



COMMISSION STAFF REPORT

MEETING DATE: February 16, 2021

ITEM TITLE, PRESENTER: Consideration and Approval of a letter of support for extension and expansion of the Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA) and for State Rep. Doug Owen's House Concurrent Resolution (H.C.R. 18) to express Utah's support to US Congress to extend and expand RECA's benefits. Commissioner Willie Grayeyes

RECOMMENDATION: Make a Motion Approving the Letter
Make a Motion Denying the Letter

SUMMARY

Expressing the County's support for state Rep. Doug Owen's H.C.R 18 expressing Utah's support for the US Congress to extend and expand the federal Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA) before it sunsets in 2022.

HISTORY/PAST ACTION

The Federal Radiation Exposure Compensation Act (RECA) has provided compensation to San Juan County residents who have suffered health impacts due to working in the uranium industry and/or being downwinders. The RECA will sunset in 2022. We support Owen's H.C.R. 18 urging Utah legislators and Governor to support Congress to extend and expand RECA to continue to provide compensation to qualifying claimants, including San Juan County residents.

FISCAL IMPACT

N/A