



Fiscal Note

H.B. 437

2026 General Session
 Environmental Permitting Amendments
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General, Income Tax, and Uniform School Funds

JR4-4-101

	Ongoing	One-time	Total
Net GF/ITF/USF (rev.-exp.)	\$0	\$(114,900)	\$(114,900)

State Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Revenues	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Dedicated Credits Revenue	\$0	\$112,400	\$112,400
Total Revenues	\$0	\$112,400	\$112,400

Enactment of this legislation could increase Dedicated Credit revenue to the Department of Environmental Quality by \$102,400 ongoing beginning in FY 2027 from fees for expedited permit review. Enactment could also increase Dedicated Credit revenue to the Department of Natural Resources by \$10,000 ongoing beginning in FY 2027 from charging for expedited permit review.

Expenditures	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining (GFR), One-time	\$0	\$38,300	\$0
Dedicated Credits Revenue	\$0	\$112,400	\$112,400
General Fund, One-time	\$0	\$114,900	\$0
Total Expenditures	\$0	\$265,600	\$112,400

Enactment of this legislation could cost the Department of Natural Resources \$38,300 one-time in FY 2027 from the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining Restricted Account and \$10,000 ongoing beginning in FY 2027 from Dedicated Credits to establish a process for a qualified reviewer to complete an expedited review of a permit application for an eligible permit. The department can absorb the one-time Restricted Account costs in FY 2027. Enactment may also cost the Department of Environmental Quality \$115,000 one-time from the General Fund in FY 2027 and \$102,400 ongoing from Dedicated Credits to establish a process for a qualified reviewer to complete an expedited review of a permit application for an eligible permit. The department can absorb the one-time General Fund costs in FY 2027.

	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028
Net All Funds	\$0	\$(153,200)	\$0

Local Government

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation likely will not result in direct, measurable costs for local governments.

Individuals & Businesses

UCA 36-12-13(2)(c)

Enactment of this legislation could cost businesses who apply for an eligible permit and request an expedited review at the Division of Oil, Gas, and Mining, or Department of Environmental Quality \$112,400 in aggregate for fees associated with the expedited review.

Regulatory Impact

UCA 36-12-13(2)(d)

Enactment of this legislation could result in a small reduction in the regulatory burden for Utah residents or businesses.

Performance Evaluation

JR1-4-601

This bill creates a new program or significantly expands an existing program.
For a list of questions lawmakers might ask to improve accountability for the proposed program, please see: <https://budget.utah.gov/newprogram>

Notes on Notes

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