

**UTAH JUDICIAL COUNCIL
STANDING COMMITTEE ON MODEL UTAH CRIMINAL JURY INSTRUCTIONS
MEETING AGENDA**

Judicial Council Room (N301), Matheson Courthouse
450 South State Street, Salt Lake City, Utah 84114
May 5, 2020 – 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

12:00	Welcome and Approval of Minutes - <i>February 5, 2020</i>		Tab 1	Judge Blanch
	Legislative Update - Tab 2A: HB0139 <i>DUI Liability Amendments (see Tab 4A below)</i> - Tab 2B: HB0213 <i>Consent Language Amendments (CR1615)</i> - Tab 2C: SB0210 <i>Body Camera Amendments</i> - Tab 2D: SB0238 <i>Battered Person Mitigation Amendments</i>		Tabs 2A-2D	Michael Drechsel
	Jury Unanimity - <i>State v. Alires, 2019 UT App 206</i>		Tab 3	Committee
	DUI and Related Traffic Instructions - Tab 4A: <i>Revisit in light of HB0139:</i> - <i>CR1003 (MB), CR1004 (MA), CR1005 (F3), and SVF1000</i> - Tab 4B: <i>Review and revise remaining instructions</i>		Tabs 4A-4B	Judge McCullagh
1:30	Adjourn			

COMMITTEE WEB PAGE: <https://www.utcourts.gov/utc/muji-criminal/>

UPCOMING MEETING SCHEDULE:

Meetings are held at the Matheson Courthouse in the Judicial Council Room (N301), on the first Wednesday of each month from 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m. (unless otherwise specifically noted):

June 3, 2020
September 2, 2020

October 7, 2020
November 4, 2020

December 2, 2020

UPCOMING ASSIGNMENTS:

1. Sandi Johnson = Burglary; Robbery
2. Judge McCullagh = DUI; Traffic
3. Karen Klucznik & Mark Fields = Murder

4. Stephen Nelson = Use of Force; Prisoner Offenses
5. Judge Jones = Wildlife Offenses

TAB 1

Minutes from February 5, 2020 meeting

NOTES:

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MEMBERS:	PRESENT	EXCUSED	GUESTS:
Judge James Blanch, <i>Chair</i>	•		None
Jennifer Andrus		•	
Mark Field	•		STAFF:
Sandi Johnson	•		Michael Drechsel
Judge Linda Jones		•	Jiro Johnson (minutes)
Karen Klucznik	•		Minhvan Brimhall (recording secretary)
Judge Brendan McCullagh		•	
Stephen Nelson		•	
Nathan Phelps	•		
Judge Michael Westfall		•	
Scott Young	•		
Elise Lockwood	•		
Debra Nelson	•		
Melinda Bowen		•	

(1) WELCOME AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Judge Blanch welcomed the committee. Ms. Johnson moved to approve the minutes and Ms. Nelson seconded. The committee unanimously approved the minutes from the January 2020 meeting.

(2) DUI AND RELATED TRAFFIC INSTRUCTIONS:

The committee briefly discussed this agenda item, but decided to wait until after the legislative session to continue consideration of instructions in this area due to pending legislation. This agenda item was therefore moved to a future agenda.

(3) STATE V. ALIRES, 2019 UT APP 206:

On December 19, 2019, the Utah Court of Appeals issued a decision in *State v. Alires*, 2019 UT App 206. The decision addressed the need for jury unanimity and the jury instructions used in the case. The committee had

discussed this case briefly at the January 2020 meeting. Ms. Klucznik indicated that the State may seek *cert* for this case before the Utah Supreme Court to resolve how unanimity should be handled for jury instructions.

Ms. Nelson and Ms. Klucznik worked together to draft possible jury instructions (having looked to other states for guidance). Ms. Nelson and Ms. Klucznik handed out their preliminary thoughts to the committee which discussed three hypothetical scenarios where the specificity required by *Alires* would be helpful:

- 1) unanimity with multiple acts are offered to support one offense and each of those acts could be charged separately;
- 2) unanimity when multiple acts are offered to support multiple offenses; and
- 3) unanimity when multiple acts or mental states support one offense and the acts/mental state could not have been charged separately.

Ms. Klucznik raised a problem with sex based crimes which are punished based on the types of touching a defendant engaged in, but “indecent liberties” is less specific and could be an alternative theory of the defendant’s guilt. Judge Blanch felt that the instructions just need to clarify that there must be unanimity with the act. Ms. Johnson indicated that with indecent liberties, and similar course of conduct crimes, multiple touches could be an indecent liberty, but the jurors could potentially not agree as to all of the touches yet still convict for indecent liberties. This type of situation could be a problem under *Alires*.

Mr. Young left the meeting at 12:55pm and the committee lost its quorum.

The committee then questioned the scope of *Alires* and whether it is only constrained to sex offenses and Ms. Klucznik identified multiple categories of crimes where *Alires* might apply. Ms. Johnson also raised concern that these jury instructions could result in prosecutors filing additional charges for all the crimes. Ms. Klucznik wanted to make sure that murder and theft were excepted because of the way the statutes are drafted. Mr. Phelps felt that we should draft general instructions or a committee note that is instructive but preferred not to try and draft instructions tied to specific crimes.

Because there was no quorum available, no action was taken on this matter at this time. Instead, the matter will be considered by the committee members and will be addressed at the next meeting.

(4) SEXUAL INTERCOURSE:

Judge Blanch turned to the definition of sexual intercourse that states:

You are instructed that any sexual penetration of the penis between the outer folds of the labia, however slight, is sufficient to constitute ‘sexual intercourse’ for purposes of the offense of rape.”

Judge Blanch was concerned with what the term “penetration” means in the context of the rape statute. Ms. Johnson made clear that this definition only applies to rape, unlawful sexual activity with a minor, and sexual conduct with a 16 or 17 year old. Judge Blanch felt he should write something up for the next committee meeting and asked Mr. Drechsel to send him the underlying materials.

Judge Jones joined the meeting at 1:30 p.m. (she had a court matter that prevented her joining sooner).

The committee adjourned at 1:40 p.m.

(5) ENTRAPMENT:

This item was not addressed at the meeting

(6) ADJOURN

The committee then concluded its business at 1:37 pm. The next meeting will be held on February 5, 2020, starting at 12:00 noon.

TAB 2A

HB0139 – DUI Liability Amendments

NOTES: HB0139 (<https://le.utah.gov/~2020/bills/static/HB0139.html>) made a number of changes that are relevant to jury instructions:

- explicitly states that DUI under Utah Code § 41-6a-502 is a strict liability offense (line 164);
- defines what is NOT “actual physical control” for purposes of driving under the influence (lines 48-56);
- makes it a criminal offense to refuse a blood chemical test after a warrant authorizing a blood draw is issued (lines 474-76) and specifies that the level of offense is a third degree felony for the same reasons a DUI would be a third degree felony (lines 477-87), but is otherwise a class B misdemeanor (line 488);
- makes a criminal refusal the equivalent of a DUI conviction for future enhancement purposes (line 122); and
- makes DUI while driving the wrong way on a divided highway a class A misdemeanor (line 177).

These statutory changes have implications for CR1003 (MB DUI), CR1004 (MA DUI), CR1005 (F3 DUI), and SVF1000 (DUI enhancements). There may also need to be new instructions drafted.

This bill is effective on July 1, 2020.

DUI LIABILITY AMENDMENTS

2020 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Steve Eliason

Senate Sponsor: Curtis S. Bramble

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill amends various provisions related to driving under the influence.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ criminalizes a person's refusal to submit to a chemical test for alcohol or drugs related to suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs in certain circumstances;

- ▶ provides penalties for a person's refusal to submit to a chemical test for alcohol or drugs related to suspicion of driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs;

- ▶ clarifies that driving under the influence is a strict liability offense;

- ▶ clarifies provisions related to driving in the wrong direction while driving under the influence;

- ▶ clarifies that the determination whether an individual is in actual physical control of a vehicle includes consideration of the totality of the circumstances, and creates a safe harbor provision related to that determination; and

- ▶ makes technical changes.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

This bill provides a special effective date.

Utah Code Sections Affected:

29 AMENDS:

- 30 **41-6a-501**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 52
- 31 **41-6a-502**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 283
- 32 **41-6a-503**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 138
- 33 **41-6a-509**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2017, Chapter 446
- 34 **41-6a-518.2**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 271
- 35 **41-6a-520**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapters 77 and 349
- 36 **41-6a-529**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapter 52
- 37 **53-3-220**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapters 121 and 133
- 38 **53-3-223**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 77
- 39 **53-3-231**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 77
- 40 **77-40-105 (Effective 05/01/20)**, as last amended by Laws of Utah 2019, Chapter 448

41 ENACTS:

42 **41-6a-521.1**, Utah Code Annotated 1953



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

45 Section 1. Section **41-6a-501** is amended to read:

46 **41-6a-501. Definitions.**

47 (1) As used in this part:

48 (a) "Actual physical control" is determined by a consideration of the totality of the
49 circumstances, but does not include a circumstance in which:

50 (i) the person is asleep inside the vehicle;

51 (ii) the person is not in the driver's seat of the vehicle;

52 (iii) the engine of the vehicle is not running;

53 (iv) the vehicle is lawfully parked; and

54 (v) under the facts presented, it is evident that the person did not drive the vehicle to
55 the location while under the influence of alcohol, a drug, or the combined influence of alcohol

56 and any drug.

57 ~~[(a)]~~ (b) "Assessment" means an in-depth clinical interview with a licensed mental
58 health therapist:

59 (i) used to determine if a person is in need of:

60 (A) substance abuse treatment that is obtained at a substance abuse program;

61 (B) an educational series; or

62 (C) a combination of Subsections ~~[(1)(a)(i)(A)]~~ (1)(b)(i)(A) and (B); and

63 (ii) that is approved by the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health in
64 accordance with Section 62A-15-105.

65 ~~[(b)]~~ (c) "Driving under the influence court" means a court that is approved as a driving
66 under the influence court by the Utah Judicial Council according to standards established by
67 the Judicial Council.

68 ~~[(c)]~~ (d) "Drug" or "drugs" means:

69 (i) a controlled substance as defined in Section 58-37-2;

70 (ii) a drug as defined in Section 58-17b-102; or

71 (iii) any substance that, when knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly taken into the
72 human body, can impair the ability of a person to safely operate a motor vehicle.

73 ~~[(d)]~~ (e) "Educational series" means an educational series obtained at a substance abuse
74 program that is approved by the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health in accordance
75 with Section 62A-15-105.

76 ~~[(e)]~~ (f) "Negligence" means simple negligence, the failure to exercise that degree of
77 care that an ordinarily reasonable and prudent person exercises under like or similar
78 circumstances.

79 ~~[(f)]~~ (g) "Novice learner driver" means an individual who:

80 (i) has applied for a Utah driver license;

81 (ii) has not previously held a driver license in this state or another state; and

82 (iii) has not completed the requirements for issuance of a Utah driver license.

83 ~~[(g)]~~ (h) "Screening" means a preliminary appraisal of a person:

84 (i) used to determine if the person is in need of:

85 (A) an assessment; or

86 (B) an educational series; and

87 (ii) that is approved by the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health in
88 accordance with Section [62A-15-105](#).

89 ~~[(h)]~~ (i) "Serious bodily injury" means bodily injury that creates or causes:

90 (i) serious permanent disfigurement;

91 (ii) protracted loss or impairment of the function of any bodily member or organ; or

92 (iii) a substantial risk of death.

93 ~~[(i)]~~ (j) "Substance abuse treatment" means treatment obtained at a substance abuse
94 program that is approved by the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health in accordance
95 with Section [62A-15-105](#).

96 ~~[(j)]~~ (k) "Substance abuse treatment program" means a state licensed substance abuse
97 program.

98 ~~[(k)]~~ (l) (i) "Vehicle" or "motor vehicle" means a vehicle or motor vehicle as defined in
99 Section [41-6a-102](#); and

100 (ii) "Vehicle" or "motor vehicle" includes:

101 (A) an off-highway vehicle as defined under Section [41-22-2](#); and

102 (B) a motorboat as defined in Section [73-18-2](#).

103 (2) As used in Section [41-6a-503](#):

104 (a) "Conviction" means any conviction arising from a separate episode of driving for a
105 violation of:

106 (i) driving under the influence under Section [41-6a-502](#);

107 (ii) (A) for an offense committed before July 1, 2008, alcohol, any drug, or a
108 combination of both-related reckless driving under:

109 (I) Section [41-6a-512](#); and

- 110 (II) Section 41-6a-528; or
- 111 (B) for an offense committed on or after July 1, 2008, impaired driving under Section
- 112 41-6a-502.5;
- 113 (iii) driving with any measurable controlled substance that is taken illegally in the body
- 114 under Section 41-6a-517;
- 115 (iv) local ordinances similar to Section 41-6a-502, alcohol, any drug, or a combination
- 116 of both-related reckless driving, or impaired driving under Section 41-6a-502.5 adopted in
- 117 compliance with Section 41-6a-510;
- 118 (v) automobile homicide under Section 76-5-207;
- 119 (vi) Subsection 58-37-8(2)(g);
- 120 (vii) a violation described in Subsections (2)(a)(i) through (vi), which judgment of
- 121 conviction is reduced under Section 76-3-402; ~~[or]~~
- 122 (viii) refusal of a chemical test under Subsection 41-6a-520(7); or
- 123 ~~[(viii)]~~ (ix) statutes or ordinances previously in effect in this state or in effect in any
- 124 other state, the United States, or any district, possession, or territory of the United States which
- 125 would constitute a violation of Section 41-6a-502 or alcohol, any drug, or a combination of
- 126 both-related reckless driving if committed in this state, including punishments administered
- 127 under 10 U.S.C. Sec. 815.
- 128 (b) A plea of guilty or no contest to a violation described in Subsections (2)(a)(i)
- 129 through ~~[(viii)]~~ (ix) which plea was held in abeyance under Title 77, Chapter 2a, Pleas in
- 130 Abeyance, prior to July 1, 2008, is the equivalent of a conviction, even if the charge has been
- 131 subsequently reduced or dismissed in accordance with the plea in abeyance agreement, for
- 132 purposes of:
- 133 (i) enhancement of penalties under:
- 134 (A) this Chapter 6a, Part 5, Driving Under the Influence and Reckless Driving; and
- 135 (B) automobile homicide under Section 76-5-207; and
- 136 (ii) expungement under Title 77, Chapter 40, Utah Expungement Act.

137 (c) An admission to a violation of Section 41-6a-502 in juvenile court is the equivalent
138 of a conviction even if the charge has been subsequently dismissed in accordance with the Utah
139 Rules of Juvenile Procedure for the purposes of enhancement of penalties under:

140 (i) this part; and

141 (ii) automobile homicide under Section 76-5-207.

142 Section 2. Section 41-6a-502 is amended to read:

143 **41-6a-502. Driving under the influence of alcohol, drugs, or a combination of**
144 **both or with specified or unsafe blood alcohol concentration -- Reporting of convictions.**

145 (1) A person may not operate or be in actual physical control of a vehicle within this
146 state if the person:

147 (a) has sufficient alcohol in the person's body that a subsequent chemical test shows
148 that the person has a blood or breath alcohol concentration of .05 grams or greater at the time
149 of the test;

150 (b) is under the influence of alcohol, any drug, or the combined influence of alcohol
151 and any drug to a degree that renders the person incapable of safely operating a vehicle; or

152 (c) has a blood or breath alcohol concentration of .05 grams or greater at the time of
153 operation or actual physical control.

154 (2) Alcohol concentration in the blood shall be based upon grams of alcohol per 100
155 milliliters of blood, and alcohol concentration in the breath shall be based upon grams of
156 alcohol per 210 liters of breath.

157 (3) A violation of this section includes a violation under a local ordinance similar to
158 this section adopted in compliance with Section 41-6a-510.

159 (4) Beginning on July 1, 2012, a court shall, monthly, send to the Division of
160 Occupational and Professional Licensing, created in Section 58-1-103, a report containing the
161 name, case number, and, if known, the date of birth of each person convicted during the
162 preceding month of a violation of this section for whom there is evidence that the person was
163 driving under the influence, in whole or in part, of a prescribed controlled substance.

- 164 (5) An offense described in this section is a strict liability offense.
- 165 (6) A guilty or no contest plea to an offense described in this section may not be held in
- 166 abeyance.

167 Section 3. Section **41-6a-503** is amended to read:

168 **41-6a-503. Penalties for driving under the influence violations.**

169 (1) A person who violates for the first or second time Section **41-6a-502** is guilty of a:

- 170 (a) class B misdemeanor; or
- 171 (b) class A misdemeanor if the person:
 - 172 (i) has also inflicted bodily injury upon another as a proximate result of having
 - 173 operated the vehicle in a negligent manner;
 - 174 (ii) had a passenger under 16 years of age in the vehicle at the time of the offense;
 - 175 (iii) was 21 years of age or older and had a passenger under 18 years of age in the
 - 176 vehicle at the time of the offense; or
 - 177 (iv) at the time of the violation of Section **41-6a-502**, also violated Section 41-6a-712
 - 178 or 41-6a-714.

179 (2) A person who violates Section **41-6a-502** is guilty of a third degree felony if:

- 180 (a) the person has also inflicted serious bodily injury upon another as a proximate
- 181 result of having operated the vehicle in a negligent manner;
- 182 (b) the person has two or more prior convictions as defined in Subsection
- 183 **41-6a-501(2)**, each of which is within 10 years of:
 - 184 (i) the current conviction under Section **41-6a-502**; or
 - 185 (ii) the commission of the offense upon which the current conviction is based; or
 - 186 (c) the conviction under Section **41-6a-502** is at any time after a conviction of:
 - 187 (i) automobile homicide under Section **76-5-207** that is committed after July 1, 2001;
 - 188 (ii) a felony violation of Section **41-6a-502** or a statute previously in effect in this state
 - 189 that would constitute a violation of Section **41-6a-502** that is committed after July 1, 2001; or
 - 190 (iii) any conviction described in Subsection (2)(c)(i) or (ii) which judgment of

191 conviction is reduced under Section 76-3-402.

192 (3) A person is guilty of a separate offense for each victim suffering bodily injury or
193 serious bodily injury as a result of the person's violation of Section 41-6a-502 or death as a
194 result of the person's violation of Section 76-5-207 whether or not the injuries arise from the
195 same episode of driving.

196 Section 4. Section 41-6a-509 is amended to read:

197 **41-6a-509. Driver license suspension or revocation for a driving under the**
198 **influence violation.**

199 (1) The Driver License Division shall, if the person is 21 years of age or older at the
200 time of arrest:

201 (a) suspend for a period of 120 days the operator's license of a person convicted for the
202 first time under Section 41-6a-502 [~~of an offense committed on or after July 1, 2009~~]; or

203 (b) revoke for a period of two years the license of a person if:

204 (i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2); and

205 (ii) the current [~~driving under the influence~~] violation under Section 41-6a-502 is
206 committed[~~:(A)~~] within a period of 10 years from the date of the prior violation[~~; and~~].

