executive department agencies of the state, the offices of the governor, lieutenant  
96 governor, state auditor, attorney general, and state treasurer, the Board of Pardons and Parole,  
97 the Board of Examiners, the National Guard, the Career Service Review Office, the State  
98 Board of Education, the State Board of Regents, and the State Archives;

99 (ii) the Office of the Legislative Auditor General, Office of the Legislative Fiscal  
100 Analyst, Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel, the Legislature, and legislative  
101 committees, except any political party, group, caucus, or rules or sifting committee of the  
102 Legislature;

103 (iii) courts, the Judicial Council, the Office of the Court Administrator, and similar  
104 administrative units in the judicial branch;

105 (iv) any state-funded institution of higher education or public education; or

106 (v) any political subdivision of the state, but, if a political subdivision has adopted an  
107 ordinance or a policy relating to information practices pursuant to Section 63G-2-701, this  
108 chapter shall apply to the political subdivision to the extent specified in Section 63G-2-701 or  
109 as specified in any other section of this chapter that specifically refers to political subdivisions.

110 (b) "Governmental entity" also means every office, agency, board, bureau, committee,  
111 department, advisory board, or commission of an entity listed in Subsection (11)(a) that is  
112 funded or established by the government to carry out the public's business.

113 (c) "Governmental entity" does not include the Utah Educational Savings Plan created  
114 in Section 53B-8a-103.

115 (12) "Gross compensation" means every form of remuneration payable for a given  
116 period to an individual for services provided including salaries, commissions, vacation pay,  
117 severance pay, bonuses, and any board, rent, housing, lodging, payments in kind, and any  
118 similar benefit received from the individual's employer.

119 (13) "Individual" means a human being.

120 (14) (a) "Initial contact report" means an initial written or recorded report, however  
121 titled, prepared by peace officers engaged in public patrol or response duties describing official  
122 actions initially taken in response to either a public complaint about or the discovery of an  
123 apparent violation of law, which report may describe:

124 (i) the date, time, location, and nature of the complaint, the incident, or offense;

125 (ii) names of victims;

126 (iii) the nature or general scope of the agency's initial actions taken in response to the  
127 incident;

128 (iv) the general nature of any injuries or estimate of damages sustained in the incident;

129 (v) the name, address, and other identifying information about any person arrested or  
130 charged in connection with the incident; or

131 (vi) the identity of the public safety personnel, except undercover personnel, or  
132 prosecuting attorney involved in responding to the initial incident.

133 (b) Initial contact reports do not include follow-up or investigative reports prepared  
134 after the initial contact report. However, if the information specified in Subsection (14)(a)  
135 appears in follow-up or investigative reports, it may only be treated confidentially if it is  
136 private, controlled, protected, or exempt from disclosure under Subsection [63G-2-201\(3\)\(b\)](#).

137 (15) "Legislative body" means the Legislature.

138 (16) "Notice of compliance" means a statement confirming that a governmental entity  
139 has complied with a records committee order.

140 (17) "Person" means:

141 (a) an individual;

142 (b) a nonprofit or profit corporation;

143 (c) a partnership;

144 (d) a sole proprietorship;

145 (e) other type of business organization; or

146 (f) any combination acting in concert with one another.

147 (18) "Private provider" means any person who contracts with a governmental entity to  
148 provide services directly to the public.

149 (19) "Private record" means a record containing data on individuals that is private as

150 provided by Section 63G-2-302.

151 (20) "Protected record" means a record that is classified protected as provided by  
152 Section 63G-2-305.

153 (21) "Public record" means a record that is not private, controlled, or protected and that  
154 is not exempt from disclosure as provided in Subsection 63G-2-201(3)(b).

155 (22) (a) "Record" means a book, letter, document, paper, map, plan, photograph, film,  
156 card, tape, recording, electronic data, or other documentary material regardless of physical form  
157 or characteristics:

158 (i) that is prepared, owned, received, or retained by a governmental entity or political  
159 subdivision; and

160 (ii) where all of the information in the original is reproducible by photocopy or other  
161 mechanical or electronic means.

162 (b) "Record" does not mean:

163 (i) a personal note or personal communication prepared or received by an employee or  
164 officer of a governmental entity:

165 (A) in a capacity other than the employee's or officer's governmental capacity; or

166 (B) that is unrelated to the conduct of the public's business;

167 (ii) a temporary draft or similar material prepared for the originator's personal use or  
168 prepared by the originator for the personal use of an individual for whom the originator is  
169 working;

170 (iii) material that is legally owned by an individual in the individual's private capacity;

171 (iv) material to which access is limited by the laws of copyright or patent unless the  
172 copyright or patent is owned by a governmental entity or political subdivision;

173 (v) proprietary software;

174 (vi) junk mail or a commercial publication received by a governmental entity or an  
175 official or employee of a governmental entity;

176 (vii) a book that is cataloged, indexed, or inventoried and contained in the collections  
177 of a library open to the public;

178 (viii) material that is cataloged, indexed, or inventoried and contained in the collections  
179 of a library open to the public, regardless of physical form or characteristics of the material;

