

Bill#	Sponsor	Title	Com	Supporting/Opposing Orgs
001	Michaelson Jenet	Continue Youth Mental Health Services Program	Spp	+y,d,X,C,U,G,v
008	Rodriguez & Fields	Kinship Foster Care Homes	Sfin	
012	Gonzales & Coleman	Reentry Workforce Dev Cash Assistance Pilot Program	Sjud	+h,X,Y,U,d,z
032	Priola & Jaquez Lewis	Methods to Increase Use of Transit	Stra	+C
034	Marchman & Kolker	Increase Access to School-Based Health Care	Sapp	+C,y,U,X
040	Danielson and Ginal	State Funding for Senior Services	Sapp	+s,A,X,C,O,d
048	Priola & DeGruy Kennedy	Substance Use Disorder Recovery	Sbit	+h,X
053	Coleman	Racial Equity Study	Sfin	+Q,q,w,D,y,T,X,Y,G,C,6,z,U,O,c,J,I,n
064	Mullica	Monthly Residential Eviction Data & Report	Sapp	+y, e, C,h,J,A,U,G,r,J,w
075	Priola & Rodriguez	Transportation Network Company Transparency	Sbit	+t,Y,U
080	Fields & Jaquez Lewis	Transparency in Health Care Coverage	Shhs	+C,P
094	Gonzales & Exum	Safe Housing for Residential Tenants	Sgh	+J,Z,D,U,h,d
097	Simpson	Property Tax Sale Distraint Mobile home	Sgh	+w
116	Buckner	Discounted Care for Indigent Patients	Shhs	+C
1004	Bacon & Bird	Ex-Offenders Practice in Regulated Professions	Hbus	+U,x,d
1007	Rutinel & Mabrey	Prohibit Residential Occupancy Limits	H3rd	+a,A,C,c,9,D,d,e,G,g,h,i,j,J,m,N,n,O,r,s,U,w,X,y,Z
1008	Duran & Froelich	Wage Claims Construction Industry Contractors	Hbus	+t,U,C,t,P
1009	Joseph & McLachlan	Bilingual Childcare Resources	Hed	+y,m,z,G,X,C,O
1019	Bradfield & Amabile	Crisis Resolution Team Program	Happ	+d,C,x,X
1028	Epps	Overdose Prevention Centers	Hhhs	+U,X,h,d
1037	Epps & DeGruy Kennedy	Substance Use Disorders Harm Reduction	Hhhs	+h,X,U,d
1051	Boesenecker & Mauro	Towing Carrier Regulation	Hthl	+Z,N,U,h
1052	Weissman & Marshall	Senior Housing Income Tax Credit	Hfin	+A,C,w
1057	Woodrow	Prohibit Algorithmic Devices for Rent Setting	H2nd	+C,U,J,w,t,s,A,h,r
1065	Bottoms	Reduction of State Income Tax	Hfin	-f,C,w,z,n
1075	McCormick & Boesenecker	Analysis of Universal Health Care Payment System	Hhhs	+c,C,h,U,w,X,S,A,O,y,l,Y
1084	Willford & Young	Repeal & Re-Enact Earned Income Tax Credit Increase	LAW	+f,C,h,y,g,z,G
1095	Lieder & Amabile	Increasing Protections for Minor Workers	Hbus	+6,G,t
1098	Mabrey & Duran	Cause Required for Eviction of Residential Tenant	Sthl	+9,N,6,n,D,T,I,Z,C,r,w,A,U,y,h,l,d,m
1099	Lindsay & Soper	Defendant Filing Fees in Evictions	Sthl	+J,y,s U,G,h,d,e,w
1129	Vigil & Mabrey	Protections for Delivery Network Company Providers	Hbus	+I,Y,U
1133	Mabrey & Soper	Criminal Record Sealing & Expungement Changes	Hjud	+C,U,i,x
1134	Weissman & Rutinel	Adjustments to Tax Expenditures to Reduce Burden	Hfin	+f,w,z
1175	Boesenecker & Sirota	Local Gov Rights to Property for Affordable Housing	Hthl	+h

Supporting/Opposing Orgs (+ support; - oppose)

C = CO Ctr on Law and Policy	g = COLOR	N = United for a New Economy	U = ACLU
2 = Skills2Compete	G=Clayton Early Learning	o=CCHN	u = Mile High United Way
6 = SiX Action	h = CO Coalition for Homeless	O-CLLARO	V= Voces Unidos de las Montanas
9 = 9 to 5	H = Hunger Free Colorado	p = Lutheran Advocacy Ministry	v = Violence-Free Colorado
a = AFDC Coalition	i = Interfaith Alliance	P = Centennial State Prosperity	w = League of Women Voters
A = AARP	I = CIRC	Q=CHIC	W = women's Lobby
B=Blueprint to End Hunger	j = Illuminate	q=Soul2Soul Sisters	x = Healthier Colorado
b = Bell Policy Ctr	J = Colo Poverty Law Project	r = Cross Disabilities Coalition	X= Mental Health Colorado
c = CO Consumer Health Initiative	k = Elephant Circle	R = Rose foundation	y = CO Children's Campaign
d=Disability Law	K= Rose Community Foundation	s = Colo Ctr on Aging	Y = Young Invincibles
D=Denver Foundation	L = COPA	S = CO Social Legis Com	z = Women's Foundation
E = EFAA	M = Metro Caring	t = Towards Justice	Z=Comm Economic Def Proj
e = Enterprise Com Partners,	m = Spring Institute	T = Together Colorado	
f = Colorado Fiscal Institute	n = New Era		
F = Feeding Colorado			

