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## What's New?

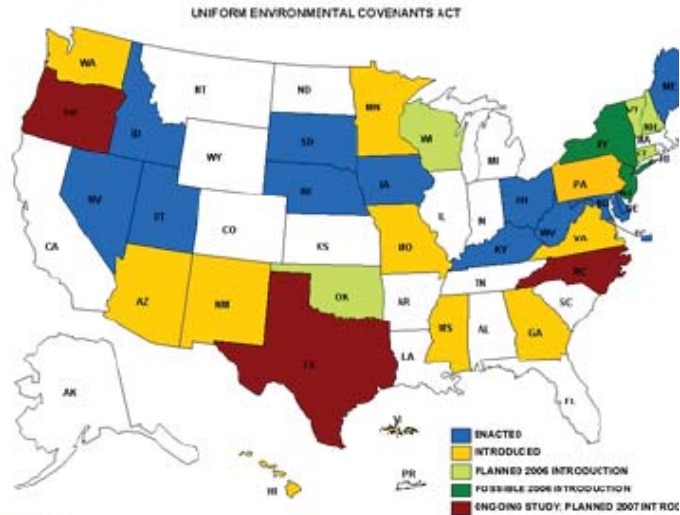
### Utah Enacts UECA

Utah recently became the 13th state to enact the Uniform Environmental Covenants Act. SB153 was signed into law by Utah Governor Jon Huntsman, Jr., on March 15. Utah joins Delaware, DC, Idaho, Iowa, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Nebraska, Nevada, Ohio, South Dakota and West Virginia in adopting UECA.

UECA has also been introduced in 11 other states to date: Arizona, Georgia, Hawaii, Minnesota, Mississippi, Missouri, New Mexico, Pennsylvania, U.S. Virgin Islands, Virginia and Washington. See information at right for details.

### What is UECA?

The Uniform Environmental Covenants Act – UECA – is a uniform law that was approved by the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (NCCUSL) in 2003. UECA establishes requirements for a new valid real estate document – an "environmental covenant" – to control the future use of brownfields when real estate is transferred from one person to another. [\[Read More\]](#)



### The Facts...

#### ARIZONA

SB 1372 – Sen. Allen – In Senate Rules Committee

#### DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

B16-0147 – Councilmember Mendelson - ENACTED

#### GEORGIA

HB 1353 – Rep. Forster – In House Judiciary Committee

#### HAWAII

HB 1706 – Rep. Morita – Passed House  
SB 2345 – Sen. Bunda - Passed Senate

#### IDAHO

SB 1255 – ENACTED

#### MINNESOTA

HF 1154 – Rep. Emmer - In House Civil Law Committee  
SF 1426 – Sen. Hottinger - In Senate Judiciary Committee

#### MISSISSIPPI

HB 1427 – Rep. Blackmon - Held for Study  
SB 2864 – Sen. Doxy – Held for Study

## INFORMATION KIT

To order a free information kit on  
UECA, [click here](#)

## PRESS RELEASE

To view the latest press release on  
UECA, [click here](#)

## Key Points About UECA

UECA will help ensure that land use controls needed in connection with an environmental cleanup will be reliable and enforceable for as long as they are needed to protect people living and working on or near these sites. [\[Read More\]](#)

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### Websites

[www.nccusl.org](http://www.nccusl.org)

[www.environmentalcovenants.org](http://www.environmentalcovenants.org)

[www.lucs.org/ueca](http://www.lucs.org/ueca)

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## What is the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws?

The National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws (NCCUSL), now in its 114th year, provides states with non-partisan, well-conceived and well-drafted legislation that brings clarity and stability to critical areas of the law. NCCUSL's work supports the federal system and facilitates the movement of individuals and the business of organizations with rules that are consistent from state to state.

The organization comprises more than 300 lawyers, judges and law professors, appointed by the states as well as the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, and the U.S. Virgin Islands, to research, draft and promote enactment of uniform state laws in areas of state law where uniformity is desirable and practical. Uniform Law Commissioners must be lawyers, qualified to practice law. Since its inception in 1892, the group has promulgated more than 200 acts, among them such bulwarks of state statutory law as the Uniform Commercial Code, the Uniform Probate Code, and the Uniform Partnership Act.

### MISSOURI

SB 862 - Sen. Engler - Passed Senate Agriculture Committee

### NEW MEXICO

HB 314 – Rep. Heaton – Passed House, Died on Adjournment in Senate

### PENNSYLVANIA

[HB 1249](#) – Rep. Rubley - In House Environmental Resources Committee

### U.S. VIRGIN ISLANDS

26-0064 – Sen. Barshinger – In Senate

### UTAH

SB 153 – Sen. Hillyard – ENACTED

### VIRGINIA

HB 814 – Rep. May – Carried over to 2007

### WASHINGTON

SB 6517 – Sen. Fraser – In Senate Environment Committee