180 (ix) a daily calendar or other personal note prepared by the originator for the

181 originator's personal use or for the personal use of an individual for whom the originator is  
182 working;

183 (x) a computer program that is developed or purchased by or for any governmental  
184 entity for its own use;

185 (xi) a note or internal memorandum prepared as part of the deliberative process by:

186 (A) a member of the judiciary;

187 (B) an administrative law judge;

188 (C) a member of the Board of Pardons and Parole; or

189 (D) a member of any other body charged by law with performing a quasi-judicial  
190 function;

191 (xii) a telephone number or similar code used to access a mobile communication  
192 device that is used by an employee or officer of a governmental entity, provided that the  
193 employee or officer of the governmental entity has designated at least one business telephone  
194 number that is a public record as provided in Section [63G-2-301](#);

195 (xiii) information provided by the Public Employees' Benefit and Insurance Program,  
196 created in Section [49-20-103](#), to a county to enable the county to calculate the amount to be  
197 paid to a health care provider under Subsection [17-50-319\(2\)\(e\)\(ii\)](#); [~~or~~]

198 (xiv) information that an owner of unimproved property provides to a local entity as  
199 provided in Section [11-42-205](#)[~~-~~]; or

200 (xv) a video or audio recording of an interview, or a transcript of the video or audio  
201 recording, that is conducted at a Children's Justice Center established under Section [67-5b-102](#).

202 (23) "Record series" means a group of records that may be treated as a unit for  
203 purposes of designation, description, management, or disposition.

204 (24) "Records committee" means the State Records Committee created in Section  
205 [63G-2-501](#).

206 (25) "Records officer" means the individual appointed by the chief administrative  
207 officer of each governmental entity, or the political subdivision to work with state archives in  
208 the care, maintenance, scheduling, designation, classification, disposal, and preservation of  
209 records.

210 (26) "Schedule," "scheduling," and their derivative forms mean the process of  
211 specifying the length of time each record series should be retained by a governmental entity for

212 administrative, legal, fiscal, or historical purposes and when each record series should be  
213 transferred to the state archives or destroyed.

214 (27) "Sponsored research" means research, training, and other sponsored activities as  
215 defined by the federal Executive Office of the President, Office of Management and Budget:

216 (a) conducted:

217 (i) by an institution within the state system of higher education defined in Section  
218 53B-1-102; and

219 (ii) through an office responsible for sponsored projects or programs; and

220 (b) funded or otherwise supported by an external:

221 (i) person that is not created or controlled by the institution within the state system of  
222 higher education; or

223 (ii) federal, state, or local governmental entity.

224 (28) "State archives" means the Division of Archives and Records Service created in  
225 Section 63A-12-101.

226 (29) "State archivist" means the director of the state archives.

227 (30) "Summary data" means statistical records and compilations that contain data  
228 derived from private, controlled, or protected information but that do not disclose private,  
229 controlled, or protected information.

230 Section 2. Section 63G-2-305 is amended to read:

231 **63G-2-305. Protected records.**

232 The following records are protected if properly classified by a governmental entity:

233 (1) trade secrets as defined in Section 13-24-2 if the person submitting the trade secret  
234 has provided the governmental entity with the information specified in Section 63G-2-309;

235 (2) commercial information or nonindividual financial information obtained from a  
236 person if:

237 (a) disclosure of the information could reasonably be expected to result in unfair  
238 competitive injury to the person submitting the information or would impair the ability of the  
239 governmental entity to obtain necessary information in the future;

240 (b) the person submitting the information has a greater interest in prohibiting access  
241 than the public in obtaining access; and

242 (c) the person submitting the information has provided the governmental entity with



243 the information specified in Section 63G-2-309;

244 (3) commercial or financial information acquired or prepared by a governmental entity  
245 to the extent that disclosure would lead to financial speculations in currencies, securities, or  
246 commodities that will interfere with a planned transaction by the governmental entity or cause  
247 substantial financial injury to the governmental entity or state economy;

248 (4) records, the disclosure of which could cause commercial injury to, or confer a  
249 competitive advantage upon a potential or actual competitor of, a commercial project entity as  
250 defined in Subsection 11-13-103(4);

251 (5) test questions and answers to be used in future license, certification, registration,  
252 employment, or academic examinations;

253 (6) records, the disclosure of which would impair governmental procurement  
254 proceedings or give an unfair advantage to any person proposing to enter into a contract or  
255 agreement with a governmental entity, except, subject to Subsections (1) and (2), that this  
256 Subsection (6) does not restrict the right of a person to have access to, after the contract or  
257 grant has been awarded and signed by all parties, a bid, proposal, application, or other  
258 information submitted to or by a governmental entity in response to:

259 (a) an invitation for bids;

260 (b) a request for proposals;

261 (c) a request for quotes;

262 (d) a grant; or

263 (e) other similar document;

264 (7) information submitted to or by a governmental entity in response to a request for  
265 information, except, subject to Subsections (1) and (2), that this Subsection (7) does not restrict  
266 the right of a person to have access to the information, after:

267 (a) a contract directly relating to the subject of the request for information has been  
268 awarded and signed by all parties; or

