

STATE LEGISLATIVE HISTORY

OBJECTIVE	INTERNET	LEXIS	WESTLAW	NOTES
TO FIND BILLS	<p>Utah from 1997 at http://www.le.state.ut.us/</p> <p>For other states search legislature web pages usually accessible through http://lawlib.wuacc.edu/washlaw/uslaw/statelaw.html or http://www.piperinfo.com/state/states.html</p>	<p>LEGIS;XXBILL (XX = the state abbreviation) contains the text and status reports for current state bills. Use LEGIS;XXTEXT (XX = state abbreviation) to find current bills of a particular state; LEGIS;XXTRCK (XX = state abbreviation) to search current status reports of a state. Use LEGIS;STTEXT to search current and past bill texts for all states; LEGIS;TEXT## (## = last two digits of a year) to search bill texts of all states during a given year. Use LEGIS;STTRCK to search current and past status reports of all states; LEGIS;TRCK## (## = last two digits of a year) to search status reports of all states for a year. Coverage varies by jurisdiction. Check GUIDE.</p>	<p>ST-BILLS combines ST-BILLTXT (current texts of bills from all states) and ST-BILLTRK (current status reports of bills from all states). Historical bills and status reports as early as 1991 are available in BILLS-OLD (text and status reports), BILLTRK-OLD (status reports) and BILLTXT-OLD (text). Beginning retroactive coverage varies from jurisdiction to jurisdiction. Check SCOPE. To limit search to a particular state use XX-BILLS (XX = state abbreviation) for current text and status reports; use XX-BILLTXT (XX = state abbreviation) for current text; use XX-BILLTRK (XX = state abbreviation) for current status reports.</p>	<p>You may only have access to state bills online. In addition, because other legislative history is scarce, access to different versions of a bill may provide the only available evidence of legislative intent. However, depending on the state, online retroactive coverage may be significantly limited.</p>
TO FIND HEARINGS	<p>Utah committee minutes are available from 1998. Select the highlighted committee link at http://www.le.state.ut.us.</p> <p>For other states try legislature web pages usually accessible through http://lawlib.wuacc.edu/washlaw/uslaw/statelaw.html or http://www.piperinfo.com/state/states.html</p>	Not available	Not available	<p>Utah legislative standing committee minutes are summaries of committee meetings and hearings. They do not include verbatim minutes nor do they include witness testimony like Congressional hearings. However, you may find witness testimony and additional information in Utah legislative interim committee minutes.</p>
TO FIND COMMITTEE REPORTS	<p>Utah committee reports are included with committee minutes. Select the highlighted committee link at http://www.le.state.ut.us.</p> <p>For other states try legislature web pages usually accessible through http://lawlib.wuacc.edu/washlaw/uslaw/statelaw.html or http://www.piperinfo.com/state/states.html</p>	<p>Not available with the exception of CAL;CACOMM which contains California Legislative Committee summary analysis of legislation from 1991</p>	<p>Not available with the exception of CCA which contains California Legislative Committee summary analysis of legislation. CCA-OLD is the archive of CCA, available from 1991.</p>	<p>Utah legislative committee reports usually only state that a bill was approved or rejected by a committee.</p>

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TO FIND FLOOR DEBATES	Not available	Not available	Not available	Recent Utah House and Senate Journals are at http://www.le.state.ut.us . They list votes and summarize action, but do not contain debate full text.
TO FIND LEGISLATURE MEMBERS/ DIRECTORIES	Current Utah members are listed at http://www.le.state.ut.us For other states try legislature web pages usually accessible through http://lawlib.wuacc.edu/washlaw/uslaw/statelaw.html or http://www.piperinfo.com/state/states.html	<i>State Legislative Directory</i> from 1994 in LEGIS;STLEG	Current <i>State Yellowbook</i> in STATEYB ; <i>Congress and State Legislature Directory</i> in LEGIS-DIR	Check GUIDE in Lexis and SCOPE in Westlaw to confirm coverage.

