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THEFT BY EXTORTION AMENDMENTS	
	2022 GENERAL SESSION
	STATE OF UTAH
	Chief Sponsor: Nelson T. Abbott
	Senate Sponsor: Kirk A. Cullimore
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]	LONG TITLE
	General Description:
	This bill creates a civil cause of action for the offense of theft by extortion.
]	Highlighted Provisions:
	This bill:
	 creates a civil cause of action for the offense of theft by extortion; and
	 makes technical and conforming changes.
Ι	Money Appropriated in this Bill:
	None
(Other Special Clauses:
	None
1	Utah Code Sections Affected:
1	AMENDS:
	76-6-406, as enacted by Laws of Utah 1973, Chapter 196
Ì	Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:
	Section 1. Section 76-6-406 is amended to read:
	76-6-406. Theft by extortion.
	(1) [A person] An actor is guilty of theft if [he] the actor obtains or exercises control
(over the property of another <u>person</u> by extortion and with a purpose to deprive [him thereof]
<u>t</u>	he person of the person's property.
	(2) As used in this section, extortion occurs when [a person] an actor threatens to:
	(a) [Cause] cause physical harm in the future to the person threatened or to any other

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30	person or to property at any time; [or]
31	(b) [Subject] subject the person threatened or any other person to physical confinement
32	or restraint; [or]
33	(c) [Engage] engage in other conduct constituting a crime; [or]
34	(d) [Accuse] accuse any person of a crime or expose [him] any person to hatred,
35	contempt, or ridicule; [or]
36	(e) [Reveal] reveal any information sought to be concealed by the person threatened;
37	[or]
38	(f) [Testify] testify or provide information or withhold testimony or information with
39	respect to [another's] a person's legal claim or defense; [or]
40	(g) [Take] take action as an official against anyone or anything, or withhold official
41	action, or cause such action or withholding; [or]
42	(h) [Bring] bring about or continue a strike, boycott, or other similar collective action
43	to obtain property [which] that is not demanded or received for the benefit of the group [which]
44	that the actor purports to represent; or
45	(i) [Do] <u>do</u> any other act which would not in itself substantially benefit [him] <u>the actor</u>
46	but which would harm substantially any other person with respect to that person's health,
47	safety, business, calling, career, financial condition, reputation, or personal relationships.
48	(3) (a) A person who is adversely impacted by the conduct prohibited in Subsection (1)
49	may bring a civil action for equitable relief and damages.
50	(b) In accordance with Section 78B-2-305, a person who brings an action under
51	Subsection (3)(a) shall commence the action within three years after the day on which the cause
52	of action arises.