269 (b) (i) a final determination is made not to enter into a contract that relates to the  
270 subject of the request for information; and

271 (ii) at least two years have passed after the day on which the request for information is  
272 issued;

273 (8) records that would identify real property or the appraisal or estimated value of real

274 or personal property, including intellectual property, under consideration for public acquisition  
275 before any rights to the property are acquired unless:

276 (a) public interest in obtaining access to the information is greater than or equal to the  
277 governmental entity's need to acquire the property on the best terms possible;

278 (b) the information has already been disclosed to persons not employed by or under a  
279 duty of confidentiality to the entity;

280 (c) in the case of records that would identify property, potential sellers of the described  
281 property have already learned of the governmental entity's plans to acquire the property;

282 (d) in the case of records that would identify the appraisal or estimated value of  
283 property, the potential sellers have already learned of the governmental entity's estimated value  
284 of the property; or

285 (e) the property under consideration for public acquisition is a single family residence  
286 and the governmental entity seeking to acquire the property has initiated negotiations to acquire  
287 the property as required under Section [78B-6-505](#);

288 (9) records prepared in contemplation of sale, exchange, lease, rental, or other  
289 compensated transaction of real or personal property including intellectual property, which, if  
290 disclosed prior to completion of the transaction, would reveal the appraisal or estimated value  
291 of the subject property, unless:

292 (a) the public interest in access is greater than or equal to the interests in restricting  
293 access, including the governmental entity's interest in maximizing the financial benefit of the  
294 transaction; or

295 (b) when prepared by or on behalf of a governmental entity, appraisals or estimates of  
296 the value of the subject property have already been disclosed to persons not employed by or  
297 under a duty of confidentiality to the entity;

298 (10) records created or maintained for civil, criminal, or administrative enforcement  
299 purposes or audit purposes, or for discipline, licensing, certification, or registration purposes, if  
300 release of the records:

301 (a) reasonably could be expected to interfere with investigations undertaken for  
302 enforcement, discipline, licensing, certification, or registration purposes;

303 (b) reasonably could be expected to interfere with audits, disciplinary, or enforcement  
304 proceedings;

305 (c) would create a danger of depriving a person of a right to a fair trial or impartial  
306 hearing;

307 (d) reasonably could be expected to disclose the identity of a source who is not  
308 generally known outside of government and, in the case of a record compiled in the course of  
309 an investigation, disclose information furnished by a source not generally known outside of  
310 government if disclosure would compromise the source; or

311 (e) reasonably could be expected to disclose investigative or audit techniques,  
312 procedures, policies, or orders not generally known outside of government if disclosure would  
313 interfere with enforcement or audit efforts;

314 (11) records the disclosure of which would jeopardize the life or safety of an  
315 individual;

316 (12) records the disclosure of which would jeopardize the security of governmental  
317 property, governmental programs, or governmental recordkeeping systems from damage, theft,  
318 or other appropriation or use contrary to law or public policy;

319 (13) records that, if disclosed, would jeopardize the security or safety of a correctional  
320 facility, or records relating to incarceration, treatment, probation, or parole, that would interfere  
321 with the control and supervision of an offender's incarceration, treatment, probation, or parole;

322 (14) records that, if disclosed, would reveal recommendations made to the Board of  
323 Pardons and Parole by an employee of or contractor for the Department of Corrections, the  
324 Board of Pardons and Parole, or the Department of Human Services that are based on the  
325 employee's or contractor's supervision, diagnosis, or treatment of any person within the board's  
326 jurisdiction;

327 (15) records and audit workpapers that identify audit, collection, and operational  
328 procedures and methods used by the State Tax Commission, if disclosure would interfere with  
329 audits or collections;

330 (16) records of a governmental audit agency relating to an ongoing or planned audit  
331 until the final audit is released;

332 (17) records that are subject to the attorney client privilege;

333 (18) records prepared for or by an attorney, consultant, surety, indemnitor, insurer,  
334 employee, or agent of a governmental entity for, or in anticipation of, litigation or a judicial,  
335 quasi-judicial, or administrative proceeding;

336 (19) (a) (i) personal files of a state legislator, including personal correspondence to or  
337 from a member of the Legislature; and

338 (ii) notwithstanding Subsection (19)(a)(i), correspondence that gives notice of  
339 legislative action or policy may not be classified as protected under this section; and

340 (b) (i) an internal communication that is part of the deliberative process in connection  
341 with the preparation of legislation between:

342 (A) members of a legislative body;

343 (B) a member of a legislative body and a member of the legislative body's staff; or

344 (C) members of a legislative body's staff; and

345 (ii) notwithstanding Subsection (19)(b)(i), a communication that gives notice of  
346 legislative action or policy may not be classified as protected under this section;

347 (20) (a) records in the custody or control of the Office of Legislative Research and  
348 General Counsel, that, if disclosed, would reveal a particular legislator's contemplated  
349 legislation or contemplated course of action before the legislator has elected to support the  
350 legislation or course of action, or made the legislation or course of action public; and

