



DEPARTMENT OF
**Workforce
Services**

2023 Legislative Changes - DWS

HB116 – Intergenerational Poverty Solution

- Provides up to a \$300 my529 state match for IGP identified individuals

HB130 – Adoption Tax Credit

- Nonrefundable and refundable tax credit for those adopting that did not receive assistance during the taxable year

SB19 – Medicaid Dental Waiver Amendments

- Expanded dental coverage to all non-eligible adults

SB133 – Modification to Medicaid Coverage

- Expanded Family Planning Services to 185% FPL and extended postpartum Medicaid to 12 months

SB217 – Children’s Health Coverage Amendments

- Created the state CHIP program for normally ineligible children, enrollment cap

SB240 – First-Time Home Buyer Assistance Program

- Utah Housing Corporation program to help offset costs for first-time homebuyers



2024 Legislative Changes - DWS

HB100 – Workforce Development Funding Amendments

- Replaces the Special Administrative Expense Account (restricted) with the Workforce Initiatives Fund (special revenue)

HB501 – Health Amendments

- Subject to approval, Medicaid waiver to offer a limited benefit to a qualified inmate up to 90 days before being released from the correctional facility (DSPD list and Pregnant failed)

HB572 – State Treasurer Investment Amendments

- Creates the Utah Homes Investment Program, directs State Treasurer to deposit \$300M (of the \$30B) into the program (35,000 starter homes by 2028)
 - Low interest loans for developers building affordable homes
 - 60% of total units are attainable homes
 - Deed restricted and owner occupied (5 years)
 - Notify potential buyers about the First-Time Homebuyer Assistance Program

SB168 – Affordable Building Amendments

- Requires cities to allow modular home construction under new statewide standards

HCR9 – CR Celebrating Utah's History of Welcoming Refugees

- Concurrent Resolution celebrating Utah's rich history as a welcoming state for individuals fleeing persecution



2024 Legislative Session - DWS

HB349 – Personal Identifying Information in Government Records

- Prohibits agencies from using personal data for a purpose other than the purpose it was submitted

HB463 – Medicaid Funding Amendments

- Defines and established a Medicaid shortfall, defines a waterfall approach to cut costs until the shortfall is resolved (suspend hiring, suspend salary increases, suspend provider rate increases, etc...)

SB274 – Administrative Law Judge Amendments

- Originally moved all Administrative Law Judges to the Attorney General's Office, changed to a study, then vetoed by the Governor



2024 Legislative Session - DWS

HB396 – Workplace Discrimination Amendments

- Prohibits an employer from compelling an employee to communicate or otherwise act in a manner that the employee believes would burden or offend the employee's sincerely held religious belief

HB460 – Government Employee Conscience Protection

- Requires a governmental entity to grant an employee's request to be relieved from performing a certain task if performing the task would conflict with the employee's sincerely held religious belief or conscience – hardship clause

SB150 – Exercise of Religion Amendments

- Prevents a government entity from substantially burdening a person's free exercise of religion – burden clause



SFY2025 Funding- DWS

Homeless Services Funding

- \$25,000,000 Low Barrier Shelter (one-time)
- \$11,800,000 Homeless Services System Support (one-time)
- \$10,000,000 Homeless Services System Support (ongoing)
- \$2,500,000 Shelter Cities Mitigation Funds (ongoing)

Additional DWS Funding

- \$3,000,000 Law Enforcement First Time Homebuyers (one-time)
- \$1,110,400 SNAP Summer EBT (one-time)

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