

JURY DUTY AMENDMENTS

2015 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Craig Hall

Senate Sponsor: Aaron Osmond

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends provisions related to the Jury and Witness Act to address jury service requirements for specific counties.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

▶ exempts counties of the fourth, fifth, and sixth class and counties of the third class with populations up to 75,000 from certain jury service requirements.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

78B-1-110, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2013, Chapter 202

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

Section 1. Section **78B-1-110** is amended to read:

78B-1-110. Limitations on jury service.

(1) In any two-year period, a person may not:

~~(a)~~ (a) be required to serve on more than one grand jury;

~~(b)~~ (b) be required to serve as both a grand and trial juror;

~~(c)~~ (c) be required to attend court for prospective jury service as a trial juror more

30 than one court day, except if necessary to complete service in a particular case; or

31 ~~[(4)]~~ (d) if summoned for prospective jury service and the summons is complied with
32 as directed, be selected for the qualified jury list more than once.

33 (2) (a) Subsection (1)(d) does not apply to counties of the fourth, fifth, and sixth class
34 and counties of the third class with populations up to 75,000.

35 (b) (i) All population figures used for this section shall be derived from the most recent
36 official census or census estimate of the United States Census Bureau.

37 (ii) If population estimates are not available from the United States Census Bureau,
38 population figures shall be derived from the estimate of the Utah Population Estimates
39 Committee.