351 (b) notwithstanding Subsection (20)(a), the form to request legislation submitted to the  
352 Office of Legislative Research and General Counsel is a public document unless a legislator  
353 asks that the records requesting the legislation be maintained as protected records until such  
354 time as the legislator elects to make the legislation or course of action public;

355 (21) research requests from legislators to the Office of Legislative Research and  
356 General Counsel or the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst and research findings prepared  
357 in response to these requests;

358 (22) drafts, unless otherwise classified as public;

359 (23) records concerning a governmental entity's strategy about:

360 (a) collective bargaining; or

361 (b) imminent or pending litigation;

362 (24) records of investigations of loss occurrences and analyses of loss occurrences that  
363 may be covered by the Risk Management Fund, the Employers' Reinsurance Fund, the  
364 Uninsured Employers' Fund, or similar divisions in other governmental entities;

365 (25) records, other than personnel evaluations, that contain a personal recommendation  
366 concerning an individual if disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of

367 personal privacy, or disclosure is not in the public interest;

368 (26) records that reveal the location of historic, prehistoric, paleontological, or  
369 biological resources that if known would jeopardize the security of those resources or of  
370 valuable historic, scientific, educational, or cultural information;

371 (27) records of independent state agencies if the disclosure of the records would  
372 conflict with the fiduciary obligations of the agency;

373 (28) records of an institution within the state system of higher education defined in  
374 Section 53B-1-102 regarding tenure evaluations, appointments, applications for admissions,  
375 retention decisions, and promotions, which could be properly discussed in a meeting closed in  
376 accordance with Title 52, Chapter 4, Open and Public Meetings Act, provided that records of  
377 the final decisions about tenure, appointments, retention, promotions, or those students  
378 admitted, may not be classified as protected under this section;

379 (29) records of the governor's office, including budget recommendations, legislative  
380 proposals, and policy statements, that if disclosed would reveal the governor's contemplated  
381 policies or contemplated courses of action before the governor has implemented or rejected  
382 those policies or courses of action or made them public;

383 (30) records of the Office of the Legislative Fiscal Analyst relating to budget analysis,  
384 revenue estimates, and fiscal notes of proposed legislation before issuance of the final  
385 recommendations in these areas;

386 (31) records provided by the United States or by a government entity outside the state  
387 that are given to the governmental entity with a requirement that they be managed as protected  
388 records if the providing entity certifies that the record would not be subject to public disclosure  
389 if retained by it;

390 (32) transcripts, minutes, or reports of the closed portion of a meeting of a public body  
391 except as provided in Section 52-4-206;

392 (33) records that would reveal the contents of settlement negotiations but not including  
393 final settlements or empirical data to the extent that they are not otherwise exempt from  
394 disclosure;

395 (34) memoranda prepared by staff and used in the decision-making process by an  
396 administrative law judge, a member of the Board of Pardons and Parole, or a member of any  
397 other body charged by law with performing a quasi-judicial function;

398 (35) records that would reveal negotiations regarding assistance or incentives offered  
399 by or requested from a governmental entity for the purpose of encouraging a person to expand  
400 or locate a business in Utah, but only if disclosure would result in actual economic harm to the  
401 person or place the governmental entity at a competitive disadvantage, but this section may not  
402 be used to restrict access to a record evidencing a final contract;

403 (36) materials to which access must be limited for purposes of securing or maintaining  
404 the governmental entity's proprietary protection of intellectual property rights including patents,  
405 copyrights, and trade secrets;

406 (37) the name of a donor or a prospective donor to a governmental entity, including an  
407 institution within the state system of higher education defined in Section 53B-1-102, and other  
408 information concerning the donation that could reasonably be expected to reveal the identity of  
409 the donor, provided that:

410 (a) the donor requests anonymity in writing;

411 (b) any terms, conditions, restrictions, or privileges relating to the donation may not be  
412 classified protected by the governmental entity under this Subsection (37); and

413 (c) except for an institution within the state system of higher education defined in  
414 Section 53B-1-102, the governmental unit to which the donation is made is primarily engaged  
415 in educational, charitable, or artistic endeavors, and has no regulatory or legislative authority  
416 over the donor, a member of the donor's immediate family, or any entity owned or controlled  
417 by the donor or the donor's immediate family;

418 (38) accident reports, except as provided in Sections 41-6a-404, 41-12a-202, and  
419 73-18-13;

420 (39) a notification of workers' compensation insurance coverage described in Section  
421 34A-2-205;

422 (40) (a) the following records of an institution within the state system of higher  
423 education defined in Section 53B-1-102, which have been developed, discovered, disclosed to,  
424 or received by or on behalf of faculty, staff, employees, or students of the institution:

425 (i) unpublished lecture notes;

426 (ii) unpublished notes, data, and information:

427 (A) relating to research; and

428 (B) of:

