

**LEGISLATIVE INTERIM COMMITTEE NOTE
AUGUST 2012**

Law Enforcement and Criminal Justice	
Bill Title/Subject Matter:	Capital Punishment – Master Study Item
Legislator(s) – Sponsor:	Rep. Steve Handy
Interested Parties:	Gary Syphus Thomas Brunner Kent Hart Patrick Anderson
Code Reference:	
<p>Description: Discussion on the costs of capital punishment versus life in prison without the possibility of parole. Thomas Brunner provided an overview of the history of capital punishment in Utah; Gary Syphus provided cost impacts to local government entities and state agencies; Patrick Anderson provided case and cost information from the Salt Lake Legal Defenders office; David Christensen discussed cases from the aspect of the Federal Defenders Association.</p> <p>Additional cost information will be presented at future Interim meetings.</p> <p><i>[Action: No action taken, discussion only.]</i></p>	