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Stiffer Fines for Harming Utah Air Quality Championed by Senator Luz Escamilla

Salt Lake City – Senator Luz Escamilla champions an increase of civil penalties for those that harm Utah’s air quality. As in the 2014 session, Escamilla is introducing an air quality bill to address fines for air polluters and the fees that are collected from those fines.

"The air quality in our state has become a real crisis, not only impacting the health of Utahns, but also the economic development of our state," exclaims Senator Escamilla. "I am introducing a bill that will address penalties for polluters, state a statute of limitations of 5 years for a violation of the Environmental Quality Code, and also modify the way the Department of Environmental Quality uses those fines to remedy the damage caused by the polluters."

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