- 429 (I) the institution within the state system of higher education defined in Section  
430 [53B-1-102](#); or
- 431 (II) a sponsor of sponsored research;
- 432 (iii) unpublished manuscripts;
- 433 (iv) creative works in process;
- 434 (v) scholarly correspondence; and
- 435 (vi) confidential information contained in research proposals;
- 436 (b) Subsection (40)(a) may not be construed to prohibit disclosure of public  
437 information required pursuant to Subsection [53B-16-302](#)(2)(a) or (b); and
- 438 (c) Subsection (40)(a) may not be construed to affect the ownership of a record;
- 439 (41) (a) records in the custody or control of the Office of Legislative Auditor General  
440 that would reveal the name of a particular legislator who requests a legislative audit prior to the  
441 date that audit is completed and made public; and
- 442 (b) notwithstanding Subsection (41)(a), a request for a legislative audit submitted to the  
443 Office of the Legislative Auditor General is a public document unless the legislator asks that  
444 the records in the custody or control of the Office of Legislative Auditor General that would  
445 reveal the name of a particular legislator who requests a legislative audit be maintained as  
446 protected records until the audit is completed and made public;
- 447 (42) records that provide detail as to the location of an explosive, including a map or  
448 other document that indicates the location of:
- 449 (a) a production facility; or
- 450 (b) a magazine;
- 451 (43) information:
- 452 (a) contained in the statewide database of the Division of Aging and Adult Services  
453 created by Section [62A-3-311.1](#); or
- 454 (b) received or maintained in relation to the Identity Theft Reporting Information  
455 System (IRIS) established under Section [67-5-22](#);
- 456 (44) information contained in the Management Information System and Licensing  
457 Information System described in Title 62A, Chapter 4a, Child and Family Services;
- 458 (45) information regarding National Guard operations or activities in support of the  
459 National Guard's federal mission;

460 (46) records provided by any pawn or secondhand business to a law enforcement  
461 agency or to the central database in compliance with Title 13, Chapter 32a, Pawnshop and  
462 Secondhand Merchandise Transaction Information Act;

463 (47) information regarding food security, risk, and vulnerability assessments performed  
464 by the Department of Agriculture and Food;

465 (48) except to the extent that the record is exempt from this chapter pursuant to Section  
466 63G-2-106, records related to an emergency plan or program, a copy of which is provided to or  
467 prepared or maintained by the Division of Emergency Management, and the disclosure of  
468 which would jeopardize:

469 (a) the safety of the general public; or

470 (b) the security of:

471 (i) governmental property;

472 (ii) governmental programs; or

473 (iii) the property of a private person who provides the Division of Emergency  
474 Management information;

475 (49) records of the Department of Agriculture and Food that provides for the  
476 identification, tracing, or control of livestock diseases, including any program established under  
477 Title 4, Chapter 24, Utah Livestock Brand and Anti-theft Act or Title 4, Chapter 31, Control of  
478 Animal Disease;

479 (50) as provided in Section 26-39-501:

480 (a) information or records held by the Department of Health related to a complaint  
481 regarding a child care program or residential child care which the department is unable to  
482 substantiate; and

483 (b) information or records related to a complaint received by the Department of Health  
484 from an anonymous complainant regarding a child care program or residential child care;

485 (51) unless otherwise classified as public under Section 63G-2-301 and except as  
486 provided under Section 41-1a-116, an individual's home address, home telephone number, or  
487 personal mobile phone number, if:

488 (a) the individual is required to provide the information in order to comply with a law,  
489 ordinance, rule, or order of a government entity; and

490 (b) the subject of the record has a reasonable expectation that this information will be



491 kept confidential due to:

492 (i) the nature of the law, ordinance, rule, or order; and

493 (ii) the individual complying with the law, ordinance, rule, or order;

494 (52) the name, home address, work addresses, and telephone numbers of an individual

495 that is engaged in, or that provides goods or services for, medical or scientific research that is:

496 (a) conducted within the state system of higher education, as defined in Section

497 [53B-1-102](#); and

498 (b) conducted using animals;

499 (53) an initial proposal under Title 63M, Chapter 1, Part 26, Government Procurement  
500 Private Proposal Program, to the extent not made public by rules made under that chapter;

501 (54) in accordance with Section [78A-12-203](#), any record of the Judicial Performance

502 Evaluation Commission concerning an individual commissioner's vote on whether or not to

503 recommend that the voters retain a judge;

504 (55) information collected and a report prepared by the Judicial Performance

505 Evaluation Commission concerning a judge, unless Section [20A-7-702](#) or Title 78A, Chapter

506 12, Judicial Performance Evaluation Commission Act, requires disclosure of, or makes public,

507 the information or report;

508 (56) records contained in the Management Information System created in Section

509 [62A-4a-1003](#);

510 (57) records provided or received by the Public Lands Policy Coordinating Office in

511 furtherance of any contract or other agreement made in accordance with Section [63J-4-603](#);

512 (58) information requested by and provided to the Utah State 911 Committee under

513 Section [53-10-602](#);

514 [~~(59) recorded Children's Justice Center investigative interviews, both video and audio,~~

515 ~~the release of which are governed by Section [77-37-4](#);~~]

516 [(~~60~~)] (59) in accordance with Section [73-10-33](#):

517 (a) a management plan for a water conveyance facility in the possession of the Division  
518 of Water Resources or the Board of Water Resources; or