207 [~~(B) on or after July 1, 2009;~~]

208 (2) The Driver License Division shall, if the person is 19 years of age or older but
209 under 21 years of age at the time of arrest:

210 (a) suspend the person's driver license until the person is 21 years of age or for a period
211 of one year, whichever is longer, if the person is convicted for the first time of a [~~driving under~~
212 ~~the influence~~] violation under Section 41-6a-502 of an offense that was committed on or after
213 July 1, 2011;

214 (b) deny the person's application for a license or learner's permit until the person is 21
215 years of age or for a period of one year, whichever is longer, if the person:

216 (i) is convicted for the first time of a [~~driving under the influence~~] violation under
217 Section 41-6a-502 of an offense committed on or after July 1, 2011; and

- 218 (ii) has not been issued an operator license;
- 219 (c) revoke the person's driver license until the person is 21 years of age or for a period
220 of two years, whichever is longer, if:
- 221 (i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2); and
- 222 (ii) the current [~~driving under the influence~~] violation under Section 41-6a-502 is
223 committed [~~on or after July 1, 2009, and~~] within a period of 10 years from the date of the prior
224 violation; or
- 225 (d) deny the person's application for a license or learner's permit until the person is 21
226 years of age or for a period of two years, whichever is longer, if:
- 227 (i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2);
- 228 (ii) the current [~~driving under the influence~~] violation under Section 41-6a-502 is
229 committed [~~on or after July 1, 2009, and~~] within a period of 10 years from the date of the prior
230 violation; and
- 231 (iii) the person has not been issued an operator license.
- 232 (3) The Driver License Division shall, if the person is under 19 years of age at the time
233 of arrest:
- 234 (a) suspend the person's driver license until the person is 21 years of age if the person
235 is convicted for the first time of a [~~driving under the influence~~] violation under Section
236 41-6a-502 [~~of an offense that was committed on or after July 1, 2009~~];
- 237 (b) deny the person's application for a license or learner's permit until the person is 21
238 years of age if the person:
- 239 (i) is convicted for the first time of a [~~driving under the influence~~] violation under
240 Section 41-6a-502 [~~of an offense committed on or after July 1, 2009~~]; and
- 241 (ii) has not been issued an operator license;
- 242 (c) revoke the person's driver license until the person is 21 years of age if:
- 243 (i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2); and
- 244 (ii) the current [~~driving under the influence~~] violation under Section 41-6a-502 is

245 committed [~~on or after July 1, 2009, and~~] within a period of 10 years from the date of the prior
246 violation; or

247 (d) deny the person's application for a license or learner's permit until the person is 21
248 years of age if:

249 (i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2);

250 (ii) the current [~~driving under the influence~~] violation under Section 41-6a-502 is
251 committed [~~on or after July 1, 2009, and~~] within a period of 10 years from the date of the prior
252 violation; and

253 (iii) the person has not been issued an operator license.

254 (4) The Driver License Division shall suspend or revoke the license of a person as
255 ordered by the court under Subsection [~~(10)~~] (9).

256 [~~(5) The Driver License Division shall:~~]

257 [~~(a) deny, suspend, or revoke the operator's license of a person convicted under Section~~
258 41-6a-502 of an offense that was committed prior to July 1, 2009, for the denial, suspension, or
259 revocation periods in effect prior to July 1, 2009; or]

260 [~~(b) deny, suspend, or revoke the operator's license of a person for the denial,~~
261 suspension, or revocation periods in effect from July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2011, if:]

262 [(i) the person was 20 years of age or older but under 21 years of age at the time of
263 arrest; and]

264 [(ii) the conviction under Section 41-6a-502 is for an offense that was committed on or
265 after July 1, 2009, and prior to July 1, 2011.]

266 [(6)] (5) The Driver License Division shall subtract from any suspension or revocation
267 period the number of days for which a license was previously suspended under Section
268 53-3-223 or 53-3-231, if the previous suspension was based on the same occurrence upon
269 which the record of conviction is based.

270 [(7)] (6) If a conviction recorded as impaired driving is amended to a driving under the
271 influence conviction under Section 41-6a-502 in accordance with Subsection

272 41-6a-502.5(3)(a)(ii), the Driver License Division:

273 (a) may not subtract from any suspension or revocation any time for which a license
274 was previously suspended or revoked under Section 53-3-223 or 53-3-231; and

275 (b) shall start the suspension or revocation time under Subsection (1) on the date of the
276 amended conviction.

277 [~~8~~] (7) A court that reported a conviction of a violation of Section 41-6a-502 for a
278 violation that occurred on or after July 1, 2009, to the Driver License Division may shorten the
279 suspension period imposed under Subsection (2)(a) or (b) or Subsection (3)(a) or (b) prior to
280 completion of the suspension period if the person:

281 (a) completes at least six months of the license suspension;

282 (b) completes a screening;

283 (c) completes an assessment, if it is found appropriate by a screening under Subsection
284 [~~8~~] (7)(b);

285 (d) completes substance abuse treatment if it is found appropriate by the assessment
286 under Subsection [~~8~~] (7)(c);

287 (e) completes an educational series if substance abuse treatment is not required by an
288 assessment under Subsection [~~8~~] (7)(c) or the court does not order substance abuse treatment;

289 (f) has not been convicted of a violation of any motor vehicle law in which the person
290 was involved as the operator of the vehicle during the suspension period imposed under
291 Subsection (2)(a) or (b) or Subsection (3)(a) or (b);

292 (g) has complied with all the terms of the person's probation or all orders of the court if
293 not ordered to probation; and

294 (h) (i) is 18 years of age or older and provides a sworn statement to the court that the
295 person has not unlawfully consumed alcohol during the suspension period imposed under
296 Subsection (2)(a) or (b) or Subsection (3)(a) or (b); or

297 (ii) is under 18 years of age and has the person's parent or legal guardian provide an
298 affidavit or sworn statement to the court certifying that to the parent or legal guardian's

299 knowledge the person has not unlawfully consumed alcohol during the suspension period
300 imposed under Subsection (2)(a) or (b) or Subsection (3)(a) or (b).

301 ~~[(9)]~~ (8) If the court shortens a person's license suspension period in accordance with
302 the requirements of Subsection ~~[(8)]~~ (7), the court shall forward the order shortening the
303 person's suspension period prior to the completion of the suspension period imposed under
304 Subsection (2)(a) or (b) or Subsection (3)(a) or (b) to the Driver License Division.

305 ~~[(10)]~~ (9) (a) (i) In addition to any other penalties provided in this section, a court may
306 order the operator's license of a person who is convicted of a violation of Section 41-6a-502 to
307 be suspended or revoked for an additional period of 90 days, 120 days, 180 days, one year, or
308 two years to remove from the highways those persons who have shown they are safety hazards.

309 (ii) The additional suspension or revocation period provided in this Subsection ~~[(10)]~~
310 (9) shall begin the date on which the individual would be eligible to reinstate the individual's
311 driving privilege for a violation of Section 41-6a-502.

312 (b) If the court suspends or revokes the person's license under this Subsection ~~[(10)]~~
313 (9), the court shall prepare and send to the Driver License Division an order to suspend or
314 revoke that person's driving privileges for a specified period of time.

315 ~~[(11)]~~ (10) (a) The court shall notify the Driver License Division if a person fails to:

316 (i) complete all court ordered:

317 (A) screening;

318 (B) assessment;

319 (C) educational series;

320 (D) substance abuse treatment; and

321 (E) hours of work in a compensatory-service work program; or

322 (ii) pay all fines and fees, including fees for restitution and treatment costs.

323 (b) Upon receiving the notification described in Subsection ~~[(11)]~~ (10)(a), the division
324 shall suspend the person's driving privilege in accordance with Subsections 53-3-221(2) and
325 (3).

326 ~~[(12)]~~ (11) (a) A court that reported a conviction of a violation of Section 41-6a-502 to
327 the Driver License Division may shorten the suspension period imposed under Subsection (1)
328 before completion of the suspension period if the person is participating in or has successfully
329 completed a 24-7 sobriety program as defined in Section 41-6a-515.5.

330 (b) If the court shortens a person's license suspension period in accordance with the
331 requirements of this Subsection ~~[(12)]~~ (11), the court shall forward to the Driver License
332 Division the order shortening the person's suspension period.

333 (c) The court shall notify the Driver License Division if a person fails to complete all
334 requirements of a 24-7 sobriety program.

335 (d) Upon receiving the notification described in Subsection ~~[(12)]~~ (11)(c), the division
336 shall suspend the person's driving privilege in accordance with Subsections 53-3-221(2) and
337 (3).

338 Section 5. Section 41-6a-518.2 is amended to read:

339 **41-6a-518.2. Interlock restricted driver -- Penalties for operation without ignition**
340 **interlock system.**

341 (1) As used in this section:

342 (a) "Ignition interlock system" means a constant monitoring device or any similar
343 device that:

344 (i) is in working order at the time of operation or actual physical control; and

345 (ii) is certified by the Commissioner of Public Safety in accordance with Subsection
346 41-6a-518(8).

347 (b) (i) "Interlock restricted driver" means a person who:

348 (A) has been ordered by a court or the Board of Pardons and Parole as a condition of
349 probation or parole not to operate a motor vehicle without an ignition interlock system;

350 (B) within the last 18 months has been convicted of a [~~driving under the influence~~]
351 violation under Section 41-6a-502 [~~that was committed on or after July 1, 2009~~] or Subsection
352 41-6a-520(7);

353 (C) (I) within the last three years has been convicted of an offense [~~that occurred after~~
354 ~~May 1, 2006~~] which would be a conviction as defined under Section 41-6a-501; and

355 (II) the offense described under Subsection (1)(b)(i)(C)(I) is committed within 10 years
356 from the date that one or more prior offenses was committed if the prior offense resulted in a
357 conviction as defined in Subsection 41-6a-501(2);

358 (D) within the last three years has been convicted of a violation of this section;

359 (E) within the last three years has had the person's driving privilege revoked through an
360 administrative action for refusal to submit to a chemical test under Section 41-6a-520[~~, which~~
361 ~~refusal occurred after May 1, 2006~~];

362 (F) within the last three years has been convicted of a violation of Section 41-6a-502 or
363 Subsection 41-6a-520(7) and was under the age of 21 at the time the offense was committed;

364 (G) within the last six years has been convicted of a felony violation of Section
365 41-6a-502 or Subsection 41-6a-520(7) for an offense that occurred after May 1, 2006; or

366 (H) within the last 10 years has been convicted of automobile homicide under Section
367 76-5-207 for an offense that occurred after May 1, 2006.

368 (ii) "Interlock restricted driver" does not include a person:

369 (A) whose conviction described in Subsection (1)(b)(i)(C)(I) is a conviction under
370 Section 41-6a-502 that does not involve alcohol or a conviction under Section 41-6a-517 and
371 whose prior convictions described in Subsection (1)(b)(i)(C)(II) are all convictions under
372 Section 41-6a-502 that did not involve alcohol or convictions under Section 41-6a-517;

373 (B) whose conviction described in Subsection (1)(b)(i)(B) or (F) is a conviction under
374 Section 41-6a-502 that does not involve alcohol and the convicting court notifies the Driver
375 License Division at the time of sentencing that the conviction does not involve alcohol; or

376 (C) whose conviction described in Subsection (1)(b)(i)(B), (C), or (F) is a conviction
377 under Section 41-6a-502 that does not involve alcohol and the ignition interlock restriction is
378 removed as described in Subsection (7).

379 (2) The division shall post the ignition interlock restriction on a person's electronic

380 record that is available to law enforcement.

381 (3) For purposes of this section, a plea of guilty or no contest to a violation of Section
382 41-6a-502 which plea was held in abeyance under Title 77, Chapter 2a, Pleas in Abeyance,
383 prior to July 1, 2008, is the equivalent of a conviction, even if the charge has been subsequently
384 reduced or dismissed in accordance with the plea in abeyance agreement.

385 (4) An interlock restricted driver who operates or is in actual physical control of a
386 vehicle in the state without an ignition interlock system is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

387 (5) It is an affirmative defense to a charge of a violation of Subsection (4) if:

388 (a) the interlock restricted driver operated or was in actual physical control of a vehicle
389 owned by the interlock restricted driver's employer;

390 (b) the interlock restricted driver had given written notice to the employer of the
391 interlock restricted driver's interlock restricted status prior to the operation or actual physical
392 control under Subsection (5)(a);

393 (c) the interlock restricted driver had on the interlock restricted driver's person, or in
394 the vehicle, at the time of operation or physical control employer verification, as defined in
395 Subsection 41-6a-518(1); and

396 (d) the operation or actual physical control described in Subsection (5)(a) was in the
397 scope of the interlock restricted driver's employment.

398 (6) The affirmative defense described in Subsection (5) does not apply to:

399 (a) an employer-owned motor vehicle that is made available to an interlock restricted
400 driver for personal use; or

401 (b) a motor vehicle owned by a business entity that is entirely or partly owned or
402 controlled by the interlock restricted driver.

403 (7) (a) An individual with an ignition interlock restriction may petition the division for
404 removal of the restriction if the individual's offense did not involve alcohol.

405 (b) If the division is able to establish that an individual's offense did not involve
406 alcohol, the division may remove the ignition interlock restriction.

407 Section 6. Section **41-6a-520** is amended to read:

408 **41-6a-520. Implied consent to chemical tests for alcohol or drug -- Number of**
409 **tests -- Refusal -- Warning, report.**

410 (1) (a) A person operating a motor vehicle in this state is considered to have given the
411 person's consent to a chemical test or tests of the person's breath, blood, urine, or oral fluids for
412 the purpose of determining whether the person was operating or in actual physical control of a
413 motor vehicle while:

414 (i) having a blood or breath alcohol content statutorily prohibited under Section
415 [41-6a-502](#), [41-6a-530](#), or [53-3-231](#);

416 (ii) under the influence of alcohol, any drug, or combination of alcohol and any drug
417 under Section [41-6a-502](#); or

418 (iii) having any measurable controlled substance or metabolite of a controlled
419 substance in the person's body in violation of Section [41-6a-517](#).

420 (b) A test or tests authorized under this Subsection (1) must be administered at the
421 direction of a peace officer having grounds to believe that person to have been operating or in
422 actual physical control of a motor vehicle while in violation of any provision under Subsections
423 (1)(a)(i) through (iii).

424 (c) (i) The peace officer determines which of the tests are administered and how many
425 of them are administered.

426 (ii) If a peace officer requests more than one test, refusal by a person to take one or
427 more requested tests, even though the person does submit to any other requested test or tests, is
428 a refusal under this section.

429 (d) (i) A person who has been requested under this section to submit to a chemical test
430 or tests of the person's breath, blood, or urine, or oral fluids may not select the test or tests to be
431 administered.

432 (ii) The failure or inability of a peace officer to arrange for any specific chemical test is
433 not a defense to taking a test requested by a peace officer, and it is not a defense in any

434 criminal, civil, or administrative proceeding resulting from a person's refusal to submit to the
435 requested test or tests.

436 (2) (a) A peace officer requesting a test or tests shall warn a person that refusal to
437 submit to the test or tests may result in criminal prosecution, revocation of the person's license
438 to operate a motor vehicle, a five or 10 year prohibition of driving with any measurable or
439 detectable amount of alcohol in the person's body depending on the person's prior driving
440 history, and a three-year prohibition of driving without an ignition interlock device if the
441 person:

442 (i) has been placed under arrest;

443 (ii) has then been requested by a peace officer to submit to any one or more of the
444 chemical tests under Subsection (1); and

445 (iii) refuses to submit to any chemical test requested.

446 (b) (i) Following the warning under Subsection (2)(a), if the person does not
447 immediately request that the chemical test or tests as offered by a peace officer be
448 administered, a peace officer shall, on behalf of the Driver License Division and within 24
449 hours of the arrest, give notice of the Driver License Division's intention to revoke the person's
450 privilege or license to operate a motor vehicle.

451 (ii) When a peace officer gives the notice on behalf of the Driver License Division, the
452 peace officer shall supply to the operator, in a manner specified by the Driver License Division,
453 basic information regarding how to obtain a hearing before the Driver License Division.

454 (c) As a matter of procedure, the peace officer shall submit a signed report, within 10
455 calendar days after the day on which notice is provided under Subsection (2)(b), that:

456 (i) the peace officer had grounds to believe the arrested person was in violation of any
457 provision under Subsections (1)(a)(i) through (iii); and

458 (ii) the person had refused to submit to a chemical test or tests under Subsection (1).

459 (3) Upon the request of the person who was tested, the results of the test or tests shall
460 be made available to the person.

461 (4) (a) The person to be tested may, at the person's own expense, have a physician or a
462 physician assistant of the person's own choice administer a chemical test in addition to the test
463 or tests administered at the direction of a peace officer.

464 (b) The failure or inability to obtain the additional test does not affect admissibility of
465 the results of the test or tests taken at the direction of a peace officer, or preclude or delay the
466 test or tests to be taken at the direction of a peace officer.

467 (c) The additional test shall be subsequent to the test or tests administered at the
468 direction of a peace officer.

469 (5) For the purpose of determining whether to submit to a chemical test or tests, the
470 person to be tested does not have the right to consult an attorney or have an attorney, physician,
471 or other person present as a condition for the taking of any test.

472 (6) Notwithstanding the provisions in this section, a blood test taken under this section
473 is subject to Section [77-23-213](#).

474 (7) A person is guilty of refusing a chemical test if a peace officer has issued the
475 warning required in Subsection (2)(a) and the person refuses to submit to a test of the person's
476 blood under Subsection (1) after a court has issued a warrant to draw and test the blood.

477 (8) A person who violates Subsection (7) is guilty of:

478 (a) a third degree felony if:

479 (i) the person has two or more prior convictions as defined in Subsection [41-6a-501\(2\)](#),
480 each of which is within 10 years of:

481 (A) the current conviction; or

482 (B) the commission of the offense upon which the current conviction is based; or

483 (ii) the conviction is at any time after a conviction of:

484 (A) automobile homicide under Section [76-5-207](#);

485 (B) a felony violation of this section or Section [41-6a-502](#); or

486 (C) any conviction described in Subsection (8)(a)(ii) which judgment of conviction is
487 reduced under Section [76-3-402](#); or

488 (b) a class B misdemeanor if none of the circumstances in Subsection (8)(a) applies.

489 (9) As part of any sentence for a conviction of violating this section, the court shall
490 impose the same sentencing as outlined for driving under the influence violations in Section
491 41-6a-505, based on whether this is a first, second, or subsequent conviction as defined by
492 Subsection 41-6a-501(2), with the following modifications:

493 (a) any jail sentence shall be 24 consecutive hours more than would be required under
494 Section 41-6a-505;

495 (b) any fine imposed shall be \$100 more than would be required under Section
496 41-6a-505; and

497 (c) the court shall order one or more of the following:

498 (i) the installation of an ignition interlock system as a condition of probation for the
499 individual in accordance with Section 41-6a-518;

500 (ii) the imposition of an ankle attached continuous transdermal alcohol monitoring
501 device as a condition of probation for the individual; or

502 (iii) the imposition of home confinement through the use of electronic monitoring in
503 accordance with Section 41-6a-506.

504 (10) (a) The offense of refusal to submit to a chemical test under this section does not
505 merge with any violation of Section 32B-4-409, 41-6a-502, 41-6a-517, or 41-6a-530.

506 (b) A guilty or no contest plea to an offense of refusal to submit to a chemical test
507 under this section may not be held in abeyance.

