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# H. R. 5238

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 6, 2010

Mr. BISHOP of Utah (for himself and Mr. CHAFFETZ) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Education and Labor, and in addition to the Committees on Energy and Commerce and Transportation and Infrastructure, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

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1       *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2       *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2       This Act may be cited as the “Utah Laboratory of  
3 Democracy Act of 2010”.

4 **SEC. 2. UTAH ADMINISTRATION OF FEDERAL EDUCATION,**  
5 **TRANSPORTATION, AND MEDICAID PRO-**  
6 **GRAMS.**

7       (a) TRANSFER OF ADMINISTRATION.—The Secretary  
8 of Education, the Secretary of Transportation, and the  
9 Secretary of Health and Human Services shall seek to  
10 enter into an agreement with the State of Utah under  
11 which the State will assume all responsibility for the ad-  
12 ministration within the State of Federal programs in the  
13 areas of education, transportation, and Medicaid. The  
14 State’s administration of the programs shall not be subject  
15 to oversight or regulation by the Secretaries so as to per-  
16 mit the State to undertake and evaluate innovative meth-  
17 ods to manage the programs. The agreement shall take  
18 effect on the first day of the first calendar year beginning  
19 after the date of the enactment of this Act.

20       (b) RETURN OF TAX REVENUES TO STATE.—If the  
21 agreement authorized by subsection (a) is entered into by  
22 the State of Utah, at the beginning of each calendar year  
23 thereafter, the Secretary of the Treasury shall transfer to  
24 the State of Utah an amount equal to that portion of the  
25 estimated tax revenues to be paid by citizens of Utah for  
26 that calendar year that would be returned to the State

1 through Federal education, transportation, and Medicaid  
2 programs in the absence of the agreement. If the estimate  
3 for a calendar year results in an overpayment or under-  
4 payment to the State, the Secretary of the Treasury shall  
5 adjust the payment for the next calendar year to recover  
6 the amount of the overpayment or correct the under-  
7 payment.

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