519 (b) an outline of an emergency response plan in possession of the state or a county or  
520 municipality;

521 [(~~61~~)] (60) the following records in the custody or control of the Office of Inspector

522 General of Medicaid Services, created in Section [63A-13-201](#):

523 (a) records that would disclose information relating to allegations of personal  
524 misconduct, gross mismanagement, or illegal activity of a person if the information or  
525 allegation cannot be corroborated by the Office of Inspector General of Medicaid Services  
526 through other documents or evidence, and the records relating to the allegation are not relied  
527 upon by the Office of Inspector General of Medicaid Services in preparing a final investigation  
528 report or final audit report;

529 (b) records and audit workpapers to the extent they would disclose the identity of a  
530 person who, during the course of an investigation or audit, communicated the existence of any  
531 Medicaid fraud, waste, or abuse, or a violation or suspected violation of a law, rule, or  
532 regulation adopted under the laws of this state, a political subdivision of the state, or any  
533 recognized entity of the United States, if the information was disclosed on the condition that  
534 the identity of the person be protected;

535 (c) before the time that an investigation or audit is completed and the final  
536 investigation or final audit report is released, records or drafts circulated to a person who is not  
537 an employee or head of a governmental entity for the person's response or information;

538 (d) records that would disclose an outline or part of any investigation, audit survey  
539 plan, or audit program; or

540 (e) requests for an investigation or audit, if disclosure would risk circumvention of an  
541 investigation or audit;

542 [~~(62)~~] [\(61\)](#) records that reveal methods used by the Office of Inspector General of  
543 Medicaid Services, the fraud unit, or the Department of Health, to discover Medicaid fraud,  
544 waste, or abuse;

545 [~~(63)~~] [\(62\)](#) information provided to the Department of Health or the Division of  
546 Occupational and Professional Licensing under Subsection [58-68-304\(3\)](#) or (4);

547 [~~(64)~~] [\(63\)](#) a record described in Section [63G-12-210](#); and

548 [~~(65)~~] [\(64\)](#) captured plate data that is obtained through an automatic license plate  
549 reader system used by a governmental entity as authorized in Section [41-6a-2003](#).

550 Section 3. Section [77-37-4](#) is amended to read:

551 **[77-37-4](#). Additional rights -- Children.**

552 In addition to all rights afforded to victims and witnesses under this chapter, child

553 victims and witnesses shall be afforded these rights:

554 (1) Children have the right to protection from physical and emotional abuse during  
555 their involvement with the criminal justice process.

556 (2) Children are not responsible for inappropriate behavior adults commit against them  
557 and have the right not to be questioned, in any manner, nor to have allegations made, implying  
558 this responsibility. Those who interview children have the responsibility to consider the  
559 interests of the child in this regard.

560 (3) Child victims and witnesses have the right to have interviews relating to a criminal  
561 prosecution kept to a minimum. All agencies shall coordinate interviews and ensure that they  
562 are conducted by persons sensitive to the needs of children.

563 (4) Child victims have the right to be informed of available community resources that  
564 might assist them and how to gain access to those resources. Law enforcement and prosecutors  
565 have the duty to ensure that child victims are informed of community resources, including  
566 counseling prior to the court proceeding, and have those services available throughout the  
567 criminal justice process.

568 (5) (a) Child victims have the right, once an investigation has been initiated by law  
569 enforcement or the Division of Child and Family Services, to ~~[have]~~ keep confidential their  
570 ~~[investigative]~~ interviews that are conducted at a Children's Justice Center, including ~~[both]~~  
571 video and audio recordings, ~~[protected]~~ and transcripts of those recordings. Except as provided  
572 in Subsection ~~[(5)(b) and (c)]~~ (6), recordings and transcripts of interviews may not be  
573 distributed, released, or displayed to anyone without a court order.

574 ~~[(a) The]~~ (b) A court order described in Subsection (5)(a):

575 (i) shall describe with particularity to whom the recording or transcript of the interview  
576 may be released and prohibit further distribution or viewing by anyone not named in the order;  
577 and

578 (ii) may impose restrictions on access to the materials considered reasonable to protect  
579 the privacy of the child victim.

580 (c) A parent or guardian of the child victim may petition a juvenile or district court for  
581 an order allowing the parent or guardian to view a recording or transcript upon a finding of  
582 good cause. The order shall designate the agency that is required to display the recording or  
583 transcript to the parent or guardian and shall prohibit viewing by anyone not named in the

584 order.

585 ~~[(b)]~~ (d) Following the conclusion of any legal proceedings in which the recordings or  
586 transcripts are used, the court shall order the recordings and transcripts in the court's file sealed  
587 and preserved.

