

SENATE BILL 131 (2016 GENERAL SESSION)
UTAH COLLEGE OF APPLIED TECHNOLOGY
GOVERNANCE AMENDMENTS
SUMMARY OF PROVISIONS

March 15, 2016

1. UCAT Commissioner of Technical Education:

- a. UCAT president is re-designated "Utah College of Applied Technology commissioner of technical education" (53B-2a-101(3) and throughout statute).
- b. Detailed duties are removed from statute (formerly 53B-2a-102(2)), and are assigned to the Board to be prescribed (53B-2a-102(2)(b) and (3)).
- c. Appointment of interim/acting commissioner during leave of absence requires Senate consent (53B-2a-102(1)(d)).

2. Applied Technology Colleges (53B-2a-101(1) and throughout statute): UCAT "campus" is re-designated "applied technology college", including board of directors and president.

3. UCAT Board of Trustees Membership (53B-2a-103(3) and (4)):

- a. All 15 voting members will be appointed by the governor with Senate consent.
- b. Members serve four-year terms (no change), but are now limited to two consecutive terms.
- c. Current voting members will serve until their current terms expire (2017 or 2019). Members who have already served two or more full consecutive terms by May 10, 2016, will be replaced on that date.
- d. For members representing **the eight ATCs**, the governor will select from at least two nominees presented by the ATC board of directors. (An earlier version of the bill restricted a trustee from serving simultaneously on an ATC board: this provision was removed from the final bill.)
- e. For **the other seven** voting members, the governor will appoint a representative of each of the following sectors: information technology, manufacturing, life sciences, health care, transportation, union trade/apprenticeship, non-union trade/apprenticeship. At least four of the seven must be from ATC regions, with no more than two from any ATC region.
- f. The **Board of Regents** chair will continue to appoint a Regent as a non-voting member, who is not subject to the two-term limit.
- g. The current **Board of Education** member will remain on the board until June 30, 2019.
- h. By July 1, 2019, the Board will be fully transitioned to the new structure.

4. UCAT Board of Trustees Officers (53B-2a-103(8)(b)): The board chair and vice chair are limited to two consecutive two-year terms.

5. Applied Technology College Presidents (53B-2a-107(1)): Appointment, evaluation, retention, and compensation of ATC presidents is changed from the UCAT president to the UCAT board of trustees, in cooperation with the ATC board of directors. The board of trustees is to establish a policy for appointing a president using a search process with certain statutory parameters.