508 Section 7. Section **41-6a-521.1** is enacted to read:

509 **41-6a-521.1. Driver license denial or revocation for a criminal conviction for a**
510 **refusal to submit to a chemical test violation.**

511 (1) The Driver License Division shall, if the person is 21 years of age or older at the
512 time of arrest:

513 (a) revoke for a period of 18 months the operator's license of a person convicted for the
514 first time under Subsection 41-6a-520(7); or

515 (b) revoke for a period of 36 months the license of a person if:
516 (i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2); and
517 (ii) the current refusal to submit to a chemical test violation under Subsection
518 41-6a-520(7) is committed within a period of 10 years from the date of the prior violation.
519 (2) The Driver License Division shall, if the person is under 21 years of age at the time
520 of arrest:
521 (a) revoke the person's driver license until the person is 21 years of age or for a period
522 of two years, whichever is longer; or
523 (b) revoke the person's driver license until the person is 21 years of age or for a period
524 of 36 months, whichever is longer, if:
525 (i) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2); and
526 (ii) the current refusal to submit to a chemical test violation under Subsection
527 41-6a-520(7) is committed within a period of 10 years from the date of the prior violation; or
528 (c) if the person has not been issued an operator license:
529 (i) deny the person's application for a license or learner's permit until the person is 21
530 years of age or for a period of two years, whichever is longer; or
531 (ii) deny the person's application for a license or learner's permit until the person is 21
532 years of age or for a period of 36 months, whichever is longer, if:
533 (A) the person has a prior conviction as defined under Subsection 41-6a-501(2); and
534 (B) the current refusal to submit to a chemical test violation under Subsection
535 41-6a-520(7) is committed within a period of 10 years from the date of the prior violation.
536 (3) The Driver License Division shall suspend or revoke the license of a person as
537 ordered by the court under Subsection (5).
538 (4) The Driver License Division shall subtract from any revocation period the number
539 of days for which a license was previously revoked under Section 53-3-221 if the previous
540 revocation was based on the same occurrence upon which the record of conviction under
541 Subsection 41-6a-520(7) is based.

542 (5) (a) (i) In addition to any other penalties provided in this section, a court may order
543 the driver license of a person who is convicted of a violation of Subsection 41-6a-520(7) to be
544 revoked for an additional period of 90 days, 120 days, 180 days, one year, or two years to
545 remove from the highways those persons who have shown they are safety hazards.

546 (ii) The additional revocation period provided in this Subsection (5) shall begin the
547 date on which the individual would be eligible to reinstate the individual's driving privilege for
548 a violation of Subsection 41-6a-520(7).

549 (b) If the court suspends or revokes the person's license under this Subsection (5), the
550 court shall prepare and send to the Driver License Division an order to suspend or revoke that
551 person's driving privileges for a specified period of time.

552 (6) (a) The court shall notify the Driver License Division if a person fails to:

553 (i) complete all court ordered:

554 (A) screening;

555 (B) assessment;

556 (C) educational series;

557 (D) substance abuse treatment; and

558 (E) hours of work in a compensatory-service work program; or

559 (ii) pay all fines and fees, including fees for restitution and treatment costs.

560 (b) Upon receiving the notification described in Subsection (6)(a), the Driver License
561 Division shall suspend the person's driving privilege in accordance with Subsections
562 53-3-221(2) and (3).

563 Section 8. Section **41-6a-529** is amended to read:

564 **41-6a-529. Definitions -- Alcohol restricted drivers.**

565 (1) As used in this section and Section 41-6a-530, "alcohol restricted driver" means a
566 person who:

567 (a) within the last two years:

568 (i) has been convicted of:

- 569 (A) a misdemeanor violation of Section 41-6a-502;
- 570 (B) alcohol, any drug, or a combination of both-related reckless driving under Section
571 41-6a-512;
- 572 (C) impaired driving under Section 41-6a-502.5;
- 573 (D) local ordinances similar to Section 41-6a-502, alcohol, any drug, or a combination
574 of both-related reckless driving, or impaired driving adopted in compliance with Section
575 41-6a-510;
- 576 (E) a violation described in Subsections (1)(a)(i)(A) through (D), which judgment of
577 conviction is reduced under Section 76-3-402; or
- 578 (F) statutes or ordinances previously in effect in this state or in effect in any other state,
579 the United States, or any district, possession, or territory of the United States which would
580 constitute a violation of Section 41-6a-502, alcohol, any drug, or a combination of both-related
581 reckless driving, or impaired driving if committed in this state, including punishments
582 administered under 10 U.S.C. Sec. 815; or
- 583 (ii) has had the person's driving privilege suspended under Section 53-3-223 for an
584 alcohol-related offense based on an arrest which occurred on or after July 1, 2005;
- 585 (b) within the last three years has been convicted of a violation of this section or
586 Section 41-6a-518.2;
- 587 (c) within the last five years:
- 588 (i) has had the person's driving privilege revoked through an administrative action for
589 refusal to submit to a chemical test under Section 41-6a-520, which refusal occurred on or after
590 July 1, 2005; [~~or~~]
- 591 (ii) has been convicted of a misdemeanor conviction for refusal to submit to a chemical
592 test under Subsection 41-6a-520(7); or
- 593 [~~(i)~~] (iii) has been convicted of a class A misdemeanor violation of Section 41-6a-502
594 committed on or after July 1, 2008;
- 595 (d) within the last 10 years:

596 (i) has been convicted of an offense described in Subsection (1)(a)(i) which offense
597 was committed within 10 years of the commission of a prior offense described in Subsection
598 (1)(a)(i) for which the person was convicted; ~~[or]~~

599 (ii) has been convicted of a felony violation of refusal to submit to a chemical test
600 under Subsection 41-6a-520(7); or

601 ~~[(ii)]~~ (iii) has had the person's driving privilege revoked for refusal to submit to a
602 chemical test and the refusal is within 10 years after:

603 (A) a prior refusal to submit to a chemical test under Section 41-6a-520; or

604 (B) a prior conviction for an offense described in Subsection (1)(a)(i) which is not
605 based on the same arrest as the refusal;

606 (e) at any time has been convicted of:

607 (i) automobile homicide under Section 76-5-207 for an offense that occurred on or
608 after July 1, 2005; or

609 (ii) a felony violation of Section 41-6a-502 for an offense that occurred on or after July
610 1, 2005;

611 (f) at the time of operation of a vehicle is under 21 years of age; or

612 (g) is a novice learner driver.

613 (2) For purposes of this section and Section 41-6a-530, a plea of guilty or no contest to
614 a violation described in Subsection (1)(a)(i) which plea was held in abeyance under Title 77,
615 Chapter 2a, Pleas in Abeyance, prior to July 1, 2008, is the equivalent of a conviction, even if
616 the charge has been subsequently reduced or dismissed in accordance with the plea in abeyance
617 agreement.

618 Section 9. Section 53-3-220 is amended to read:

619 **53-3-220. Offenses requiring mandatory revocation, denial, suspension, or**
620 **disqualification of license -- Offense requiring an extension of period -- Hearing --**
621 **Limited driving privileges.**

622 (1) (a) The division shall immediately revoke or, when this chapter, Title 41, Chapter

623 6a, Traffic Code, or Section 76-5-303, specifically provides for denial, suspension, or
624 disqualification, the division shall deny, suspend, or disqualify the license of a person upon
625 receiving a record of the person's conviction for:

626 (i) manslaughter or negligent homicide resulting from driving a motor vehicle, or
627 automobile homicide under Section 76-5-207 or 76-5-207.5;

628 (ii) driving or being in actual physical control of a motor vehicle while under the
629 influence of alcohol, any drug, or combination of them to a degree that renders the person
630 incapable of safely driving a motor vehicle as prohibited in Section 41-6a-502 or as prohibited
631 in an ordinance that complies with the requirements of Subsection 41-6a-510(1);

632 (iii) driving or being in actual physical control of a motor vehicle while having a blood
633 or breath alcohol content as prohibited in Section 41-6a-502 or as prohibited in an ordinance
634 that complies with the requirements of Subsection 41-6a-510(1);

635 (iv) perjury or the making of a false affidavit to the division under this chapter, Title
636 41, Motor Vehicles, or any other law of this state requiring the registration of motor vehicles or
637 regulating driving on highways;

638 (v) any felony under the motor vehicle laws of this state;

639 (vi) any other felony in which a motor vehicle is used to facilitate the offense;

640 (vii) failure to stop and render aid as required under the laws of this state if a motor
641 vehicle accident results in the death or personal injury of another;

642 (viii) two charges of reckless driving, impaired driving, or any combination of reckless
643 driving and impaired driving committed within a period of 12 months; but if upon a first
644 conviction of reckless driving or impaired driving the judge or justice recommends suspension
645 of the convicted person's license, the division may after a hearing suspend the license for a
646 period of three months;

647 (ix) failure to bring a motor vehicle to a stop at the command of a law enforcement
648 officer as required in Section 41-6a-210;

649 (x) any offense specified in Part 4, Uniform Commercial Driver License Act, that

650 requires disqualification;

651 (xi) a felony violation of Section 76-10-508 or 76-10-508.1 involving discharging or
652 allowing the discharge of a firearm from a vehicle;

653 (xii) using, allowing the use of, or causing to be used any explosive, chemical, or
654 incendiary device from a vehicle in violation of Subsection 76-10-306(4)(b);

655 (xiii) operating or being in actual physical control of a motor vehicle while having any
656 measurable controlled substance or metabolite of a controlled substance in the person's body in
657 violation of Section 41-6a-517;

658 (xiv) operating or being in actual physical control of a motor vehicle while having any
659 measurable or detectable amount of alcohol in the person's body in violation of Section
660 41-6a-530;

661 (xv) engaging in a motor vehicle speed contest or exhibition of speed on a highway in
662 violation of Section 41-6a-606;

663 (xvi) operating or being in actual physical control of a motor vehicle in this state
664 without an ignition interlock system in violation of Section 41-6a-518.2; [or]

665 (xvii) custodial interference, under:

666 (A) Subsection 76-5-303(3), which suspension shall be for a period of 30 days, unless
667 the court provides the division with an order of suspension for a shorter period of time;

668 (B) Subsection 76-5-303(4), which suspension shall be for a period of 90 days, unless
669 the court provides the division with an order of suspension for a shorter period of time; or

670 (C) Subsection 76-5-303(5), which suspension shall be for a period of 180 days, unless
671 the court provides the division with an order of suspension for a shorter period of time[-]; or

672 (xviii) refusal of a chemical test under Subsection 41-6a-520(7).

673 (b) The division shall immediately revoke the license of a person upon receiving a
674 record of an adjudication under Title 78A, Chapter 6, Juvenile Court Act, for:

675 (i) a felony violation of Section 76-10-508 or 76-10-508.1 involving discharging or
676 allowing the discharge of a firearm from a vehicle; or

677 (ii) using, allowing the use of, or causing to be used any explosive, chemical, or
678 incendiary device from a vehicle in violation of Subsection 76-10-306(4)(b).

679 (c) Except when action is taken under Section 53-3-219 for the same offense, upon
680 receiving a record of conviction, the division shall immediately suspend for six months the
681 license of the convicted person if the person was convicted of one of the following offenses
682 while the person was an operator of a motor vehicle:

683 (i) any violation of:

684 (A) Title 58, Chapter 37, Utah Controlled Substances Act;

685 (B) Title 58, Chapter 37a, Utah Drug Paraphernalia Act;

686 (C) Title 58, Chapter 37b, Imitation Controlled Substances Act;

687 (D) Title 58, Chapter 37c, Utah Controlled Substance Precursor Act; or

688 (E) Title 58, Chapter 37d, Clandestine Drug Lab Act; or

689 (ii) any criminal offense that prohibits:

690 (A) possession, distribution, manufacture, cultivation, sale, or transfer of any substance
691 that is prohibited under the acts described in Subsection (1)(c)(i); or

692 (B) the attempt or conspiracy to possess, distribute, manufacture, cultivate, sell, or
693 transfer any substance that is prohibited under the acts described in Subsection (1)(c)(i).

694 (d) (i) The division shall immediately suspend a person's driver license for conviction
695 of the offense of theft of motor vehicle fuel under Section 76-6-404.7 if the division receives:

696 (A) an order from the sentencing court requiring that the person's driver license be
697 suspended; and

698 (B) a record of the conviction.

699 (ii) An order of suspension under this section is at the discretion of the sentencing
700 court, and may not be for more than 90 days for each offense.

701 (e) (i) The division shall immediately suspend for one year the license of a person upon
702 receiving a record of:

703 (A) conviction for the first time for a violation under Section 32B-4-411; or

704 (B) an adjudication under Title 78A, Chapter 6, Juvenile Court Act, for a violation
705 under Section 32B-4-411.

706 (ii) The division shall immediately suspend for a period of two years the license of a
707 person upon receiving a record of:

708 (A) (I) conviction for a second or subsequent violation under Section 32B-4-411; and

709 (II) the violation described in Subsection (1)(e)(ii)(A)(I) is within 10 years of a prior
710 conviction for a violation under Section 32B-4-411; or

711 (B) (I) a second or subsequent adjudication under Title 78A, Chapter 6, Juvenile Court
712 Act of 1996, for a violation under Section 32B-4-411; and

713 (II) the adjudication described in Subsection (1)(e)(ii)(B)(I) is within 10 years of a prior
714 adjudication under Title 78A, Chapter 6, Juvenile Court Act of 1996, for a violation under
715 Section 32B-4-411.

716 (iii) Upon receipt of a record under Subsection (1)(e)(i) or (ii), the division shall:

717 (A) for a conviction or adjudication described in Subsection (1)(e)(i):

718 (I) impose a suspension for one year beginning on the date of conviction; or

719 (II) if the person is under the age of eligibility for a driver license, impose a suspension
720 that begins on the date of conviction and continues for one year beginning on the date of
721 eligibility for a driver license; or

722 (B) for a conviction or adjudication described in Subsection (1)(e)(ii):

723 (I) impose a suspension for a period of two years; or

724 (II) if the person is under the age of eligibility for a driver license, impose a suspension
725 that begins on the date of conviction and continues for two years beginning on the date of
726 eligibility for a driver license.

727 (iv) Upon receipt of the first order suspending a person's driving privileges under
728 Section 32B-4-411, the division shall reduce the suspension period under Subsection (1)(e)(i) if
729 ordered by the court in accordance with Subsection 32B-4-411(3)(a).

730 (v) Upon receipt of the second or subsequent order suspending a person's driving

731 privileges under Section 32B-4-411, the division shall reduce the suspension period under
732 Subsection (1)(e)(ii) if ordered by the court in accordance with Subsection 32B-4-411(3)(b).

733 (2) The division shall extend the period of the first denial, suspension, revocation, or
734 disqualification for an additional like period, to a maximum of one year for each subsequent
735 occurrence, upon receiving:

736 (a) a record of the conviction of any person on a charge of driving a motor vehicle
737 while the person's license is denied, suspended, revoked, or disqualified;

738 (b) a record of a conviction of the person for any violation of the motor vehicle law in
739 which the person was involved as a driver;

740 (c) a report of an arrest of the person for any violation of the motor vehicle law in
741 which the person was involved as a driver; or

742 (d) a report of an accident in which the person was involved as a driver.

743 (3) When the division receives a report under Subsection (2)(c) or (d) that a person is
744 driving while the person's license is denied, suspended, disqualified, or revoked, the person is
745 entitled to a hearing regarding the extension of the time of denial, suspension, disqualification,
746 or revocation originally imposed under Section 53-3-221.

747 (4) (a) The division may extend to a person the limited privilege of driving a motor
748 vehicle to and from the person's place of employment or within other specified limits on
749 recommendation of the judge in any case where a person is convicted of any of the offenses
750 referred to in Subsections (1) and (2) except:

751 (i) automobile homicide under Subsection (1)(a)(i);

752 (ii) those offenses referred to in Subsections (1)(a)(ii), (iii), (xi), (xii), (xiii), (1)(b), and
753 (1)(c); and

754 (iii) those offenses referred to in Subsection (2) when the original denial, suspension,
755 revocation, or disqualification was imposed because of a violation of Section 41-6a-502,

756 41-6a-517, a local ordinance which complies with the requirements of Subsection

757 41-6a-510(1), Section 41-6a-520, or Section 76-5-207, or a criminal prohibition that the person

758 was charged with violating as a result of a plea bargain after having been originally charged
759 with violating one or more of these sections or ordinances, unless:

760 (A) the person has had the period of the first denial, suspension, revocation, or
761 disqualification extended for a period of at least three years;

762 (B) the division receives written verification from the person's primary care physician
763 that:

764 (I) to the physician's knowledge the person has not used any narcotic drug or other
765 controlled substance except as prescribed by a licensed medical practitioner within the last
766 three years; and

767 (II) the physician is not aware of any physical, emotional, or mental impairment that
768 would affect the person's ability to operate a motor vehicle safely; and

769 (C) for a period of one year prior to the date of the request for a limited driving
770 privilege:

771 (I) the person has not been convicted of a violation of any motor vehicle law in which
772 the person was involved as the operator of the vehicle;

773 (II) the division has not received a report of an arrest for a violation of any motor
774 vehicle law in which the person was involved as the operator of the vehicle; and

775 (III) the division has not received a report of an accident in which the person was
776 involved as an operator of a vehicle.

777 (b) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (4)(b)(ii), the discretionary privilege
778 authorized in this Subsection (4):

779 (A) is limited to when undue hardship would result from a failure to grant the
780 privilege; and

781 (B) may be granted only once to any person during any single period of denial,
782 suspension, revocation, or disqualification, or extension of that denial, suspension, revocation,
783 or disqualification.

784 (ii) The discretionary privilege authorized in Subsection (4)(a)(iii):

785 (A) is limited to when the limited privilege is necessary for the person to commute to
786 school or work; and

787 (B) may be granted only once to any person during any single period of denial,
788 suspension, revocation, or disqualification, or extension of that denial, suspension, revocation,
789 or disqualification.

790 (c) A limited CDL may not be granted to a person disqualified under Part 4, Uniform
791 Commercial Driver License Act, or whose license has been revoked, suspended, cancelled, or
792 denied under this chapter.

793 Section 10. Section **53-3-223** is amended to read:

794 **53-3-223. Chemical test for driving under the influence -- Temporary license --**
795 **Hearing and decision -- Suspension and fee -- Judicial review.**

796 (1) (a) If a peace officer has reasonable grounds to believe that a person may be
797 violating or has violated Section [41-6a-502](#), prohibiting the operation of a vehicle with a
798 certain blood or breath alcohol concentration and driving under the influence of any drug,
799 alcohol, or combination of a drug and alcohol or while having any measurable controlled
800 substance or metabolite of a controlled substance in the person's body in violation of Section
801 [41-6a-517](#), the peace officer may, in connection with arresting the person, request that the
802 person submit to a chemical test or tests to be administered in compliance with the standards
803 under Section [41-6a-520](#).

804 (b) In this section, a reference to Section [41-6a-502](#) includes any similar local
805 ordinance adopted in compliance with Subsection [41-6a-510](#)(1).

806 (2) The peace officer shall advise a person prior to the person's submission to a
807 chemical test that a test result indicating a violation of Section [41-6a-502](#) or [41-6a-517](#) shall,
808 and the existence of a blood alcohol content sufficient to render the person incapable of safely
809 driving a motor vehicle may, result in suspension or revocation of the person's license to drive
810 a motor vehicle.

811 (3) If the person submits to a chemical test and the test results indicate a blood or

812 breath alcohol content in violation of Section 41-6a-502 or 41-6a-517, or if a peace officer
813 makes a determination, based on reasonable grounds, that the person is otherwise in violation
814 of Section 41-6a-502, a peace officer shall, on behalf of the division and within 24 hours of
815 arrest, give notice of the division's intention to suspend the person's license to drive a motor
816 vehicle.

817 (4) When a peace officer gives notice on behalf of the division, the peace officer shall
818 supply to the driver, in a manner specified by the division, basic information regarding how to
819 obtain a prompt hearing before the division.

820 (5) As a matter of procedure, a peace officer shall send to the division within 10
821 calendar days after the day on which notice is provided:

822 (a) a copy of the citation issued for the offense;

823 (b) a signed report in a manner specified by the division indicating the chemical test
824 results, if any; and

825 (c) any other basis for the peace officer's determination that the person has violated
826 Section 41-6a-502 or 41-6a-517.