588 ~~[(c) (i) The Division of Child and Family Services or law enforcement may distribute a  
589 copy of the interview:]~~

590 ~~[(A) to the prosecutor's office;]~~

591 ~~[(B) the Attorney General's child protection division;]~~

592 ~~[(C) to another law enforcement agency; and]~~

593 ~~[(D) to the attorney for the child who is the subject of the interview.]~~

594 ~~[(ii) Any further distribution, release, or display is subject to this Subsection (5).]~~

595 ~~[(d) In a criminal case, the prosecutor may distribute a copy of the interview to the  
596 attorney for the defendant or a pro se defendant pursuant to a valid request for discovery. The  
597 attorney for the defendant in a criminal case may permit the defendant to view the interview,  
598 but may not distribute or release the interview to their client. Any further distribution, release,  
599 or display is subject to this Subsection (5).]~~

600 ~~[(e) Pro se defendants shall be advised by the court that an interview received as part of  
601 discovery is confidential and may not be distributed, released, or displayed without prior  
602 authorization from the court. A court's failure to give this notice may not be used as a defense  
603 to prosecution for a violation of the disclosure rule.]~~

604 ~~[(f) Multidisciplinary teams or other state agencies that provide services to children and  
605 families may view interviews of children, and families for whom they are providing services,  
606 but may not receive copies.]~~

607 ~~[(g) Violation of this section is:]~~

608 ~~[(i) punishable by contempt if distribution, release, or display occurs before the  
609 resolution of the case and the court still has jurisdiction over the defendant; or]~~

610 ~~[(ii) a class B misdemeanor if the case has been resolved and the court no longer has  
611 jurisdiction over the defendant.]~~

612 (6) (a) The following offices and their designated employees may distribute and receive  
613 a recording or transcript to and from one another without a court order:

614 (i) the Division of Child and Family Services;

615 (ii) administrative law judges employed by the Department of Human Services;

616 (iii) Department of Human Services investigators investigating the Division of Child

617 and Family Services or investigators authorized to investigate under Section [62A-4a-202.6](#);

618 (iv) an office of the city attorney, county attorney, district attorney, or attorney general;

619 (v) a law enforcement agency;

620 (vi) a Children's Justice Center established under Section [67-5b-102](#); or

621 (vii) the attorney for the child who is the subject of the interview.

622 (b) In a criminal case or in a juvenile court in which the state is a party:

623 (i) the parties may display and enter into evidence a recording or transcript in the  
624 course of a prosecution;

625 (ii) the state's attorney may distribute a recording or transcript to the attorney for the  
626 defendant, pro se defendant, respondent, or pro se respondent pursuant to a valid request for  
627 discovery;

628 (iii) the attorney for the defendant or respondent may do one or both of the following:

629 (A) release the recording or transcript to an expert retained by the attorney for the  
630 defendant or respondent if the expert agrees in writing that the expert will not distribute,  
631 release, or display the recording or transcript to anyone without prior authorization from the  
632 court; or

633 (B) permit the defendant or respondent to view the recording or transcript, but may not  
634 distribute or release the recording or transcript to the defendant or respondent; and

635 (iv) the court shall advise a pro se defendant or respondent that a recording or  
636 transcript received as part of discovery is confidential and may not be distributed, released, or  
637 displayed without prior authorization from the court.

638 (c) A court's failure to advise a pro se defendant or respondent that a recording or  
639 transcript received as part of discovery is confidential and may not be used as a defense to  
640 prosecution for a violation of the disclosure rule.

641 (d) In an administrative case, pursuant to a written request, the Division of Child and  
642 Family Services may display, but may not distribute or release, a recording or transcript to the  
643 respondent or to the respondent's designated representative.

643a **Ŝ→ (e) (i) Within two business days of a request from a parent or guardian of a child victim,**  
643b **an investigative agency shall allow the parent or guardian to view a recording after the**  
643c **conclusion of an interview, unless:**

643d **(A) the suspect is a parent or guardian of the child victim;**

643e **(B) the suspect resides in the home with the child victim; or**

643f (C) the investigative agency determines that allowing the parent or guardian to  
643g view the recording would likely compromise or impede the investigation.

643h (ii) If the investigative agency determines that allowing the parent or guardian  
643i to view the recording would likely compromise or impede the investigation, the parent or  
643j guardian may petition a juvenile or district court for an expedited hearing on whether there is  
643k good cause for the court to enter an order allowing the parent or guardian to view the  
643l recording in accordance with Subsection (5)(c).

643m (iii) A Children's Justice Center shall coordinate the viewing of the recording  
643n described in this Subsection (6)(e). ←Ŝ

644 Ŝ→ [(e)] (f) ←Ŝ A multidisciplinary team assembled by a Children's Justice Center or an  
645 interdisciplinary team assembled by the Division of Child and Family Services may view a

646 recording or transcript, but may not receive a recording or transcript.

647 Ŝ→ ~~(f)~~ (g) ←Ŝ A Children's Justice Center:

648 (i) may distribute or display a recording or transcript to an authorized trainer or  
649 evaluator for purposes of training or evaluation; and

650 (ii) may display, but may not distribute, a recording or transcript to an authorized  
651 trainee.

652 Ŝ→ ~~(g)~~ (h) ←Ŝ An authorized trainer or instructor may display a recording or transcript  
652a according

653 to the terms of the authorized trainer's or instructor's contract with the Children's Justice Center  
654 or according to the authorized trainer's or instructor's scope of employment.

