

HUMAN TRAFFICKING PREVENTION PROGRAM

2023 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Ryan D. Wilcox

Senate Sponsor: _____

LONG TITLE**General Description:**

This bill creates a human trafficking educational program in an institution of higher education.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- directs each institution of higher education to contract with a non-profit organization to provide a human trafficking educational program to first year students;
- describes the required components of the program; and
- requires the institution of higher education to pay the cost of the program.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

53B-16-112, Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **53B-16-112** is enacted to read:



28 **53B-16-112. Human trafficking educational program or series.**

29 (1) Beginning July 1, 2023, an institution of higher education shall offer to each
30 student in the student's first year of study an educational program regarding the prevention of
31 human trafficking and exploitation.

32 (2) An institution of higher education shall:

33 (a) contract with a non-profit organization that specializes in outreach and educational
34 programming about human trafficking and exploitation to provide the program;

35 (b) offer the program at least three times each year; and

36 (c) pay the cost of the program, including any required materials.

37 (3) As part of the program, the contracted non-profit organization shall include:

38 (a) consistent with state law, the definitions of human trafficking, sex trafficking, and
39 labor trafficking;

40 (b) an explanation of the grooming cycle;

41 (c) examples of trafficker behavior;

42 (d) risk factors for becoming a victim of human trafficking;

43 (e) a demonstration showing that human trafficking can happen to any individual;

44 (f) steps to protect against becoming a victim of human trafficking; and

45 (g) how to prevent and report human trafficking.