827 (6) (a) Upon request in a manner specified by the division, the division shall grant to
828 the person an opportunity to be heard within 29 days after the date of arrest. The request to be
829 heard shall be made within 10 calendar days of the day on which notice is provided under
830 Subsection (5).

831 (b) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (6)(b)(ii), a hearing, if held, shall be before the
832 division in:

833 (A) the county in which the arrest occurred; or

834 (B) a county that is adjacent to the county in which the arrest occurred.

835 (ii) The division may hold a hearing in some other county if the division and the person
836 both agree.

837 (c) The hearing shall be documented and shall cover the issues of:

838 (i) whether a peace officer had reasonable grounds to believe the person was driving a

839 motor vehicle in violation of Section 41-6a-502 or 41-6a-517;

840 (ii) whether the person refused to submit to the test; and

841 (iii) the test results, if any.

842 (d) (i) In connection with a hearing the division or its authorized agent:

843 (A) may administer oaths and may issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and

844 the production of relevant books and papers; or

845 (B) may issue subpoenas for the attendance of necessary peace officers.

846 (ii) The division shall pay witness fees and mileage from the Transportation Fund in

847 accordance with the rates established in Section 78B-1-119.

848 (e) The division may designate one or more employees to conduct the hearing.

849 (f) Any decision made after a hearing before any designated employee is as valid as if

850 made by the division.

851 (7) (a) If, after a hearing, the division determines that a peace officer had reasonable

852 grounds to believe that the person was driving a motor vehicle in violation of Section

853 41-6a-502 or 41-6a-517, if the person failed to appear before the division as required in the

854 notice, or if a hearing is not requested under this section, the division shall:

855 (i) if the person is 21 years of age or older at the time of arrest [~~and the arrest was made~~

856 ~~on or after July 1, 2009~~], suspend the person's license or permit to operate a motor vehicle for a

857 period of:

858 (A) 120 days beginning on the 45th day after the date of arrest for a first suspension; or

859 (B) two years beginning on the 45th day after the date of arrest for a second or

860 subsequent suspension for an offense that occurred within the previous 10 years; or

861 (ii) if the person is under 21 years of age at the time of arrest [~~and the arrest was made~~

862 ~~on or after May 14, 2013~~]:

863 (A) suspend the person's license or permit to operate a motor vehicle:

864 (I) for a period of six months, beginning on the 45th day after the date of arrest for a

865 first suspension; or

866 (II) until the person is 21 years of age or for a period of two years, whichever is longer,
867 beginning on the 45th day after the date of arrest for a second or subsequent suspension for an
868 offense that occurred within the previous 10 years; or

869 (B) deny the person's application for a license or learner's permit:

870 (I) for a period of six months beginning on the 45th day after the date of the arrest for a
871 first suspension, if the person has not been issued an operator license; or

872 (II) until the person is 21 years of age or for a period of two years, whichever is longer,
873 beginning on the 45th day after the date of arrest for a second or subsequent suspension for an
874 offense that occurred within the previous 10 years.

875 ~~[(b) The division shall deny or suspend a person's license for the denial and suspension~~
876 ~~periods in effect:]~~

877 ~~[(i) prior to July 1, 2009, for an offense that was committed prior to July 1, 2009;]~~

878 ~~[(ii) from July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2011, if:]~~

879 ~~[(A) the person was 20 years 6 months of age or older but under 21 years of age at the~~
880 ~~time of arrest; and]~~

881 ~~[(B) the conviction under Subsection (2) is for an offense that was committed on or~~
882 ~~after July 1, 2009, and prior to July 1, 2011; or]~~

883 ~~[(iii) prior to May 14, 2013, for an offense that was committed prior to May 14, 2013.]~~

884 ~~[(c)]~~ (b) (i) Notwithstanding the provisions in Subsection (7)(a)(i)(A), the division
885 shall reinstate a person's license prior to completion of the 120 day suspension period imposed
886 under Subsection (7)(a)(i)(A):

887 (A) immediately upon receiving written verification of the person's dismissal of a
888 charge for a violation of Section 41-6a-502 or 41-6a-517, if the written verification is received
889 prior to completion of the suspension period; or

890 (B) no sooner than 60 days beginning on the 45th day after the date of arrest upon
891 receiving written verification of the person's reduction of a charge for a violation of Section
892 41-6a-502 or 41-6a-517, if the written verification is received prior to completion of the

893 suspension period.

894 (ii) Notwithstanding the provisions in Subsection (7)(a)(i)(A) [~~or (7)(b)~~], the division
895 shall reinstate a person's license prior to completion of the 120-day suspension period imposed
896 under Subsection (7)(a)(i)(A) immediately upon receiving written verification of the person's
897 conviction of impaired driving under Section 41-6a-502.5 if:

898 (A) the written verification is received prior to completion of the suspension period;
899 and

900 (B) the reporting court notifies the Driver License Division that the defendant is
901 participating in or has successfully completed the program of a driving under the influence
902 court as defined in Section 41-6a-501.

903 (iii) If a person's license is reinstated under this Subsection (7)[~~(c)~~](b), the person is
904 required to pay the license reinstatement fees under Subsections 53-3-105(24) and (25).

905 (iv) The driver license reinstatements authorized under this Subsection (7)[~~(c)~~](b) only
906 apply to a 120 day suspension period imposed under Subsection (7)(a)(i)(A).

907 [~~(8)(a) Notwithstanding the provisions in Subsection (7)(b)(iii), the division shall~~
908 ~~shorten a person's two-year license suspension period that is currently in effect to a six-month~~
909 ~~suspension period if:]~~

910 [~~(i) the driver was under the age of 19 at the time of arrest;]~~

911 [~~(ii) the offense was a first offense that was committed prior to May 14, 2013; and]~~

912 [~~(iii) the suspension under Subsection (7)(b)(iii) was based on the same occurrence~~
913 ~~upon which the following written verifications are based:]~~

914 [~~(A) a court order shortening the driver license suspension for a violation of Section~~
915 ~~41-6a-502 pursuant to Subsection 41-6a-509(8);]~~

916 [~~(B) a court order shortening the driver license suspension for a violation of Section~~
917 ~~41-6a-517 pursuant to Subsection 41-6a-517(11);]~~

918 [~~(C) a court order shortening the driver license suspension for a violation of Section~~
919 ~~32B-4-409;]~~

920 [~~(D)~~] a dismissal for a violation of Section ~~41-6a-502~~, Section ~~41-6a-517~~, or Section
921 ~~32B-4-409~~;

922 [~~(E)~~] a notice of declination to prosecute for a charge under Section ~~41-6a-502~~, Section
923 ~~41-6a-517~~, or Section ~~32B-4-409~~;

924 [~~(F)~~] a reduction of a charge under Section ~~41-6a-502~~, Section ~~41-6a-517~~, or Section
925 ~~32B-4-409~~; or]

926 [~~(G)~~] other written documentation acceptable to the division.]

927 [~~(b)~~] In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act,
928 the division may make rules establishing requirements for acceptable written documentation to
929 shorten a person's driver license suspension period under Subsection (8)(a)(iii)(G).]

930 [~~(c)~~] If a person's license sanction is shortened under this Subsection (8), the person is
931 required to pay the license reinstatement fees under Subsections ~~53-3-105~~(24) and (25).]

932 [~~(9)~~] (8) (a) The division shall assess against a person, in addition to any fee imposed
933 under Subsection ~~53-3-205~~(12) for driving under the influence, a fee under Section ~~53-3-105~~ to
934 cover administrative costs, which shall be paid before the person's driving privilege is
935 reinstated. This fee shall be cancelled if the person obtains an unappealed division hearing or
936 court decision that the suspension was not proper.

937 (b) A person whose license has been suspended by the division under this section
938 following an administrative hearing may file a petition within 30 days after the suspension for a
939 hearing on the matter which, if held, is governed by Section ~~53-3-224~~.

940 [~~(10)~~] (9) (a) Notwithstanding the provisions in Subsection (7)(a)(i) or (ii), the division
941 shall reinstate a person's license before completion of the suspension period imposed under
942 Subsection (7)(a)(i) or (ii) if the reporting court notifies the Driver License Division that the
943 defendant is participating in or has successfully completed a 24-7 sobriety program as defined
944 in Section ~~41-6a-515.5~~.

945 (b) If a person's license is reinstated under Subsection [~~(10)~~] (9)(a), the person is
946 required to pay the license reinstatement fees under Subsections ~~53-3-105~~(24) and (25).

947 Section 11. Section **53-3-231** is amended to read:

948 **53-3-231. Person under 21 may not operate a vehicle or motorboat with**
949 **detectable alcohol in body -- Chemical test procedures -- Temporary license -- Hearing**
950 **and decision -- Suspension of license or operating privilege -- Fees -- Judicial review --**
951 **Referral to local substance abuse authority or program.**

952 (1) (a) As used in this section:

953 (i) "Local substance abuse authority" has the same meaning as provided in Section
954 [62A-15-102](#).

955 (ii) "Substance abuse program" means any substance abuse program licensed by the
956 Department of Human Services or the Department of Health and approved by the local
957 substance abuse authority.

958 (b) Calculations of blood, breath, or urine alcohol concentration under this section shall
959 be made in accordance with the procedures in Subsection [41-6a-502](#)(1).

960 (2) (a) A person younger than 21 years of age may not operate or be in actual physical
961 control of a vehicle or motorboat with any measurable blood, breath, or urine alcohol
962 concentration in the person's body as shown by a chemical test.

963 (b) A person who violates Subsection (2)(a), in addition to any other applicable
964 penalties arising out of the incident, shall have the person's operator license denied or
965 suspended as provided in Subsection (7).

966 (3) (a) When a peace officer has reasonable grounds to believe that a person may be
967 violating or has violated Subsection (2), the peace officer may, in connection with arresting the
968 person for a violation of Section [32B-4-409](#), request that the person submit to a chemical test
969 or tests to be administered in compliance with the standards under Section [41-6a-520](#).

970 (b) The peace officer shall advise a person prior to the person's submission to a
971 chemical test that a test result indicating a violation of Subsection (2)(a) will result in denial or
972 suspension of the person's license to operate a motor vehicle or a refusal to issue a license.

973 (c) If the person submits to a chemical test and the test results indicate a blood, breath,

974 or urine alcohol content in violation of Subsection (2)(a), or if a peace officer makes a
975 determination, based on reasonable grounds, that the person is otherwise in violation of
976 Subsection (2)(a), a peace officer shall, on behalf of the division and within 24 hours of the
977 arrest, give notice of the division's intention to deny or suspend the person's license to operate a
978 vehicle or refusal to issue a license under this section.

979 (4) When a peace officer gives notice on behalf of the division, the peace officer shall
980 supply to the operator, in a manner specified by the division, basic information regarding how
981 to obtain a prompt hearing before the division.

982 (5) As a matter of procedure, a peace officer shall send to the division within 10
983 calendar days after the day on which notice is provided:

- 984 (a) a copy of the citation issued for the offense;
- 985 (b) a signed report in a manner specified by the Driver License Division indicating the
986 chemical test results, if any; and
- 987 (c) any other basis for a peace officer's determination that the person has violated
988 Subsection (2).

989 (6) (a) (i) Upon request in a manner specified by the division, the Driver License
990 Division shall grant to the person an opportunity to be heard within 29 days after the date of
991 arrest under Section [32B-4-409](#).

992 (ii) The request shall be made within 10 calendar days of the day on which notice is
993 provided.

994 (b) (i) Except as provided in Subsection (6)(b)(ii), a hearing, if held, shall be before the
995 division in:

- 996 (A) the county in which the arrest occurred; or
- 997 (B) a county that is adjacent to the county in which the arrest occurred.

998 (ii) The division may hold a hearing in some other county if the division and the person
999 both agree.

1000 (c) The hearing shall be documented and shall cover the issues of:

1001 (i) whether a peace officer had reasonable grounds to believe the person was operating
1002 a motor vehicle or motorboat in violation of Subsection (2)(a);

1003 (ii) whether the person refused to submit to the test; and

1004 (iii) the test results, if any.

1005 (d) In connection with a hearing, the division or its authorized agent may administer
1006 oaths and may issue subpoenas for the attendance of witnesses and the production of relevant
1007 books and papers and records as defined in Section 46-4-102.

1008 (e) One or more members of the division may conduct the hearing.

1009 (f) Any decision made after a hearing before any number of the members of the
1010 division is as valid as if made after a hearing before the full membership of the division.

1011 (7) If, after a hearing, the division determines that a peace officer had reasonable
1012 grounds to believe that the person was driving a motor vehicle in violation of Subsection (2)(a),
1013 if the person fails to appear before the division as required in the notice, or if the person does
1014 not request a hearing under this section, the division shall for a person under 21 years of age on
1015 the date of arrest:

1016 (a) deny the person's license until the person complies with Subsection ~~[(11)]~~ (10)(b)(i)
1017 but for a period of not less than six months beginning on the 45th day after the date of arrest for
1018 a first offense under Subsection (2)(a) ~~[committed on or after May 14, 2013];~~

1019 (b) suspend the person's license until the person complies with Subsection ~~[(11)]~~
1020 (10)(b)(i) and until the person is 21 years of age or for a period of two years, whichever is
1021 longer, beginning on the 45th day after the date of arrest for a second or subsequent offense
1022 under Subsection (2)(a) ~~[committed on or after July 1, 2009, and]~~ within 10 years of a prior
1023 denial or suspension;

1024 (c) deny the person's application for a license or learner's permit until the person
1025 complies with Subsection ~~[(11)]~~ (10)(b)(i) but for a period of not less than six months
1026 beginning on the 45th day after the date of the arrest, if:

1027 (i) the person has not been issued an operator license; and

1028 (ii) the suspension is for a first offense under Subsection (2)(a) [~~committed on or after~~
1029 ~~July 1, 2009~~];

1030 (d) deny the person's application for a license or learner's permit until the person
1031 complies with Subsection [~~(11)~~] (10)(b)(i) and until the person is 21 years of age or for a period
1032 of two years, whichever is longer, beginning on the 45th day after the date of the arrest, if:

1033 (i) the person has not been issued an operator license; and

1034 (ii) the suspension is for a second or subsequent offense under Subsection (2)(a)
1035 committed [~~on or after July 1, 2009, and~~] within 10 years of a prior denial or suspension[~~or~~].
1036 [~~(e) deny or suspend a person's license for the denial and suspension periods in effect:~~]
1037 [~~(i) prior to July 1, 2009, for a violation under Subsection (2)(a) that was committed~~
1038 ~~prior to July 1, 2009;~~]
1039 [~~(ii) from July 1, 2009, through June 30, 2011, if the person was 20 years 6 months of~~
1040 ~~age or older but under 21 years of age at the time of arrest and the conviction under Subsection~~
1041 ~~(2) is for an offense that was committed on or after July 1, 2009, and prior to July 1, 2011; or~~
1042 [~~(iii) prior to May 14, 2013, for a violation under Subsection (2)(a) that was committed~~
1043 ~~prior to May 14, 2013.~~]

1044 [(8)(a) ~~Notwithstanding the provisions in Subsection (7)(e)(iii), the division shall~~
1045 ~~shorten a person's one-year license suspension or denial period that is currently in effect to a~~
1046 ~~six-month suspension or denial period if:~~]
1047 [(i) ~~the driver was under the age of 19 at the time of arrest;~~]
1048 [(ii) ~~the offense was a first offense that was committed prior to May 14, 2013; and~~]
1049 [(iii) ~~the suspension or denial under Subsection (7)(e)(iii) was based on the same~~
1050 ~~occurrence upon which the following written verifications are based:~~]
1051 [(A) ~~a court order shortening the driver license suspension for a violation of Section~~
1052 ~~41-6a-502 pursuant to Subsection 41-6a-509(8);~~]
1053 [(B) ~~a court order shortening the driver license suspension for a violation of Section~~
1054 ~~41-6a-517 pursuant to Subsection 41-6a-517(11);~~]

1055 [~~(C)~~] a court order shortening the driver license suspension for a violation of Section
1056 ~~32B-4-409~~;

1057 [~~(D)~~] a dismissal for a violation of Section ~~41-6a-502~~, Section ~~41-6a-517~~, or Section
1058 ~~32B-4-409~~;

1059 [~~(E)~~] a notice of declination to prosecute for a charge under Section ~~41-6a-502~~, Section
1060 ~~41-6a-517~~, or Section ~~32B-4-409~~;

1061 [~~(F)~~] a reduction of a charge under Section ~~41-6a-502~~, Section ~~41-6a-517~~, or Section
1062 ~~32B-4-409~~; or]

1063 [~~(G)~~] other written documentation acceptable to the division.]

1064 [~~(b)~~] In accordance with Title 63G, Chapter 3, Utah Administrative Rulemaking Act,
1065 the division may make rules establishing requirements for acceptable documentation to shorten
1066 a person's driver license suspension or denial period under this Subsection (8).]

1067 [~~(c)~~] If a person's license sanction is shortened under this Subsection (8), the person is
1068 required to pay the license reinstatement fees under Subsections ~~53-3-105~~(24) and (25).]

1069 [~~(9)~~] (8) (a) (i) Following denial or suspension the division shall assess against a
1070 person, in addition to any fee imposed under Subsection ~~53-3-205~~(12), a fee under Section
1071 ~~53-3-105~~, which shall be paid before the person's driving privilege is reinstated, to cover
1072 administrative costs.

1073 (ii) This fee shall be canceled if the person obtains an unappealed division hearing or
1074 court decision that the suspension was not proper.

1075 (b) A person whose operator license has been denied, suspended, or postponed by the
1076 division under this section following an administrative hearing may file a petition within 30
1077 days after the suspension for a hearing on the matter which, if held, is governed by Section
1078 ~~53-3-224~~.

1079 [~~(10)~~] (9) After reinstatement of an operator license for a first offense under this
1080 section, a report authorized under Section ~~53-3-104~~ may not contain evidence of the denial or
1081 suspension of the person's operator license under this section if the person has not been

1082 convicted of any other offense for which the denial or suspension may be extended.

1083 ~~[(11)]~~ (10) (a) In addition to the penalties in Subsection ~~[(9)]~~ (8), a person who violates
1084 Subsection (2)(a) shall:

1085 (i) obtain an assessment and recommendation for appropriate action from a substance
1086 abuse program, but any associated costs shall be the person's responsibility; or

1087 (ii) be referred by the division to the local substance abuse authority for an assessment
1088 and recommendation for appropriate action.

1089 (b) (i) Reinstatement of the person's operator license or the right to obtain an operator
1090 license within five years of the effective date of the license sanction under Subsection (7) is
1091 contingent upon successful completion of the action recommended by the local substance
1092 abuse authority or the substance abuse program.

1093 (ii) The local substance abuse authority's or the substance abuse program's
1094 recommended action shall be determined by an assessment of the person's alcohol abuse and
1095 may include:

1096 (A) a targeted education and prevention program;

1097 (B) an early intervention program; or

1098 (C) a substance abuse treatment program.

1099 (iii) Successful completion of the recommended action shall be determined by
1100 standards established by the Division of Substance Abuse and Mental Health.

1101 (c) At the conclusion of the penalty period imposed under Subsection (2), the local
1102 substance abuse authority or the substance abuse program shall notify the division of the
1103 person's status regarding completion of the recommended action.

1104 (d) The local substance abuse authorities and the substance abuse programs shall
1105 cooperate with the division in:

1106 (i) conducting the assessments;

1107 (ii) making appropriate recommendations for action; and

1108 (iii) notifying the division about the person's status regarding completion of the

1109 recommended action.