655 Ŝ→ ~~(h)~~ (i) ←Ŝ (i) In an investigation under Section [53A-6-306](#), in which a child victim  
655a who is the

656 subject of the recording or transcript has alleged criminal conduct against an educator, a law  
657 enforcement agency may distribute or release the recording or transcript to an investigator  
658 operating under UPPAC authorization, upon the investigator's written request.

659 (ii) If the respondent in a case investigated under Section [53A-6-306](#) requests a hearing  
660 authorized under that section, the investigator operating under UPPAC authorization may  
661 display, release, or distribute the recording or transcript to the prosecutor operating under  
662 UPPAC authorization or to an expert retained by an investigator.

663 (iii) Upon request for a hearing under Section [53A-6-306](#), a prosecutor operating under  
664 UPPAC authorization may display the recording or transcript to a pro se respondent, to an  
665 attorney retained by the respondent, or to an expert retained by the respondent.

666 (iv) The parties to a hearing authorized under Section [53A-6-306](#) may display and enter  
667 into evidence a recording or transcript in the course of a prosecution.

668 (7) Except as otherwise provided in this section, it is a class B misdemeanor for any  
669 individual to distribute, release, or display any recording or transcript of an interview of a child  
670 victim conducted at a Children's Justice Center.

671 Section 4. Section **78A-6-317** is amended to read:

672 **78A-6-317. All proceedings -- Persons entitled to be present.**

673 (1) A child who is the subject of a juvenile court hearing, any person entitled to notice  
674 pursuant to Section [78A-6-306](#) or [78A-6-310](#), preadoptive parents, foster parents, and any  
675 relative providing care for the child, are:

676 (a) entitled to notice of, and to be present at, each hearing and proceeding held under

677 this part, including administrative reviews; and

678 (b) have a right to be heard at each hearing and proceeding described in Subsection  
679 (1)(a).

680 (2) A child shall be represented at each hearing by the guardian ad litem appointed to  
681 the child's case by the court. The child has a right to be present at each hearing, subject to the  
682 discretion of the guardian ad litem or the court regarding any possible detriment to the child.

683 (3) (a) The parent or guardian of a child who is the subject of a petition under this part  
684 has the right to be represented by counsel, and to present evidence, at each hearing.

685 (b) When it appears to the court that a parent or guardian of the child desires counsel  
686 but is financially unable to afford and cannot for that reason employ counsel, and the child has  
687 been placed in out-of-home care, or the petitioner is recommending that the child be placed in  
688 out-of-home care, the court shall appoint counsel.

689 (4) In every abuse, neglect, or dependency proceeding under this chapter, the court  
690 shall order that the child be represented by a guardian ad litem, in accordance with Section  
691 [78A-6-902](#). The guardian ad litem shall represent the best interest of the child, in accordance  
692 with the requirements of that section, at the shelter hearing and at all subsequent court and  
693 administrative proceedings, including any proceeding for termination of parental rights in  
694 accordance with Part 5, Termination of Parental Rights Act.

695 (5) (a) Except as provided in Subsection (5)(b), and notwithstanding any other  
696 provision of law:

697 (i) counsel for all parties to the action shall be given access to all records, maintained  
698 by the division or any other state or local public agency, that are relevant to the abuse, neglect,  
699 or dependency proceeding under this chapter; and

700 (ii) if the natural parent of a child is not represented by counsel, the natural parent shall  
701 have access to the records described in Subsection (5)(a)(i).

702 (b) The disclosures described in Subsection (5)(a) are not required in the following  
703 circumstances:

704 (i) subject to Subsection (5)(c), the division or other state or local public agency did not  
705 originally create the record being requested;

706 (ii) disclosure of the record would jeopardize the life or physical safety of a child who  
707 has been a victim of abuse or neglect, or any person who provided substitute care for the child;



708 (iii) disclosure of the record would jeopardize the anonymity of the person or persons  
709 making the initial report of abuse or neglect or any others involved in the subsequent  
710 investigation;

711 (iv) disclosure of the record would jeopardize the life or physical safety of a person  
712 who has been a victim of domestic violence;

713 (v) the record is a report maintained in the Management Information System, for which  
714 a finding of unsubstantiated, unsupported, or without merit has been made, unless the person  
715 requesting the information is the alleged perpetrator in the report or counsel for the alleged  
716 perpetrator in the report; or

717 (vi) the record is a Children's Justice Center [~~investigative~~] interview, including a  
718 video or audio recording, and a transcript of the recording, the release of which is governed by  
719 Section [77-37-4](#).

720 (c) If a disclosure is denied under Subsection (5)(b)(i), the division shall inform the  
721 person making the request of the following:

722 (i) the existence of all records in the possession of the division or any other state or  
723 local public agency;

724 (ii) the name and address of the person or agency that originally created the record; and

725 (iii) that the person must seek access to the record from the person or agency that  
726 originally created the record.

727 Section 5. **Effective date.**

728 If approved by two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, this bill takes effect  
729 upon approval by the governor, or the day following the constitutional time limit of Utah  
730 Constitution, Article VII, Section 8, without the governor's signature, or in the case of a veto,  
731 the date of veto override.