

PUBLIC COLD BATH REQUIREMENTS

2024 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Curtis S. Bramble

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LONG TITLE**General Description:**

This bill addresses the regulation of public cold baths.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- defines a public cold bath; and
- prohibits the Department of Health and Human Services from regulating public cold baths.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

26B-7-122, Utah Code Annotated 1953

*Be it enacted by the Legislature of the state of Utah:*Section 1. Section **26B-7-122** is enacted to read:**26B-7-122. Rules for public cold baths.**(1) As used in this section, "public cold bath" means a tub or tank that:(a) is used by:

(i) the general public, regardless of whether there is a charge or payment for facility use; and

(ii) one bather at a time; and

(b) contains chilled water:

(i) maintained at a temperature lower than 70 degrees Fahrenheit;

(ii) of no more than 150 gallons; and

(iii) at a depth that allows the bather to maintain the bather's head above the water while in a seated position at the deepest point.

(2) The department may not adopt a rule that restricts, limits, or imposes requirements on the operation of a public cold bath.

Section 2. Effective date.

This bill takes effect on May 1, 2024.