1110 (e) (i) The local substance abuse authority is responsible for the cost of the assessment
1111 of the person's alcohol abuse, if the assessment is conducted by the local substance abuse
1112 authority.

1113 (ii) The local substance abuse authority or a substance abuse program selected by a
1114 person is responsible for:

1115 (A) conducting an assessment of the person's alcohol abuse; and

1116 (B) for making a referral to an appropriate program on the basis of the findings of the
1117 assessment.

1118 (iii) (A) The person who violated Subsection (2)(a) is responsible for all costs and fees
1119 associated with the recommended program to which the person selected or is referred.

1120 (B) The costs and fees under Subsection ~~[(+)]~~ (10)(e)(iii)(A) shall be based on a
1121 sliding scale consistent with the local substance abuse authority's policies and practices
1122 regarding fees for services or determined by the substance abuse program.

1123 Section 12. Section **77-40-105 (Effective 05/01/20)** is amended to read:

1124 **77-40-105 (Effective 05/01/20). Requirements to apply for a certificate of**
1125 **eligibility to expunge conviction.**

1126 (1) An individual convicted of an offense may apply to the bureau for a certificate of
1127 eligibility to expunge the record of conviction as provided in this section.

1128 (2) An individual is not eligible to receive a certificate of eligibility from the bureau if:

1129 (a) the conviction for which expungement is sought is:

1130 (i) a capital felony;

1131 (ii) a first degree felony;

1132 (iii) a violent felony as defined in Subsection 76-3-203.5(1)(c)(i);

1133 (iv) felony automobile homicide;

1134 (v) a felony ~~[violation of]~~ conviction described in Subsection 41-6a-501(2);

1135 (vi) a registerable sex offense as defined in Subsection 77-41-102(17); or

1136 (vii) a registerable child abuse offense as defined in Subsection 77-43-102(2);
1137 (b) a criminal proceeding is pending against the petitioner; or
1138 (c) the petitioner intentionally or knowingly provides false or misleading information
1139 on the application for a certificate of eligibility.

1140 (3) A petitioner seeking to obtain expungement for a record of conviction is not
1141 eligible to receive a certificate of eligibility from the bureau until all of the following have
1142 occurred:

1143 (a) the petitioner has paid in full all fines and interest ordered by the court related to the
1144 conviction for which expungement is sought;

1145 (b) the petitioner has paid in full all restitution ordered by the court pursuant to Section
1146 77-38a-302, or by the Board of Pardons and Parole pursuant to Section 77-27-6; and

1147 (c) the following time periods have elapsed from the date the petitioner was convicted
1148 or released from incarceration, parole, or probation, whichever occurred last, for each
1149 conviction the petitioner seeks to expunge:

1150 (i) 10 years in the case of a misdemeanor conviction of Subsection 41-6a-501(2) or a
1151 felony conviction of Subsection 58-37-8(2)(g);

1152 (ii) seven years in the case of a felony;

1153 (iii) five years in the case of any class A misdemeanor or a felony drug possession
1154 offense;

1155 (iv) four years in the case of a class B misdemeanor; or

1156 (v) three years in the case of any other misdemeanor or infraction.

1157 (4) The bureau may not count pending or previous infractions, traffic offenses, or
1158 minor regulatory offenses, or fines or fees arising from the infractions, traffic offenses, or
1159 minor regulatory offenses, when determining expungement eligibility.

1160 (5) The bureau may not issue a certificate of eligibility if, at the time the petitioner
1161 seeks a certificate of eligibility, the bureau determines that the petitioner's criminal history,
1162 including previously expunged convictions, contains any of the following, except as provided

1163 in Subsection (8):

1164 (a) two or more felony convictions other than for drug possession offenses, each of
1165 which is contained in a separate criminal episode;

1166 (b) any combination of three or more convictions other than for drug possession
1167 offenses that include two class A misdemeanor convictions, each of which is contained in a
1168 separate criminal episode;

1169 (c) any combination of four or more convictions other than for drug possession
1170 offenses that include three class B misdemeanor convictions, each of which is contained in a
1171 separate criminal episode; or

1172 (d) five or more convictions other than for drug possession offenses of any degree
1173 whether misdemeanor or felony, each of which is contained in a separate criminal episode.

1174 (6) The bureau may not issue a certificate of eligibility if, at the time the petitioner
1175 seeks a certificate of eligibility, the bureau determines that the petitioner's criminal history,
1176 including previously expunged convictions, contains any of the following:

1177 (a) three or more felony convictions for drug possession offenses, each of which is
1178 contained in a separate criminal episode; or

1179 (b) any combination of five or more convictions for drug possession offenses, each of
1180 which is contained in a separate criminal episode.

1181 (7) If the petitioner's criminal history contains convictions for both a drug possession
1182 offense and a non drug possession offense arising from the same criminal episode, that criminal
1183 episode shall be counted as provided in Subsection (5) if any non drug possession offense in
1184 that episode:

1185 (a) is a felony or class A misdemeanor; or

1186 (b) has the same or a longer waiting period under Subsection (3) than any drug
1187 possession offense in that episode.

1188 (8) If at least 10 years have elapsed from the date the petitioner was convicted or
1189 released from incarceration, parole, or probation, whichever occurred last, for all convictions,

1190 then each eligibility limit defined in Subsection (5) shall be increased by one.

1191 (9) If, prior to May 14, 2013, the petitioner has received a pardon from the Utah Board
1192 of Pardons and Parole, the petitioner is entitled to an expungement order for all pardoned
1193 crimes pursuant to Section [77-27-5.1](#).

1194 Section 13. **Effective date.**

1195 This bill takes effect on July 1, 2020.

TAB 2B

HB0213 – Consent Language Amendments

NOTES: HB0213 (<https://le.utah.gov/~2020/bills/static/HB0213.html>) makes two clarifications to the definition of “consent” as it relates to sexual offenses:

- the bill expands current code so that a sexual act is “without the consent of the victim” if the actor knows the victim is participating because the victim erroneously believes that the actor is someone else (lines 62-63). Previously this was limited to an erroneous belief that the actor was the victim’s spouse; and
- the bill makes clear that prior consent does not necessarily mean consent has been given for any other sexual act and that consent can be withdrawn through words or conduct at any time before or during sexual activity (lines 79-81).

CR1615 is the current MUJI instruction that addresses circumstances that are without the victim’s consent. The seventh option in CR1615 needs to be revised to reflect the first bullet point above. The committee should consider whether the second bullet point above should be incorporated into the instruction.

This bill is effective on May 12, 2020.

29 osteopathic physician, physician assistant, nurse, dentist, physical therapist, chiropractor,
30 mental health therapist, social service worker, clinical social worker, certified social worker,
31 marriage and family therapist, professional counselor, psychiatrist, psychologist, psychiatric
32 mental health nurse specialist, or substance abuse counselor.

33 (b) "Religious counselor" means a minister, priest, rabbi, bishop, or other recognized
34 member of the clergy.

35 (c) "To retaliate" includes threats of physical force, kidnapping, or extortion.

36 (2) An act of sexual intercourse, rape, attempted rape, rape of a child, attempted rape of
37 a child, object rape, attempted object rape, object rape of a child, attempted object rape of a
38 child, forcible sodomy, attempted forcible sodomy, sodomy on a child, attempted sodomy on a
39 child, forcible sexual abuse, attempted forcible sexual abuse, sexual abuse of a child, attempted
40 sexual abuse of a child, aggravated sexual abuse of a child, attempted aggravated sexual abuse
41 of a child, or simple sexual abuse is without consent of the victim under any of the following
42 circumstances:

43 (a) the victim expresses lack of consent through words or conduct;

44 (b) the actor overcomes the victim through the actual application of physical force or
45 violence;

46 (c) the actor is able to overcome the victim through concealment or by the element of
47 surprise;

48 (d) (i) the actor coerces the victim to submit by threatening to retaliate in the
49 immediate future against the victim or any other person, and the victim perceives at the time
50 that the actor has the ability to execute this threat; or

51 (ii) the actor coerces the victim to submit by threatening to retaliate in the future
52 against the victim or any other person, and the victim believes at the time that the actor has the
53 ability to execute this threat;

54 (e) the actor knows the victim is unconscious, unaware that the act is occurring, or is
55 physically unable to resist;

56 (f) the actor knows or reasonably should know that the victim has a mental disease or
57 defect, which renders the victim unable to:

58 (i) appraise the nature of the act;

59 (ii) resist the act;

60 (iii) understand the possible consequences to the victim's health or safety; or

61 (iv) appraise the nature of the relationship between the actor and the victim;

62 (g) the actor knows that the victim [~~submits or~~] participates because the victim
63 erroneously believes that the actor is [~~the victim's spouse~~] someone else;

64 (h) the actor intentionally impaired the power of the victim to appraise or control his or
65 her conduct by administering any substance without the victim's knowledge;

66 (i) the victim is younger than 14 years of age;

67 (j) the victim is younger than 18 years of age and at the time of the offense the actor
68 was the victim's parent, stepparent, adoptive parent, or legal guardian or occupied a position of
69 special trust in relation to the victim as defined in Section [76-5-404.1](#);

70 (k) the victim is 14 years of age or older, but younger than 18 years of age, and the
71 actor is more than three years older than the victim and entices or coerces the victim to submit
72 or participate, under circumstances not amounting to the force or threat required under
73 Subsection (2)(b) or (d); or

74 (l) the actor is a health professional or religious counselor, the act is committed under
75 the guise of providing professional diagnosis, counseling, or treatment, and at the time of the
76 act the victim reasonably believed that the act was for medically or professionally appropriate
77 diagnosis, counseling, or treatment to the extent that resistance by the victim could not
78 reasonably be expected to have been manifested.

79 (3) Consent to any sexual act or prior consensual activity between or with any party
80 does not necessarily constitute consent to any other sexual act. Consent may be initially given
81 but may be withdrawn through words or conduct at any time prior to or during sexual activity.

TAB 2C

SB0210 – Body Camera Amendments

NOTES: SB0210 (<https://le.utah.gov/~2020/bills/static/SB0210.html>) provides statutory guidance regarding the appropriate court response when a law enforcement officer violates a body worn camera policy. In particular, the bill:

- provides that an “adverse inference instruction” may be provided to the jury if the defendant establishes by a preponderance that: 1) the officer intentionally, or with reckless disregard for the law, failed to comply with the law; and 2) that failure is “reasonably likely to affect the outcome of the defendant’s trial” (lines 93-104); and
- provides factors that the court shall consider in determining whether to provide an adverse inference instruction (lines 105-117).

The Supreme Court Advisory Committee on the Rules of Criminal Procedure has this bill on its radar for possible changes to Rule 19 of the Utah Rules of Criminal Procedure.

The committee should consider whether an adverse inference instruction should be included in MUJI.

This bill is effective on May 12, 2020.

BODY CAMERA AMENDMENTS

2020 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Daniel McCay

House Sponsor: Lee B. Perry

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill modifies provisions related to law enforcement use of body-worn cameras.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ modifies the list of circumstances in which an officer may deactivate a body-worn camera;
- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ requires a police officer to document reasons why the officer failed to comply with requirements related to body-worn cameras; and
- ▶ allows a presiding judge to provide an adverse inference instruction to a jury of a criminal trial if an officer failed to comply with requirements related to body-worn cameras, under specified circumstances.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

AMENDS:

[77-7a-104](#), as last amended by Laws of Utah 2018, Chapters 285 and 316

ENACTS:

[77-7a-104.1](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **77-7a-104** is amended to read:

77-7a-104. Activation and use of body-worn cameras.

(1) An officer using a body-worn camera shall verify that the equipment is properly functioning as is reasonably within the officer's ability.

(2) An officer shall report any malfunctioning equipment to the officer's supervisor if:

(a) the body-worn camera issued to the officer is not functioning properly upon initial inspection; or

(b) an officer determines that the officer's body-worn camera is not functioning properly at any time while the officer is on duty.

(3) An officer shall wear the body-worn camera so that it is clearly visible to the person being recorded.

(4) An officer shall activate the body-worn camera prior to any law enforcement encounter, or as soon as reasonably possible.

(5) An officer shall record in an uninterrupted manner until after the conclusion of a law enforcement encounter, except as an interruption of a recording is allowed under this section.

(6) When going on duty and off duty, an officer who is issued a body-worn camera shall record the officer's name, identification number, and the current time and date, unless the information is already available due to the functionality of the body-worn camera.

(7) If a body-worn camera was present during a law enforcement encounter, the officer shall document the presence of the body-worn camera in any report or other official record of a contact.

(8) When a body-worn camera has been activated, the officer may not deactivate the body-worn camera until the officer's direct participation in the law enforcement encounter is complete, except as provided in Subsection (9).

- 56 (9) An officer may deactivate a body-worn camera:
- 57 (a) to consult with a supervisor or another officer;
- 58 (b) during a significant period of inactivity; ~~and~~
- 59 (c) during a conversation with a sensitive victim of crime, a witness of a crime, or an
- 60 individual who wishes to report or discuss criminal activity if:
- 61 (i) the individual who is the subject of the recording requests that the officer deactivate
- 62 the officer's body-worn camera; and
- 63 (ii) the officer believes that the value of the information outweighs the value of the
- 64 potential recording and records the request by the individual to deactivate the body-worn
- 65 camera[-]; or
- 66 (d) during a conversation with a victim of a sexual offense, as described in Title 76,
- 67 Chapter 5, Part 4, Sexual Offenses, or domestic violence, as defined in Section 77-36-1, if:
- 68 (i) the officer is conducting an evidence-based lethality assessment;
- 69 (ii) the victim or the officer believes that deactivating the body-worn camera recording:
- 70 (A) will encourage complete and accurate information sharing by the victim; or
- 71 (B) is necessary to protect the safety or identity of the victim; and
- 72 (iii) the officer's body-worn camera is reactivated as soon as reasonably possible after
- 73 the evidence-based lethality assessment is complete.
- 74 (10) If an officer deactivates or fails to activate a body-worn camera in violation of this
- 75 section, the officer shall document the reason for deactivating or for failing to activate a
- 76 body-worn camera in a written report.
- 77 (11) (a) For purposes of this Subsection (11):
- 78 (i) "Health care facility" means the same as that term is defined in Section 78B-3-403.
- 79 (ii) "Health care provider" means the same as that term is defined in Section
- 80 78B-3-403.
- 81 (iii) "Hospital" means the same as that term is defined in Section 78B-3-403.
- 82 (iv) "Human service program" means the same as that term is defined in Section

83 62A-2-101.

84 (b) An officer may not activate a body-worn camera in a hospital, health care facility,
85 human service program, or the clinic of a health care provider, except during a law
86 enforcement encounter, and with notice under Section 77-7a-105.

87 (12) A violation of this section may not serve as the sole basis to dismiss a criminal
88 case or charge.

89 (13) Nothing in this section precludes a law enforcement agency from establishing
90 internal agency policies for an officer's failure to comply with the requirements of this section.

91 Section 2. Section 77-7a-104.1 is enacted to read:

92 **77-7a-104.1. Adverse inference jury instruction.**

93 (1) As used in this section, "adverse inference instruction" means an instruction that:

94 (a) is provided to a jury in accordance with Utah Rules of Criminal Procedure, Rule 19;

95 and

96 (b) directs the jury that an officer's failure to comply with a requirement of Section
97 77-7a-104 may give rise to an adverse inference against the officer.

98 (2) (a) A court presiding over a jury trial may provide an adverse inference instruction
99 if the defendant seeking the adverse inference instruction establishes by a preponderance of the
100 evidence that:

101 (i) an officer intentionally or, with reckless disregard of a requirement of Section
102 77-7a-104, failed to comply with a requirement of Section 77-7a-104; and

103 (ii) the officer's failure to comply with the requirement of Section 77-7a-104 is
104 reasonably likely to affect the outcome of the defendant's trial.

105 (b) In considering whether to include an adverse inference instruction under Subsection
106 (2)(a), the court shall consider:

107 (i) the degree of prejudice to the defendant as a result of the officer's failure to comply
108 with Section 77-7a-104;

109 (ii) the materiality and importance of the missing evidence in relation to the case as a

110 whole;

111 (iii) the strength of the remaining evidence;

112 (iv) the degree of fault on behalf of the officer described in Subsection (2)(a)(i) or the
113 law enforcement agency employing the officer, including whether evidence supports that the
114 officer or the law enforcement agency displays a pattern of intentional or reckless disregard of
115 the requirements of Section [77-7a-104](#); and

116 (v) other considerations the court determines are relevant to ensure just adjudication
117 and due process.

118 (c) If a court includes an adverse inference instruction, the prosecutor shall, after the
119 conclusion of the trial, send written notice of the instruction to the law enforcement agency that
120 employed the officer described in Subsection (2)(a)(i) at the time of the offense, including:

121 (i) the written order or a description of the order allowing for the instruction;

122 (ii) the language of the instruction; and

123 (iii) the outcome of the trial.

TAB 2D

SB0238 – Battered Person Mitigation

NOTES: SB0238 (<https://le.utah.gov/~2020/bills/static/SB0238.html>) creates a new type of mitigation. This bill provides a mechanism for a cohabitant defendant to prove mitigation under the following circumstances (lines 34-40):

- 1) the defendant’s crime was not legally justified (i.e., self-defense, etc.); and
- 2) the defendant committed the crime against a cohabitant who had demonstrated “a pattern of abuse” against the defendant or another cohabitant; and
- 3) the defendant “reasonably believed” the crime was necessary to end the pattern of abuse.

The “reasonable belief” is determined from the viewpoint of a reasonable person in the defendant’s circumstances, as the defendant’s circumstances are perceived by the defendant (lines 41-43).

The defendant bears the burden of proof for proving mitigation by clear and convincing evidence (lines 44-46).

Mitigation would result in a one-step reduction in level of offense (lines 47-48).

If the case is tried to a jury, the jury must unanimously agree that the defendant has proven the defendant is entitled to mitigation. This requires the jury to return a special verdict for the reduced charge at the same time the general verdict is returned (i.e., no bifurcation) (lines 49-54). Lack of jury unanimity on mitigation does not result in a hung jury (lines 55-56).

The defendant is required to provide notice to the prosecuting attorney at least 30 days before trial if the defendant intends to claim mitigation (lines 57-59).

The committee should consider whether to create a MUJI instruction / special verdict form.

This bill is effective on May 12, 2020.

BATTERED PERSON MITIGATION AMENDMENTS

2020 GENERAL SESSION

STATE OF UTAH

Chief Sponsor: Daniel W. Thatcher

House Sponsor: V. Lowry Snow

LONG TITLE

General Description:

This bill provides for mitigation of certain criminal charges related to cohabitant abuse.

Highlighted Provisions:

This bill:

- ▶ defines terms;
- ▶ provides for an offense reduction for an individual convicted of an offense if the individual committed the offense as a result of cohabitant abuse; and
- ▶ provides procedures for proving and finding an individual is entitled to the offense reduction in court.

Money Appropriated in this Bill:

None

Other Special Clauses:

None

Utah Code Sections Affected:

ENACTS:

[76-2-409](#), Utah Code Annotated 1953

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

Section 1. Section **76-2-409** is enacted to read:

76-2-409. Battered person mitigation.

(1) As used in this section:

(a) "Abuse" means the same as that term is defined in Section [78B-7-102](#).