Committees

S = Senate	H = House	Jud= Judicial
Ed = Education	App = Appropriations	Thl=Transportation, Housing & Local Govt
Pbh = Public Health	Hhs = Health & Human Services	Bus; Blt =Business
Fin = Finance	Tra=Transportation	Lgh=Local Government & Housing
Sa = State Affairs	Awn=Agriculture	

2024 COLORADO STATE LEGISLATION CONCERNING ECONOMIC OPPORTUNITY AND POVERTY REDUCTION

State Budget

Much federal funding, which has helped see Colorado through the pandemic, is ending shortly, causing some programs to end and others to reduce their size. Meanwhile Colorado does expect revenues to come in above the TABOR cap, at least for a couple years — \$3.5 Billion above the TABOR cap in 2022 and 2023- shrinking to about \$2 billion a few years after that. This TABOR surplus cannot go to programs but can fund various tax credits. For many proposals the question is what is more valuable: tax credits to bolster priorities or preserving or maximizing TABOR refunds to individuals? Should revenue above the TABOR cap fund tax reductions for homeowners? Should the income tax be reduced, helping middle- and upper-class Coloradans, while shrinking TABOR refunds for low-income Coloradans and older adults?

Income/expenses

Expect legislation to make permanent the payment of TABOR refunds as identical payments to each tax filer, rather than a tiered system in which the wealthiest Coloradans get more than lower income tax-filers. HB1134 proposes a new permanent EITC Expansion to extend and maintain a federal match at 50% of the federal credit rather than the 20% of the federal EITC that will otherwise return in future years. The bill would also blend the state Child Care Tax Credit and the Low Income Child Care Tax Credit.

Pay transparency for app-based gig workers and customers is again on the table with SB 075. What do different tasks pay? How far is the drive? How much was tipped within an app are important determinants of whether a job task is desirable or viable. Transparency about why workers might be blocked from the app and having an appeal process for potential reinstatement are basic elements of minimal job quality.

Though HB1008, contractors in the construction field could be liable for wages not paid to workers working for their subcontractors.

Justice Involved/Re-entry

HB1133 is a Clean Slate clean up bill. It allows persons arrested in cases of mistaken identity to petition the court if the arresting agency has not expunged it. Filing fee would be waived in such cases. It also adjusts waiting periods for requesting record sealing for municipal convictions. SB012 would create a cash assistance pilot for those leaving corrections who are in a job training program. Up to \$3000 could be available to help a person meet some basic living expenses while training for employment.

HB1004 clarifies previous legislation regarding those with past felonies obtaining professional licenses. To oversimplify, offences which were nonviolent and more than 3 years old could not be considered against someone obtaining a professional license. Those with violent felonies would have their criminal records considered by regulators of professions. Individuals could ask for an advance ruling on whether their criminal record would prevent them from obtaining a license,

so they don't spend time training for a job they would not be allowed to do.

Childcare

HB1009 would require testing for Childcare provider licenses and information for childcare providers to be translated into the two most common languages in Colorado.

Older Adults

SB 040 would add \$5 million, and an automatic inflation adjustment to Older Coloradans Act funding. The funding helps older adults remain in their homes and thrive, with locally determined services including meals on wheels, congregate meals, home health services, etc. The bill would also initiate a review of the sufficiency of funding giving the growth in Colorado older adults and the services they will need. HB1052 would renew for one year a refundable tax credit for seniors who are renters, or otherwise ineligible for the Senior Homestead Exemption

Housing

Half of Coloradans pay more than 30% of their income for rent. Almost ¼ pay half of their income for rent. SB064-Monthly Residential Eviction Data and Report would provide more geographic and process and aggregate outcome data on those who are being evicted. HB1007 would prohibit local governments from establishing residential occupancy limits on any basis other square footage per person based on health and safety concerns. For example, local governments could not require that occupants be related by blood or adoption. HB1171 would require cause- such as nonpayment of rent or substantial lease violation- to not renew a lease and proceed with an eviction. SB094 would add timelines and clarify court processes regarding enforcement of Warranty of Habitability laws. Hb 1057 would prohibit the practice setting rents by algorithms, such as factoring in average area rents, % of vacant units, etc. HB1099 would eliminate filing fees from those defending against their own eviction.

Health

The scope and funding for school-based health care would increase under SB034. Telehealth, mobile units and offsite, but school-linked clinics could help delivery care. The Youth Mental Health Services Program, with its access to limited mental health counseling would continue under SB001. Short term (4-6 weeks) community based mental health services would be established as a Crisis Response Team within the Department of Human Services and funded by HB 1019.

SB80 requires insurers to have an online consumer facing tool to provide prices based on cost sharing. HB 048 and HB01037 are two of the bills which came out of the Interim Committee on Opioid Abuse. HB1028 again tries to establish Overdose Prevention centers. HB1075 would take another step for the single payer approach to health care coverage, authorizing Colorado School of Public Health to conduct an analysis of various legislative proposals establishing a statewide single payer universal health care system, with an advisory committee of stakeholders in named sectors and roles.

To read the text of any bill, its fiscal impact or current status, or for legislator contact info, go to www.leg.colorado.gov. For questions, corrections, more information, or to add your organization's positions to the list, contact Chaer Robert, crobert@copolicy.org.