- 30 (b) "Cohabitant" means:
31 (i) the same as that term is defined in Section 78B-7-102; or
32 (ii) the relationship of a minor and a natural parent, an adoptive parent, a stepparent, or
33 an individual living with the minor's natural parent as if a stepparent to the minor.
34 (2) (a) An individual is entitled to battered person mitigation if:
35 (i) the individual committed a criminal offense that was not legally justified;
36 (ii) the individual committed the criminal offense against a cohabitant who
37 demonstrated a pattern of abuse against the individual or another cohabitant of the individual;
38 and
39 (iii) the individual reasonably believed that the criminal offense was necessary to end
40 the pattern of abuse.
41 (b) A reasonable belief under Subsection (2)(a) is determined from the viewpoint of a
42 reasonable person in the individual's circumstances, as the individual's circumstances are
43 perceived by the individual.
44 (3) An individual claiming mitigation under Subsection (2)(a) has the burden of
45 proving, by clear and convincing evidence, each element that would entitle the individual to
46 mitigation under Subsection (2)(a).
47 (4) Mitigation under Subsection (2)(a) results in a one-step reduction of the level of
48 offense of which the individual is convicted.
49 (5) (a) If the trier of fact is a jury, an individual is not entitled to mitigation under
50 Subsection (2)(a) unless the jury:
51 (i) finds the individual proved, in accordance with Subsection (3), that the individual is
52 entitled to mitigation by unanimous vote; and
53 (ii) returns a special verdict for the reduced charge at the same time the jury returns the
54 general verdict.
55 (b) A nonunanimous vote by the jury on the question of mitigation under Subsection
56 (2)(a) does not result in a hung jury.
57 (6) An individual intending to claim mitigation under Subsection (2)(a) at the

58 individual's trial shall give notice of the individual's intent to claim mitigation under
59 Subsection (2)(a) to the prosecuting agency at least 30 days before the individual's trial.

TAB 3

Jury Unanimity Instructions / *State v. Aires*

NOTES: At the January and February 2020 meetings, the committee discussed the decision in *State v. Aires*. The committee has not yet settled on the appropriate path forward. Attached is the outline of possible options for instructions (prepared by Ms. Klucznik and Ms. Nelson – and discussed at the last meeting).

Unanimity when multiple acts are offered to support one offense and each of those acts could have been charged separately:

- (Defendant) is charged [in Count ____] with [crime] [on or about ____] . The State has presented evidence of more than one act to prove that (Defendant) committed this offense. You must not find (Defendant) guilty unless you unanimously find beyond a reasonable doubt that the State has proved that (Defendant) committed at least one of these acts and you all agree on which act or acts he/she committed.

OR

- (Defendant) is charged [in Count ____] with [crime] [on or about ____] . The State has presented evidence of more than one act to prove that (Defendant) committed this offense. To find (Defendant) guilty, you must unanimously find beyond a reasonable doubt that (Defendant) committed at least one of these acts under the circumstances and with the mental state required for the crime and you all agree on which act or acts he/she committed.

QUESTION - What do we do if Defendant is charged with a sex crime based on specific touching but the prosecutor wants to include the "indecent liberties" alternative of guilt?

Unanimity when multiple acts are offered to support multiple offenses:

- (Defendant) is charged with multiple counts of _____. Each count addresses a distinct occurrence of a distinct act. To find (Defendant) guilty on any count, you must all agree on the distinct act that applies to that count. You must further unanimously find beyond a reasonable doubt that (Defendant) committed that act under the circumstances and with the mental state required for the crime.

QUESTION - What do we do if Defendant is charged with sex crimes based on specific touchings but the prosecutor wants to include a single "indecent liberties" alternative of guilt?

Unanimity when multiple acts or mental states (theories) support one offense and the acts/mental states could not have been charged separately (this is the murder by strangulation or poison example):

- (Defendant) is charged with [crime]. The elements of [crime] are defined in Instruction [Number]. To convict (Defendant) of [crime], you must all agree beyond a reasonable doubt that the State has proved each and every element of the crime. However, [crime] can be committed in alternative ways, and you do not have to unanimously agree on the way (Defendant) committed the crime. Similarly, although you must unanimously find beyond a reasonable doubt that (Defendant) acted with one of the mental states defined in the elements instruction, you do not have to all agree on the mental state (Defendant) acted with.

QUESTION - What do we do if Defendant is charged with an attempted crime that falls under this category (like murder, where each attempt arguably could be charged separately)?

THE UTAH COURT OF APPEALS

STATE OF UTAH,
Appellee,

v.

PHILBERT EUGENE ALIRES,
Appellant.

Opinion

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JUDGES MICHELE M. CHRISTIANSEN FORSTER and JILL M. POHLMAN
concurred.

HAGEN, Judge:

¶1 Philbert Eugene Alires was charged with six counts of aggravated sexual abuse of a child—two counts for conduct toward his youngest daughter and four counts for conduct toward one of his daughter’s friends (the friend). A jury convicted Alires on two counts, one for each alleged victim, and acquitted him of the remaining four counts. We agree with Alires that his trial counsel was constitutionally ineffective in failing to request an instruction requiring the jury to reach a unanimous verdict with respect to each act for which he was convicted. Accordingly, we vacate his convictions and remand for further proceedings.

BACKGROUND¹

¶2 One afternoon, Alires and his wife (the mother) hosted a party for their youngest daughter’s eleventh birthday. The daughter invited two of her guests—the friend and another friend (the other friend)—to a sleepover that night. As the evening progressed, the daughter, the friend, and the other friend joined others in the living room to play a video game called “Just Dance.”

¶3 Later that night, after everyone else had left, Alires and the mother got into a loud argument that the daughter, the friend, and the other friend overheard. The daughter appeared visibly upset and “started tearing up because her parents were fighting.” Both Alires and the mother could tell that the girls overheard and were affected by the argument.

¶4 Alires and the mother went to their bedroom and discussed how they could “try and make [the daughter] happy.” They decided that Alires would join the girls in the living room and “try to lighten the mood.” Alires testified that he can generally make the daughter happy by “wrestling” with her and her friends or other family members because it “usually ends up being a dog pile” on Alires and it “usually brings the kids together and usually changes the mood.” While Alires went to the living room, the mother stayed behind to change into her pajamas.

¶5 According to the friend, Alires went into the living room after the argument and “started trying to dance with [them]”

1. “On appeal, we review the record facts in a light most favorable to the jury’s verdict and recite the facts accordingly. We present conflicting evidence only as necessary to understand issues raised on appeal.” *State v. Reigelsperger*, 2017 UT App 101, ¶ 2 n.1, 400 P.3d 1127 (cleaned up).

and “lighten the mood” because “the fight wasn’t very fun for anybody.” While they were dancing, Alires “put his hand on [the friend’s] waist and kind of like slid it down, so [she] just sat down because [she] felt really uncomfortable.” Alires then “tried dancing with [her] again and he . . . touched around [her] butt,” though he “was kind of sneaky about it” as if he was “trying to make it look like it wasn’t happening.” On direct examination, the State asked the friend, “[H]ow does that get accomplished?” She responded, “I’m not sure. He just did it.”

¶6 Feeling uncomfortable, the friend sat down on the couch next to the daughter. Alires sat down between the two and “started tickling [the daughter].” The friend testified that, while Alires tickled the daughter, “it looked like he was touching like in her inner thigh, and like moved up to her crotch area.” According to the friend, “it was really not tickling, it was more like grabbing and groping [sic].” This lasted “probably 15 to 30 seconds.” Then, Alires turned to the friend and said, “I’m going to tickle you now.” The friend told Alires she did not feel well and said, “[P]lease don’t.” But Alires started tickling near her “ribcage and then touched [her] breast area” and then he “started tickling [her] inner thighs and did the same thing that he did to [the daughter].” The friend testified, “[H]e slid his hand up to my vagina and started like grabbing, and like groping [sic], I guess” for “[p]robably about seven to 10 seconds.”

¶7 According to the friend, when Alires got up from the couch, the daughter asked, “[D]id he touch you?” The friend said, “[Y]eah. And he touched you, because I kind of saw it.” The daughter “was like, yeah, can we just go to my room?”

¶8 According to the mother, she entered the living room about sixty seconds after Alires and told everyone that it was time to go to bed. The friend testified that it had been “probably about three minutes,” during which time Alires touched her buttocks “twice,” her breasts “twice,” and her vagina “[a]bout

four times,” in addition to touching the daughter’s thigh and vagina.

¶9 Both the daughter and the other friend testified at trial that Alires did not touch anyone inappropriately and that they were only wrestling and tickling.

¶10 A few days after the birthday party, the daughter decided to report the friend’s claim to a school counselor. The daughter went to the counselor’s office in tears and when the counselor asked her if “something happen[ed] over the weekend” she “nodded her head yes.” The daughter “wouldn’t speak to [the counselor]” but told him that she was “going to go get a friend.” The daughter then left and returned to the counselor’s office with the friend. According to the counselor, the friend told him that Alires had touched both the daughter and the friend on “[t]he lower area and the breasts,” although “they first described it as tickling . . . whatever that means.” He also testified that the daughter “agreed to where the touching happened.” At trial, the daughter testified that she told the counselor only what the friend had told her.

¶11 The State charged Alires with six counts of aggravated sexual abuse of a child without distinguishing the counts. At trial, the jury was instructed that four of those counts were for conduct perpetrated against the friend and two of those counts were for conduct perpetrated against the daughter. During closing argument, the prosecutor explained that, based on the friend’s testimony, the jury could “ascertain six counts of touching of [the friend]” and that the State was “charging four” of those touches. The prosecutor also cited the friend’s testimony that she saw Alires touch the daughter on her “inner thigh” and “on her vagina.” The prosecutor further explained that “any one of those touchings qualifies for each of the counts. One for one. One touch for one count. And . . . it has to be just on the vagina, just on the butt, or just on the breast. It can be any combination.”

¶12 Although both parties submitted proposed jury instructions, neither side asked the court to instruct the jury that it must be unanimous as to the specific act underlying each count of conviction. During its deliberations, the jury sent a question to the court asking, “Can we please have a clarification on how the counts work? We don’t understand how to weigh each count when they are all the same. Not sure what they mean.” Alires’s trial counsel still did not request a specific unanimity instruction. Instead, with consent from both parties, the court referred the jury to instructions it had already received. The jury convicted Alires on one count of aggravated sexual abuse of a child involving the friend and one count involving the daughter.

¶13 After the jury returned its verdict and prior to sentencing, Alires filed a motion to arrest judgment and for a new trial due to, among other things, “fatal errors in the jury instructions and verdict forms.” Trial counsel argued that the jury instructions were “fatally erroneous in failing to require the jury to find a unanimous verdict.” The district court denied the motion and imposed two indeterminate terms of six-years-to-life in prison to run concurrently.

¶14 Alires appeals.

ISSUE AND STANDARD OF REVIEW

¶15 Alires argues that his trial counsel was constitutionally ineffective for failing to request a jury instruction that required the jurors to unanimously agree to the specific act at issue for each count of aggravated sexual abuse of a child.² Alires further

2. Alires did not preserve the underlying jury instruction issue for appeal, because he raised it for the first time in a post-trial motion. *State v. Fullerton*, 2018 UT 49, ¶ 49 n.15, 428 P.3d 1052 (reaffirming that “an objection that could have been raised at
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argues that, due to the lack of such an instruction, we “cannot be assured the jury was unanimous” as to which specific acts formed the basis for his conviction. “When a claim of ineffective assistance of counsel is raised for the first time on appeal, there is no lower court ruling to review and we must decide whether the defendant was deprived of the effective assistance of counsel as a matter of law.” *State v. Bonds*, 2019 UT App 156, ¶ 20, 450 P.3d 120 (cleaned up).³

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trial cannot be preserved in a post-trial motion”). Therefore, he must establish one of the three exceptions to the preservation requirement: plain error, ineffective assistance of counsel, or exceptional circumstances. *See State v. Johnson*, 2017 UT 76, ¶ 19, 416 P.3d 443. In addition to arguing ineffective assistance of counsel, Aires also asks us to review this issue under plain error. But because Aires’s trial counsel proposed jury instructions that contained the same alleged infirmity, trial counsel invited the error and we are precluded from reviewing it under the plain error exception to the preservation requirement. *State v. Moa*, 2012 UT 28, ¶¶ 23–27, 282 P.3d 985 (explaining that the invited error doctrine precludes plain error review).

3. Aires also raises issues concerning the sufficiency of the evidence of sexual intent and the absence of a jury instruction defining “indecent liberties.” Because we vacate Aires’s convictions on other grounds and it is uncertain whether these issues will arise again on remand, *see infra* note 7, we do not “exercise our discretion to address those issues for purposes of providing guidance on remand.” *State v. Low*, 2008 UT 58, ¶ 61, 192 P.3d 867; *see also State v. Barela*, 2015 UT 22, ¶ 35, 349 P.3d 676 (concluding that “[w]e need not and do not reach the factual question of the sufficiency of the evidence” when reversing on the basis of ineffective assistance of counsel relating to the jury instructions).

ANALYSIS

¶16 Alires argues that his trial counsel was ineffective for failing to request an instruction requiring the jury to unanimously agree on the specific act committed for each count of conviction. “To demonstrate ineffective assistance of counsel, [a defendant] must show that his counsel’s performance was deficient and that the deficient performance prejudiced the defense.” *State v. Squires*, 2019 UT App 113, ¶ 25, 446 P.3d 581 (cleaned up); *see also Strickland v. Washington*, 466 U.S. 668, 687 (1984). We agree with Alires that his trial counsel performed deficiently and that counsel’s deficient performance prejudiced his defense.

A. Deficient Performance

¶17 To overcome the high level of deference we give to trial counsel’s performance, Alires “must show that counsel’s representation fell below an objective standard of reasonableness when measured against prevailing professional norms.” *See State v. Popp*, 2019 UT App 173, ¶ 26 (cleaned up); *see also Strickland*, 466 U.S. at 687–88. Under the circumstances of this case, it was objectively unreasonable for trial counsel to propose instructions that did not require the jury to be unanimous as to the specific acts supporting each count of conviction.

¶18 The right to a unanimous verdict in criminal cases is guaranteed by Article 1, Section 10 of the Utah Constitution (the Unanimous Verdict Clause). “The Article I, section 10 requirement that a jury be unanimous is not met if a jury unanimously finds only that a defendant is guilty of a crime.” *State v. Saunders*, 1999 UT 59, ¶ 60, 992 P.2d 951. Instead, “[t]he Unanimous Verdict Clause requires unanimity as to each count of *each distinct crime charged* by the prosecution and submitted to the jury for decision.” *State v. Hummel*, 2017 UT 19, ¶ 26, 393 P.3d 314 (emphasis in original). For example, a verdict would not be valid “if some jurors found a defendant guilty of a robbery

committed on December 25, 1990, in Salt Lake City, but other jurors found him guilty of a robbery committed January 15, 1991, in Denver, Colorado, even though all jurors found him guilty of the elements of the crime of robbery and all the jurors together agreed that he was guilty of some robbery.” *Saunders*, 1999 UT 59, ¶ 60. “These are distinct counts or separate instances of the crime of robbery, which would have to be charged as such.” *Hummel*, 2017 UT 19, ¶ 26.

¶19 The constitutional requirement that a jury must be unanimous as to distinct counts or separate instances of a particular crime “is well-established in our law.” *Id.* ¶ 30. Indeed, this requirement was applied in the closely analogous *Saunders* case in 1999. In *Saunders*, the Utah Supreme Court considered whether jurors must be unanimous as to the particular act or acts that form the basis for a sexual abuse conviction. 1999 UT 59, ¶¶ 9–11. The jury had been instructed that there was “no requirement that the jurors be unanimous about precisely which act occurred or when or where the act or acts occurred.” *Id.* ¶ 58 (cleaned up). The court held that, “notwithstanding a clear constitutional command and applicable case law, the instruction does not set out any unanimity requirement at all.” *Id.* ¶ 62. The alleged child victim had testified that at least fifteen different acts of touching occurred—some in which the defendant had been applying Desitin ointment to her buttocks and vaginal area and some in which he had not. *Id.* ¶ 5. Without a proper unanimity instruction, “some jurors could have found touchings without the use of Desitin to have been criminal; others could have found the touchings with Desitin to have been criminal; and the jurors could have completely disagreed on when the acts occurred that they found to have been illegal.”⁴ *Id.* ¶ 65. Because the

4. “[B]ecause time itself is not an element of an offense, it is not necessary that the jurors unanimously agree as to just when the criminal act occurred.” *State v. Saunders*, 1999 UT 59, ¶ 60, 992 (continued...)

“jury could have returned a guilty verdict with each juror deciding guilt on the basis of a different act by [the] defendant,” the court held that “it was manifest error under Article I, section 10 of the Utah Constitution not to give a unanimity instruction.” *Id.* ¶ 62.

¶20 Our supreme court recently reinforced these principles in *Hummel*. In that case, the court distinguished between *alternative factual theories* (or methods or modes) of committing a crime for which a jury need not be unanimous and *alternative elements* of a crime for which unanimity is required. *Hummel*, 2017 UT 19, ¶ 53. *Hummel* was charged with the crime of theft. *Id.* ¶ 1. Under Utah law, a person commits theft if he “obtains or exercises unauthorized control over the property of another with a purpose to deprive him thereof.” Utah Code Ann. § 76-6-404 (LexisNexis 2017). Subsequent sections of the Utah Code explain that a person is guilty of theft if he obtains or exercises control over the property “by deception,” *id.* § 76-6-405, or “by extortion,” *id.* § 76-6-406. But the Utah Supreme Court explained that “[t]heft by deception and theft by extortion are not and cannot logically be separate offenses.” *Hummel*, 2017 UT 19, ¶ 21. “If they were, *Hummel* could be charged in separate counts and be convicted on both.” *Id.* Because the method of obtaining or exercising control over the property is not an alternative *actus reus* element of the crime, jury unanimity at that level is not required. *Id.* ¶ 61.

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P.2d 951. “Thus, a jury can unanimously agree that a defendant was guilty of a particular act or acts that constituted a crime even though some jurors believed the crime occurred on one day while the other jurors believed it occurred on another day.” *Id.* In other words, if all jurors agree that a defendant committed a particular act, it is immaterial if some jurors think that the act occurred on a Saturday and others believe it occurred on a Monday.

¶21 In contrast to *Hummel*, where deception and extortion are merely “exemplary means” of satisfying the obtaining or exercising control element of the single crime of theft, *id.*, each unlawful touch of an enumerated body part (or each unlawful taking of indecent liberties) constitutes a separate offense of sexual abuse of a child under Utah Code section 76-5-404.1(2). This is illustrated by the fact that a defendant can be charged in separate counts and be convicted for each act that violates the statute. *See State v. Suarez*, 736 P.2d 1040, 1042 (Utah Ct. App. 1987) (holding that the defendant’s acts of placing his mouth on the victim’s breasts and then placing his hand on her vagina were “separate acts requiring proof of different elements and constitute separate offenses”). Unlike the theft statute in *Hummel*, the sexual abuse of a child statute “contains alternative *actus reus* elements by which a person could be found” guilty of sexual abuse. *See Hummel*, 2017 UT 19, ¶ 61. Those alternative elements are touching “the anus, buttocks, pubic area, or genitalia of any child, the breast of a female child, or otherwise tak[ing] indecent liberties with a child,” Utah Code Ann. § 76-5-404.1(2), each of which constitutes a distinct criminal offense.

¶22 Here, Alires was charged with six counts of aggravated sexual abuse of a child based on distinct touches prohibited by the statute. The information charged Alires with six identically-worded counts of aggravated sexual abuse of a child without distinguishing the counts by act or alleged victim. At trial, the friend testified that Alires unlawfully touched her at least six times and unlawfully touched the daughter twice. In closing, the State argued that the jury could convict Alires on four counts based on any of the six alleged touches of the friend in “any combination.” Similarly, the State did not identify which alleged touch of the daughter related to which count. Once the State failed to elect which act supported each charge, the jury should have been instructed to agree on a specific criminal act for each charge in order to convict. *See State v. Santos-Vega*, 321 P.3d 1, 18 (Kan. 2014) (holding that “either the State

must have informed the jury which act to rely upon for each charge during its deliberations or the district court must have instructed the jury to agree on the specific criminal act for each charge in order to convict”); *see also State v. Vander Houwen*, 177 P.3d 93, 99 (Wash. 2008) (en banc) (noting that “[t]o ensure jury unanimity in multiple acts cases, we require that either the State elect the particular criminal act upon which it will rely for conviction, or that the trial court instruct the jury that all of them must agree that the same underlying criminal act has been proved beyond a reasonable doubt” (cleaned up)).

¶23 Despite the State’s failure to elect which acts it relied upon for each charge, trial counsel failed to request a proper instruction. As a result, the jury was never instructed that it must unanimously agree that Alires committed the same unlawful act to convict on any given count. Without such an instruction, some jurors might have found that Alires touched the friend’s buttocks when dancing, while others might have found that he touched the friend’s breast while tickling. Or the jury might have unanimously agreed that all of the touches occurred, but some might have found that Alires had the required intent to gratify or arouse sexual desires only while trying to dance with the friend, while others might have found that he only had sexual intent when he tickled the friend. In other words, the jurors could have completely disagreed on which acts occurred or which acts were illegal. *See Saunders*, 1999 UT 59, ¶ 65. Where neither the charges nor the elements instructions link each count to a particular act, instructing the jury that it must agree as to which criminal acts occurred is critical to ensuring unanimity on each element of each crime.⁵

5. The instructions informed the jury that, “[b]ecause this is a criminal case, every single juror must agree with the verdict before the defendant can be found ‘guilty’ or ‘not guilty.’” This instruction is plainly insufficient. The constitutional requirement
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¶24 It was objectively unreasonable for Aires’s trial counsel to propose jury instructions that did not require unanimity as to the specific act that formed the basis of each count resulting in conviction. Although no prior Utah appellate decisions have applied the Unanimous Verdict Clause to a case where a defendant is charged with multiple counts of the same crime, trial counsel is not “categorically excused from failure to raise an argument not supported by existing legal precedent.” *State v. Silva*, 2019 UT 36, ¶ 19. In any event, it should have been readily apparent that, although *Saunders* involved a prosecution in which the defendant was charged with and convicted of a single count of sexual abuse that could have been based on any one of a number of separate acts, its holding applies with equal force to a case such as this where a defendant is charged with multiple counts of sexual abuse, each of which could have been based on any one of a number of separate acts.

¶25 The State suggests that a reasonable trial counsel may have had strategic reasons for not requesting a proper unanimity instruction. While it is true that “strategic choices made after thorough investigation of law and facts relevant to plausible options are virtually unchallengeable,” *Strickland v. Washington*, 466 U.S. 668, 690 (1984), here trial counsel candidly admitted that the failure to request a proper unanimity instruction was “not due to tactical reasons, but mistaken oversight.” Had trial counsel properly investigated the governing law, it would have been apparent that *Saunders* required the court to instruct the jury that it must agree on the specific criminal act for each charge in order to convict. Moreover, we disagree with the State’s theory that a reasonable defense attorney could have concluded that “further clarification would have increased the likelihood of conviction.” By failing to require juror unanimity as to each

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of unanimity “is not met if a jury unanimously finds only that the defendant is guilty of a crime.” *Saunders*, 1999 UT 59, ¶ 60.

underlying act, the instructions—coupled with the prosecutor’s closing argument—effectively lowered the State’s burden of proof. See *State v. Grunwald*, 2018 UT App 46, ¶ 42, 424 P.3d 990, (holding that “no reasonable trial strategy would justify trial counsel’s failure to object to instructions misstating the elements of accomplice liability in a way that reduced the State’s burden of proof”), *cert. granted*, 429 P.3d 460 (Utah 2018). Under these circumstances, failure to request such an instruction fell below an objective standard of reasonableness.

B. Prejudice

¶26 Having established that trial counsel performed deficiently by failing to request a proper unanimity instruction, Alires must show that he was prejudiced by that deficient performance. *Strickland*, 466 U.S. at 687. To establish prejudice, a “defendant must show that there is a reasonable probability that, but for counsel’s unprofessional errors, the result of the proceeding would have been different.” *Id.* at 694. “A reasonable probability is a probability sufficient to undermine confidence in the outcome.” *Id.* Therefore, we consider whether Alires has shown a reasonable likelihood that a juror unanimity instruction would have led to a more favorable result.⁶ See *State v. Evans*,

6. Citing *State v. Hummel*, 2017 UT 19, 393 P.3d 314, the State argues that “defendants challenging a verdict under the Unanimous Verdict Clause must affirmatively prove that the jury was not unanimous.” In *Hummel*, the court stated that “a lack of certainty in the record does not lead to a reversal and new trial; it leads to an affirmance on the ground that the appellant cannot carry his burden of proof.” *Id.* ¶ 82. But the *Hummel* court was addressing how to assess the prejudicial effect of “a superfluous jury instruction,” that is, a jury instruction that includes an alternative theory that was not supported by sufficient evidence at trial. *Id.* ¶¶ 81–84. It does not speak to the
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2001 UT 22, ¶ 16, 20 P.3d 888 (reviewing for plain error a defendant’s challenge to the trial court’s failure to provide a juror unanimity instruction and explaining that a “defendant must demonstrate . . . that the error should have been obvious to the trial court, and that the error was of such a magnitude that there is a reasonable likelihood of a more favorable outcome for the defendant”); *State v. Saunders*, 1999 UT 59, ¶¶ 57, 65, 992 P.2d 951 (same); *see also State v. McNeil*, 2016 UT 3, ¶ 29, 365 P.3d 699 (explaining that “the prejudice test is the same whether under the claim of ineffective assistance or plain error”).

¶27 To determine whether the defendant has shown a reasonable probability of a more favorable outcome, “a court hearing an ineffectiveness claim must consider the totality of the evidence before the judge or jury.” *Strickland*, 466 U.S. 668, 695. “[A] verdict or conclusion only weakly supported by the record is more likely to have been affected by errors than one with overwhelming record support.” *Id.*; *see also Saunders*, 1999 UT 59, ¶¶ 5, 13, 57, 65 (holding that “factual issues in the case”—including the “conflicting, confused,” and “obviously . . . coached” testimony of the alleged victim and the absence of other witnesses—created a reasonable likelihood that a proper unanimity instruction would have resulted in “a more favorable outcome for the defendant”).

¶28 Here, the evidence supporting Alires’s guilt was not overwhelming. The evidence was conflicting both as to which acts occurred and as to Alires’s intent. The friend testified to eight separate touchings that allegedly occurred during a sixty-second to three-minute period in full view of all three girls in the room. The friend was the only person to testify that Alires unlawfully touched her and the daughter. Both the daughter and

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standard for showing prejudice where the jury is not properly instructed on the unanimity requirement.

the other friend testified that no inappropriate touching occurred. Given the conflicting evidence, there is a reasonable probability that the jury did not unanimously agree that the same two acts occurred.

¶29 In addition, even if the jury fully accepted the friend's testimony that all eight touches occurred, the surrounding circumstances were sufficiently ambiguous that members of the jury could have easily reached different conclusions as to which acts were done with the required sexual intent. Although direct evidence of the intent to gratify or arouse a sexual desire is not required, *see In re G.D.B.*, 2019 UT App 29, ¶ 21, 440 P.3d 706, Alires, the mother, and even the friend testified that Alires went to the living room to "tickle" and "wrestle" with the girls with the intent to "lighten the mood." Given this evidence, some jurors may have found that the touches while tickling were innocent or inadvertent and that Alires had the intent to gratify or arouse sexual desires only when he slid his hand down to the friend's buttocks in a "sneaky" way while dancing. Others may have concluded touching one particular body part while tickling the friend or the daughter evidenced sexual intent, although they may have disagreed as to which body part that was. Where the evidence is so readily subject to different interpretations, "we are not persuaded that the jury would have unanimously convicted had the error not existed." *See Saunders*, 1999 UT 59, ¶ 65.

¶30 This is particularly true given the prosecutor's statements in closing argument and the jury's note expressing confusion over how to treat the various counts. The State told the jury in closing argument that any of the alleged acts against a particular victim could support any of the charges relating to that victim. Further, the elements instructions were identical for each of the six counts, with the exception of substituting the friend's initials for counts one through four and the daughter's initials for counts five and six. And during its deliberations, the jury expressed confusion over how to deal with the various counts,

asking the court, “Can we please have a clarification on how the counts work? We don’t understand how to weigh each count when they are all the same. Not sure what they mean.” The jury’s question shows that the absence of a proper unanimity instruction had a palpable impact on the jury deliberations and undermines our confidence in the jury’s verdict. *McNeil*, 2016 UT 3, ¶ 30. We therefore conclude that Alires was prejudiced by trial counsel’s failure to request a juror unanimity instruction.

CONCLUSION

¶31 We conclude that trial counsel performed deficiently when he did not request an instruction regarding juror unanimity and that this deficient performance was prejudicial to Alires’s defense. Accordingly, we vacate Alires’s convictions and remand for further proceedings.⁷

7. Ordinarily, a defendant who prevails on an ineffective assistance of counsel claim is entitled to a new trial. *See State v. Hales*, 2007 UT 14, ¶ 68, 152 P.3d 321. But where the counts of conviction cannot be distinguished from the counts on which the defendant was acquitted, a retrial may be prohibited by the Double Jeopardy Clause. *See, e.g., Dunn v. Maze*, 485 S.W.3d 735, 748–49 (Ky. 2016) (collecting state and federal cases holding that a mixed verdict on identically-worded counts forecloses a retrial). We express no opinion on the merits of the double-jeopardy issue, which will not be ripe unless and until the State seeks a retrial.

TAB 4A

Revisit DUI Elements Instructions in light of HB0139

NOTES: In light of HB0139, the committee should consider whether the following elements instructions should be amended to reflect the “strict liability” clarification in the bill (line 164):

CR1003 (MB DUI)

CR1004 (MA DUI)

CR1005 (F3 DUI)

In addition, CR1004 and SVF1000 should be revised to include the new avenue for arriving at an MA DUI: driving the wrong way on a divided highway (line 177).

CR1003 Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol, Drugs, or Combination.

(DEFENDANT'S NAME) is charged [in Count ____] with committing Driving Under the Influence of [Alcohol][Any Drug][the Combined Influence of Alcohol and Any Drug] [on or about (DATE)]. You cannot convict [him] [her] of this offense unless, based on the evidence, you find beyond a reasonable doubt each of the following elements:

1. (DEFENDANT'S NAME) intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly
 - a. operated a vehicle; or
 - b. was in actual physical control of a vehicle; and
2. (DEFENDANT'S NAME):
 - a. [had sufficient alcohol in [his][her] body that a subsequent chemical test showed that [he][she] had a blood or breath alcohol concentration of [.05][.08] grams or greater at the time of the test;]
 - b. [was under the influence of [alcohol][any drug][the combined influence of alcohol and any drug] to a degree that rendered [him][her] incapable of safely operating a vehicle; or]
 - c. [had a blood or breath alcohol concentration of [.05][.08] grams or greater at the time of operation or actual physical control].
3. [The defense of _____ does not apply.]

After you carefully consider all the evidence in this case, if you are convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant GUILTY. On the other hand, if you are not convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant NOT GUILTY.

References

Utah Code § 41-6a-502

Utah Code § 76-2-101(2)

State v. Bird, 2015 UT 7

State v. Thompson, 2017 UT App 183

State v. Vialpando, 2004 UT App 95

Committee Notes

This instruction is intended to be used in prosecuting Class B Misdemeanor driving under the influence. For Class A Misdemeanor or Third Degree Felony driving under the influence instructions, use CR1004 or CR1005, respectively.

In the realm of DUI, courts often give instructions at the request of the parties that comment on the sufficiency, or relative quality, of evidence. These instructions are disfavored and may run afoul of the Utah Supreme Court's admonition that trial courts should not comment upon the evidence. See *State v. Pappacostas*, 407 P.2d 576 (Utah 1965); Utah R. Crim. P. 19(f); and CR1001 "Preamble to Driving Under the Influence Instructions."

It is an open question whether a mens rea is required with respect to the operation or actual physical control element of DUI. See Utah Code § 76-2-101(2) (no mental state generally required for traffic offenses) and *State v. Thompson*, 2017 UT App 183; but see *State v. Vialpando*, 2004 UT App 95, ¶ 26.

CR1004 Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol, Drugs, or Combination.

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1. (DEFENDANT'S NAME) **intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly**
 - a. operated a vehicle; or
 - b. was in actual physical control of a vehicle; and
2. (DEFENDANT'S NAME):
 - a. [had sufficient alcohol in [his][her] body that a subsequent chemical test showed that [he][she] had a blood or breath alcohol concentration of [.05][.08] grams or greater at the time of the test;]
 - b. [was under the influence of [alcohol][any drug][the combined influence of alcohol and any drug] to a degree that rendered [him][her] incapable of safely operating a vehicle; or]
 - c. [had a blood or breath alcohol concentration of [.05][.08] grams or greater at the time of operation or actual physical control][.]; and]
3. (DEFENDANT'S NAME):
 - a. [operated the vehicle in a negligent manner which was the proximate cause of bodily injury upon [VICTIM'S NAME];]
 - b. [had a passenger under 16 years of age in the vehicle at the time of the offense;]
 - c. [was 21 years of age or older and had a passenger under 18 years of age in the vehicle at the time of the offense;]
 - d. [operated a vehicle onto or from any controlled-access highway except at entrances and exits established by the appropriate highway authority;]
 - e. [operated a vehicle on a divided highway using the left-hand roadway without being directed or permitted to use another roadway by a traffic-control device or a peace officer;]
 - f. [operated a vehicle over, across, or within any dividing space, median, or barrier of a divided highway:
 - i. without authorization from a traffic-control device or a peace officer; or
 - ii. without being the operator a tow truck in response to a customer service call and the tow truck motor carrier has already received authorization from the local law enforcement agency in the jurisdiction where the vehicle to be towed is located;]
4. [The defense of _____ does not apply.]

After you carefully consider all the evidence in this case, if you are convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant GUILTY. On the other hand, if you are not convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant NOT GUILTY.

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Committee Notes

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In the realm of DUI, courts often give instructions at the request of the parties that comment on the sufficiency, or relative quality, of evidence. These instructions are disfavored and may run afoul of the Utah Supreme Court's admonition that trial courts should not comment upon the evidence. See *State v. Pappacostas*, 407 P.2d 576 (Utah 1965); Utah R. Crim. P. 19(f) ; and CR1001 "Preamble to Driving Under the Influence Instructions."

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CR1005 Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol, Drugs, or Combination.

(DEFENDANT'S NAME) is charged [in Count ____] with committing Driving Under the Influence of [Alcohol][Any Drug][the Combined Influence of Alcohol and Any Drug] [on or about (DATE)]. You cannot convict [him] [her] of this offense unless, based on the evidence, you find beyond a reasonable doubt each of the following elements:

1. (DEFENDANT'S NAME) intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly
 - a. operated a vehicle; or
 - b. was in actual physical control of a vehicle; and
2. (DEFENDANT'S NAME):
 - a. [had sufficient alcohol in [his][her] body that a subsequent chemical test showed that [he][she] had a blood or breath alcohol concentration of [.05][.08] grams or greater at the time of the test;]
 - b. [was under the influence of [alcohol][any drug][the combined influence of alcohol and any drug] to a degree that rendered [him][her] incapable of safely operating a vehicle; or]
 - c. [had a blood or breath alcohol concentration of [.05][.08] grams or greater at the time of operation or actual physical control][.]; and]
3. (DEFENDANT'S NAME) operated the vehicle in a negligent manner which was the proximate cause of serious bodily injury upon [VICTIM'S NAME].
4. [The defense of _____ does not apply.]

After you carefully consider all the evidence in this case, if you are convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant GUILTY. On the other hand, if you are not convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant NOT GUILTY.

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Utah Code § 41-6a-502

Utah Code § 76-2-101(2)

State v. Bird, 2015 UT 7

State v. Thompson, 2017 UT App 183

State v. Vialpando, 2004 UT App 95

Committee Notes

This instruction is intended to be used in prosecuting Third Degree Felony driving under the influence. For Class B Misdemeanor or Class A Misdemeanor driving under the influence instructions, use CR1003 or CR1004, respectively. An alternative method to instruct the jury would be to use CR1003 (MB Instruction) in combination with SVF1001 (“Driving Under the Influence Offenses”). For Third Degree Felony driving under the influence offenses that result from a prior conviction or convictions, practitioners should request that the court address the prior convictions in a bifurcated proceeding and, if appropriate, use SVF1002 (“Driving Under the Influence – Prior Conviction”).

In the realm of DUI, courts often give instructions at the request of the parties that comment on the sufficiency, or relative quality, of evidence. These instructions are disfavored and may run afoul of the Utah Supreme Court’s admonition that trial courts should not comment upon the evidence. See *State v. Pappacostas*, 407 P.2d 576 (Utah 1965); Utah R. Crim. P. 19(f); and CR1001 “Preamble to Driving Under the Influence Instructions.”

It is an open question whether a mens rea is required with respect to the operation or actual physical control element of DUI. See Utah Code § 76-2-101(2) (no mental state generally required for traffic offenses) and *State v. Thompson*, 2017 UT App 183; but see *State v. Vialpando*, 2004 UT App 95, ¶ 26.

SVF 1000. Driving Under the Influence Offenses.

(LOCATION) JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, [_____ DEPARTMENT,]
IN AND FOR (COUNTY) COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH

<p>THE STATE OF UTAH, Plaintiff, vs. (DEFENDANT'S NAME), Defendant.</p>	<p>SPECIAL VERDICT DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE</p> <p>Case No. (*****) Count (#)</p>
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We, the jury, have found the defendant, (DEFENDANT'S NAME), guilty of Driving Under the Influence of [Alcohol][Any Drug][the Combined Influence of Alcohol and Any Drug], as charged in Count [#]. We also unanimously find the State has proven the following beyond a reasonable doubt (check all that apply):

- [(DEFENDANT'S NAME) had a passenger under 16 years of age in the vehicle at the time of the offense;]
- [(DEFENDANT'S NAME) was 21 years of age or older and had a passenger under 18 years of age in the vehicle at the time of the offense;]
- [(DEFENDANT'S NAME) operated a vehicle onto or from any controlled-access highway except at entrances and exits established by the appropriate highway authority;]
- [(DEFENDANT'S NAME) operated a vehicle on a divided highway using the left-hand roadway without being directed or permitted to use another roadway by a traffic-control device or a peace officer;]
- [(DEFENDANT'S NAME) operated a vehicle over, across, or within any dividing space, median, or barrier of a divided highway: (a) without authorization from a traffic-control device or a peace officer; or (b) without being the operator a tow truck in response to a customer service call and the tow truck motor carrier has already received authorization from the local law enforcement agency in the jurisdiction where the vehicle to be towed is located;]
- [(DEFENDANT'S NAME) operated the vehicle in a negligent manner which was the proximate cause of bodily injury upon [VICTIM'S NAME];]

- [(DEFENDANT'S NAME) operated the vehicle in a negligent manner which was the proximate cause of serious bodily injury upon [VICTIM'S NAME].]
- None of the above.

DATED this _____ day of (Month), 20(**).

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Committee Notes

Pursuant to Utah Code § 41-6a-502(3), if the case involves multiple victims that suffered bodily injury or serious bodily injury under Utah Code § 41-6a-502 or death under Utah Code § 76-5-207, a separate special verdict form should be used for each victim.

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TAB 4B

Review and Revise Remaining DUI-related Instructions

NOTES: At the January 2020 meeting, four DUI instructions were approved by the committee for publication:

CR1003 (MB DUI)
CR1004 (MA DUI)
CR1005 (F3 DUI)
SVF1000

The remaining draft instructions are included here:

- alcohol restricted driver
- automobile homicide – mobile device (F3)
- automobile homicide – mobile device (F2)
- automobile homicide (F3)
- automobile homicide (F2)
- driving with measurable controlled substance
- refuse chemical test
- definition – actual physical control
- definitions – DUI in general

- svf – dui priors
- svf – automobile homicide w/ priors

CR_____ Alcohol Restricted License.

(DEFENDANT'S NAME) is charged [in Count _____] with committing a Violation of Alcohol Restricted License [on or about (DATE)]. You cannot convict [him] [her] of this offense unless, based on the evidence, you find beyond a reasonable doubt each of the following elements:

1. (DEFENDANT'S NAME)
2. operated or was in actual physical control of a vehicle;
3. while having a measurable or detectable amount of alcohol in [his][her] body; and
4. (DEFENDANT'S NAME) meets at least one of the following:
 - a. [is a person under age 21;]
 - b. [is a novice learner driver;]
 - c. [within the two years prior to [OFFENSE DATE] (DEFENDANT'S NAME) was convicted of:
 - i. driving under the influence of alcohol or any drug;
 - ii. alcohol-related or drug-related reckless driving;
 - iii. impaired driving;
 - iv. a local ordinance similar to those referenced in i, ii, or iii; or
 - v. a statute or ordinance of this state, another state, the United States, or any of its districts, possessions or territories, which would constitute a violation Utah Code Ann. 41-6a-502;]
 - d. [within the two years prior to [OFFENSE DATE] (DEFENDANT'S NAME) has had the person's driving privileges suspended pursuant to Utah Code Ann. 53-3-223 for an alcohol related offense;]
 - e. [within the three years prior to [OFFENSE DATE] (DEFENDANT'S NAME) has been convicted of 41-6a-518.2, Driving Without an Ignition Interlock Device;]
 - f. [within the last five years (DEFENDANT'S NAME) has had [his][her] driver's privilege revoked for a refusal to submit to a chemical test under Utah Code Ann. 41-6a-520;]
 - g. [within the last five years (DEFENDANT'S NAME) has been convicted of a class A misdemeanor violation of 41-6a-502;]
 - h. [within the ten years prior to [OFFENSE DATE] (DEFENDANT'S NAME) has been convicted of:
 - i. driving under the influence of alcohol or any drug;
 - ii. alcohol-related or drug-related reckless driving;
 - iii. impaired driving;
 - iv. a local ordinance similar to those referenced in i, ii, or iii; or
 - v. a statute or ordinance of this state, another state, the United States, or any of its districts, possessions or territories, which would constitute a violation Utah Code Ann. 41-6a-502; **AND** that conviction was for an offense that was committed within ten years of the commission of another such offense for which the defendant was convicted;]
 - i. [within the ten years prior to [OFFENSE DATE] (DEFENDANT'S NAME) has had his/her driving privilege revoked for a refusal to submit to a chemical test and that refusal was within ten years after:
 - i. a prior refusal to submit to a chemical test under Utah Code Ann. 51-6a-520; or
 - ii. a prior conviction for [LIST OFFENSE, which was not based on the same arrest as the refusal]{used because this is a legal determination which will be made by COURT};]
 - j. [(DEFENDANT'S NAME) has previously been convicted of automobile homicide under Utah Code Ann. 76-5-207;] or
 - k. [(DEFENDANT'S NAME) has previously been convicted of a felony violation of 41-6a-502.]

After you carefully consider all the evidence in this case, if you are convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant GUILTY. On the other hand, if you are not convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant NOT GUILTY.

References

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CR_____ Automobile Homicide Involving Using a Handheld Wireless Communication Device While Driving.

(DEFENDANT'S NAME) is charged [in Count _____] with committing Automobile Homicide Involving Using a Handheld Wireless Communication Device While Driving [on or about (DATE)]. You cannot convict [him] [her] of this offense unless, based on the evidence, you find beyond a reasonable doubt each of the following elements:

1. (DEFENDANT'S NAME):
 - a. operated a motor vehicle on a highway in a negligent manner;
2. While using a handheld wireless communication device to manually:
 - a. write, send, or read a written communication, including:
 - i. a text message;
 - ii. an instant message; or
 - iii. electronic mail; or
 - b. dial a phone number;
 - c. access the Internet;
 - d. view or record video; or
 - e. enter data into a handheld wireless communication device; and
3. Caused the death of (VICTIM'S NAME); and
4. [That the defense of _____ does not apply.]

After you carefully consider all the evidence in this case, if you are convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant GUILTY. On the other hand, if you are not convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant NOT GUILTY.

References

Utah Code § 76-5-207.5

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Commented [MCD1]: (3) → Subsection (2) does not prohibit a person from using a handheld wireless communication device while operating a moving motor vehicle:
(a) → when using a handheld communication device for voice communication;
(b) → to view a global positioning or navigation device or a global positioning or navigation application;
(c) → during a medical emergency;
(d) → when reporting a safety hazard or requesting assistance relating to a safety hazard;
(e) → when reporting criminal activity or requesting assistance relating to a criminal activity;
(f) → when used by a law enforcement officer or emergency service personnel acting within the course and scope of the law enforcement officer's or emergency service personnel's employment; or
(g) → to operate:
(i) → hands-free or voice operated technology; or
(ii) → a system that is physically or electronically integrated into the motor vehicle.

CR_____ Automobile Homicide Involving Using a Handheld Wireless Communication Device While Driving.

(DEFENDANT'S NAME) is charged [in Count _____] with committing Automobile Homicide Involving Using a Handheld Wireless Communication Device While Driving [on or about (DATE)]. You cannot convict [him] [her] of this offense unless, based on the evidence, you find beyond a reasonable doubt each of the following elements:

1. (DEFENDANT'S NAME):
 - a. operated a motor vehicle on a highway in a criminally negligent manner;
2. While using a handheld wireless communication device to manually:
 - a. write, send, or read a written communication, including:
 - i. a text message;
 - ii. an instant message; or
 - iii. electronic mail; or
 - b. dial a phone number;
 - c. access the Internet;
 - d. view or record video; or
 - e. enter data into a handheld wireless communication device; and
3. Caused the death of (VICTIM'S NAME); and
4. [That the defense of _____ does not apply.]

After you carefully consider all the evidence in this case, if you are convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant GUILTY. On the other hand, if you are not convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant NOT GUILTY.

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(e) → when reporting criminal activity or requesting assistance relating to a criminal activity;
(f) → when used by a law enforcement officer or emergency service personnel acting within the course and scope of the law enforcement officer's or emergency service personnel's employment; or
(g) → to operate:
(i) → hands-free or voice operated technology; or
(ii) → a system that is physically or electronically integrated into the motor vehicle.

CR_____ Automobile Homicide.

(DEFENDANT'S NAME) is charged [in Count _____] with committing Automobile Homicide [on or about (DATE)]. You cannot convict [him] [her] of this offense unless, based on the evidence, you find beyond a reasonable doubt each of the following elements:

1. (DEFENDANT'S NAME):
 - a. operated a motor vehicle in a negligent manner; and
2. Caused the death of (VICTIM'S NAME); and
3. (DEFENDANT'S NAME):
 - a. [had sufficient alcohol in [his][her] body that a subsequent chemical test showed that [he][she] had a blood or breath alcohol concentration of [.05][.08] grams or greater at the time of the test;]
 - b. [was under the influence of [alcohol][any drug][the combined influence of alcohol and any drug] to a degree that rendered [him][her] incapable of safely operating a vehicle; or]
 - c. [had a blood or breath alcohol concentration of [.05][.08] grams or greater at the time of operation][.]; and]
4. [That the defense of _____ does not apply.]

After you carefully consider all the evidence in this case, if you are convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant GUILTY. On the other hand, if you are not convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant NOT GUILTY.

References

Utah Code § 76-5-207

Committee Notes

For Second Degree Felony automobile homicide based upon negligent operation of a motor vehicle and a prior conviction as defined in Utah Code § 41-6a-501(2), practitioners should request that the court address the prior conviction in a bifurcated proceeding and, if appropriate, use SVF_____ (“Automobile Homicide with Prior Conviction”).

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CR_____ Automobile Homicide.

(DEFENDANT'S NAME) is charged [in Count _____] with committing Automobile Homicide [on or about (DATE)]. You cannot convict [him] [her] of this offense unless, based on the evidence, you find beyond a reasonable doubt each of the following elements:

1. (DEFENDANT'S NAME):
 - a. operated a motor vehicle in a criminally negligent manner; and
2. Caused the death of (VICTIM'S NAME); and
3. (DEFENDANT'S NAME):
 - a. [had sufficient alcohol in [his][her] body that a subsequent chemical test showed that [he][she] had a blood or breath alcohol concentration of [.05][.08] grams or greater at the time of the test;]
 - b. [was under the influence of [alcohol][any drug][the combined influence of alcohol and any drug] to a degree that rendered [him][her] incapable of safely operating a vehicle; or]
 - c. [had a blood or breath alcohol concentration of [.05][.08] grams or greater at the time of operation][.]; and]
4. [That the defense of _____ does not apply.]

After you carefully consider all the evidence in this case, if you are convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant GUILTY. On the other hand, if you are not convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant NOT GUILTY.

References

Utah Code § 76-5-207

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CR_____ Driving with Any Measurable Controlled Substance in the Body. (VERSION 1)

(DEFENDANT'S NAME) is charged [in Count _____] with committing Driving with Any Measurable Controlled Substance in the Body [on or about (DATE)]. You cannot convict [him] [her] of this offense unless, based on the evidence, you find beyond a reasonable doubt each of the following elements:

1. (DEFENDANT'S NAME) intentionally, knowingly, or recklessly
 - a. operated a vehicle; or
 - b. was in actual physical control of a vehicle; and
2. (DEFENDANT'S NAME):
 - a. had any measurable controlled substance or metabolite, other than 11-nor-9-carboxy-tetrahydrocannabinol, of a controlled substance in the person's body.
3. [That the following defenses do not apply:]
 - a. [the controlled substance was not involuntarily ingested;]
 - b. [the controlled substance was not prescribed by a practitioner for use by (DEFENDANT'S NAME);]
 - c. [the controlled substance was not cannabis in a medicinal dosage form or a cannabis product in a medicinal dosage form that the accused legally ingested; or]
 - d. [the controlled substance was not otherwise legally ingested.]
4. [That the defense of _____ does not apply.]

After you carefully consider all the evidence in this case, if you are convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant GUILTY. On the other hand, if you are not convinced that each and every element has been proven beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant NOT GUILTY.

References

Utah Code § 41-6a-517

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CR_____ Driving with Any Measurable Controlled Substance in the Body. (VERSION 2)

Before you can convict the defendant of “driving a motor vehicle with a measured amount of a Controlled Substance {DRUG}” you must find from all the evidence and beyond a reasonable doubt each and every one of the following numbered elements of that offense:

1. That on or about [DATE], the defendant;
2. operated or was in actual physical control of a motor vehicle;
3. had a measurable {amount of a} controlled substance or metabolite of a controlled substance, other than 11-nor-9-carboxy-tetrahydrocannabinol, in his/her body; and
4. [DEFENSES:
 - a. The substance was {NOT IN}voluntarily ingested by the defendant.
 - b. The substance was not prescribed by a practitioner {or recommended by a physician [cannabis offenses prior to 12/04/18]} for use by the defendant.
 - c. If the controlled substance was cannabis or a cannabis product, it was not ingested by the defendant in a medicinal dosage form in accordance with the Utah Medical Cannabis Act. [Offenses after 12/04/18].
 - d. The substance was not legally ingested.

If, after careful consideration of all the evidence in this case, you are convinced of the truth of each and every one of the foregoing numbered elements beyond a reasonable doubt, then you must find the defendant guilty of “driving a motor vehicle with a measured amount of a Controlled Substance {DRUG}” as charged in the information. If, on the other hand, you are not convinced beyond a reasonable doubt of any one or more of the foregoing elements, then you must find the defendant not guilty of that count.

References

Utah Code § 41-6a-517

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CR_____ Refusal to test as evidence.

In this case, you must determine whether [DEFENDANT’S NAME], while under arrest, refused to submit to a chemical test or tests. If you determine that [DEFENDANT’S NAME] refused to submit to a chemical test or tests, you may weigh that as part of your considerations in determining whether [DEFENDANT’S NAME] is guilty of operating or in actual physical control of a motor vehicle while:

1. [under the influence of:
 - a. alcohol;
 - b. any drug; or
 - c. a combination of alcohol and any drug;]
2. [having any measurable controlled substance or metabolite of a controlled substance in the person's body;]
or
3. [having any measurable or detectable amount of alcohol in the person's body if the person is an alcohol restricted driver as defined under Section 41-6a-529.]

A person operating a motor vehicle in Utah is considered to have given the person's consent to a chemical test or tests of the person's breath, blood, urine, or oral fluids for the purpose of determining whether the person was operating or in actual physical control of a motor vehicle while:

1. having a blood or breath alcohol content statutorily prohibited under Section 41-6a-502, 41-6a-530, or 53-3-231;
2. under the influence of alcohol, any drug, or combination of alcohol and any drug under Section 41-6a-502;
or
3. having any measurable controlled substance or metabolite of a controlled substance in the person's body in violation of Section 41-6a-517.

The peace officer determines which of the tests are administered and how many of them are administered. If a peace officer requests more than one test, refusal by a person to take one or more requested tests, even though the person does submit to any other requested test or tests, is a refusal.

References

Utah Code § 41-6a-520
Utah Code § 41-6a-524

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CR_____ Actual physical control.

In this case, the charges distinguish between “operating” OR being “in actual physical control” of a motor vehicle. These are separate considerations.

Actual physical control of a motor vehicle means that a person has the apparent ability to start and move a vehicle. The question of whether a person operated or even intends to operate a motor vehicle is irrelevant to whether that person has the present ability to start and move the vehicle.

You must decide from the evidence of this case whether the defendant had the present ability to start and move the vehicle. In determining whether the Defendant had “actual physical control” of a motor vehicle, you are instructed to consider the totality of the circumstances. You may want to consider, among other things:

- whether the Defendant was asleep or awake when discovered;
- the position of the automobile;
- whether the automobile's motor was running;
- whether the Defendant was positioned in the driver's seat of the vehicle;
- whether the Defendant was the vehicle's sole occupant;
- whether the Defendant had possession of the ignition key;
- the Defendant's apparent ability to start and move the vehicle;
- how the car got to where it was found;
- whether the Defendant drove it there.

None of these factors is solely determinative of the question, nor is the list all-inclusive of factors you may find helpful in your deliberations.

The person is not in actual physical control of the vehicle if all of the following conditions are true:

- the person is asleep inside the vehicle;
- the person is not in the driver's seat of the vehicle;
- the engine of the vehicle is not running;
- the vehicle is lawfully parked; and
- under the facts presented, it is evident that the person did not drive the vehicle to the location while under the influence of alcohol, a drug, or the combined influence of alcohol and any drug.

References

State v. Barnhart, 850 P.2d 473 (Utah App. 1993)
[Utah Code § 41-6a-501](#)

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CR1002 Definitions.

"Serious bodily injury" means bodily injury that creates or causes:

- (i) serious permanent disfigurement;
- (ii) protracted loss or impairment of the function of any bodily member or organ; or (iii) a substantial risk of death.

[see Utah Code § 41-6a-501(1)(h)]

"Drug" or "drugs" means:

- (i) a controlled substance as defined in Section 58-37-2;
- (ii) a drug as defined in Section 58-17b-102; or
- (iii) any substance that, when knowingly, intentionally, or recklessly taken into the human body, can impair the ability of a person to safely operate a motor vehicle.

[see Utah Code § 41-6a-501(1)(c)]

"Negligence" means simple negligence, the failure to exercise that degree of care that an ordinarily reasonable and prudent person exercises under like or similar circumstances.

[see Utah Code § 41-6a-501(1)(e)]

"Vehicle" or "motor vehicle" means a vehicle or motor vehicle as defined in Section 41-6a-102; and

(ii) "Vehicle" or "motor vehicle" includes:

- (A) an off-highway vehicle as defined under Section 41-22-2; and (B) a motorboat as defined in Section 73-18-2.

[see Utah Code § 41-6a-501(1)(k)]

For MA/F3 DUI:

"Proximate cause" means that:

- (1) the person's act or failure to act produced the harm directly or set in motion events that produced the harm in a natural and continuous sequence; and
- (2) the person's act or failure to act could be foreseen by a reasonable person to produce a harm of the same general nature.

There may be more than one cause of the same harm.

References

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SVF 1002. Driving Under the Influence - Prior Conviction.

(LOCATION) JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, [_____ DEPARTMENT,]
IN AND FOR (COUNTY) COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH

THE STATE OF UTAH, Plaintiff, vs. (DEFENDANT'S NAME), Defendant.	SPECIAL VERDICT DRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE PRIOR CONVICTION Case No. (*****) Count (#)
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We, the jury, have found the defendant, (DEFENDANT'S NAME), guilty of Driving Under the Influence of [Alcohol][Any Drug][the Combined Influence of Alcohol and Any Drug], as charged in Count [#]. We also unanimously find the State has proven the following beyond a reasonable doubt (check all that apply):

- [(DEFENDANT'S NAME) has two or more prior convictions in case number(s) [_____] and [_____] each of which is within 10 years of:
 - i. the current conviction; or
 - ii. the commission of the offense upon which the current conviction is based;]
- [(DEFENDANT'S NAME)'s conviction in this case is at any time after a conviction of:
 - i. automobile homicide in case number [_____] , which was committed after July 1, 2001; or
 - ii. felony-level driving under the influence in case number [_____] , which was committed after July 1, 2001; ~~or~~
 - ~~iii. any conviction described in element i. or ii. which judgment of conviction is reduced under Section 76-3-402.]~~
- None of the above.

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SVF ____ . Automobile Homicide with Prior Conviction.

(LOCATION) JUDICIAL DISTRICT COURT, [_____] DEPARTMENT,
IN AND FOR (COUNTY) COUNTY, STATE OF UTAH

<p>THE STATE OF UTAH, Plaintiff, vs. (DEFENDANT'S NAME), Defendant.</p>	<p>SPECIAL VERDICT AUTOMOBILE HOMICIDE WITH PRIOR CONVICTION</p> <p>Case No. (*****) Count (#)</p>
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We, the jury, have found the defendant, (DEFENDANT'S NAME), guilty of Automobile Homicide, as charged in Count [#]. We also unanimously find the State has proven the following beyond a reasonable doubt (check all that apply):

- [(DEFENDANT'S NAME) has a prior conviction for [driving under the influence of alcohol, any drug, or a combination of both][alcohol, any drug, or a combination of both-related reckless driving or a similar local ordinance][impaired driving][driving with a measurable controlled substance][automobile homicide][Utah Code § 58-37-8(2)(g).]
- None of the above.

DATED this _____ day of (Month), 20(**).

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