

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

FEBRUARY 3, 2026
TOWN COUNCIL



OVERVIEW

- General Assembly in session January-May
- Staff monitors, but does not take any positions on, legislation unless Council directs it
- Staff is presently tracking 60+ potential and introduced bills
- If Council is interested in information on any specific bills not addressed tonight, staff can provide an update at a future meeting

RECOMMENDED OPPOSE ITEMS

SB 5: RIGHTS VIOLATION IN IMMIGRATION ENFORCEMENT REMEDY

Creates a statutory cause of action for a person who is injured during a civil immigration enforcement action by another person who, whether or not under color of law, violates the United States constitution while participating in civil immigration enforcement. A person who violates the United States Constitution while participating in civil immigration enforcement is liable to the injured party for legal, equitable or any other appropriate relief.

SB 18: LEGAL PROTECTIONS FOR DIGNITY OF MINORS

Requires the court to suppress a record associated with a petition seeking to change the name of a petitioner who is less than 18 years old unless the petitioner was previously convicted of a felony. Authorizes the court to use the suppressed court record for administrative purposes, but prohibits publishing the petitioner's name or new name online. Authorizes an individual to access a suppressed court record without a court order with verbal consent from a party to the case and an affidavit to the court. In determining parenting time and the allocation of decision-making responsibility, requires the court to consider whether the parties recognize the child's identity as it relates to a protected class.

RECOMMENDED OPPOSE ITEMS

SB 24: STATE & LOCAL UNMANNED AIRCRAFT REGULATION

Would preempt local authority over drones by voiding existing local ordinances designed to protect communities by limiting how cities and towns can manage drone activity on public property. This bill goes beyond what is necessary to ensure consistency with existing federal regulations and restricts municipalities from ensuring the safety of their communities on matters unrelated to aviation, including management of public property, public safety and nuisances to wildlife.

SB 71: USE OF SURVEILLANCE TECHNOLOGY BY LAW ENFORCEMENT

Regulates how law enforcement agencies can use red light cameras, license plate reader systems, pole-mounted cameras, drones, facial recognition and other technology, requiring this technology to only be used for a “lawful purpose” without defining what this means. Requires a warrant to access data from facial recognition systems, going further than existing Fourth Amendment standards. Imposes on storing data unless it’s part of an active investigation. Requires log each time data is accessed and bill allows residents to request data to check compliance at no cost, placing a significant administrative burden and unfunded mandate on departments.

OPPOSED ITEMS UPDATES

SB 70: BAN GOVERNMENT ACCESS HISTORICAL LOCATION INFORMATION DATABASE (PEEPS ACT)

Aimed at creating guardrails on data-sharing of license plate reader technology among Colorado law enforcement agencies and other states and federal law enforcement. This would effectively ban the Flock system CRPD uses. *Assigned to Judiciary Committee – no hearing set*

HB 1001: HOUSING DEVELOPMENTS ON QUALIFYING PROPERTIES (HOME ACT)

Would preempt local zoning to allow schools, institutions of higher education, certain housing-related nonprofits and public housing authorities to develop residential properties on land they own, disregarding local governments' comprehensive planning. *Passed today out of Transportation, Housing & Local Government Committee?*

OPPOSED ITEMS UPDATES

HB 1037: Ban Government Purchase of Personal Data from Third Party

Would prohibit law enforcement agencies from accessing commercially available personal data from third parties without a warrant and would bar agencies from using data obtained indirectly from another agency if that data was originally acquired through a third party. Prevents any personal data acquired in violation of the act from being used as evidence in court proceedings.

Assigned to Judiciary Committee – no hearing set

SUPPORTED ITEMS UPDATES

HB 1021: SECOND AMENDMENT PROTECTION ACT (Brooks)

Would repeal various State laws related to firearms and other weapons. *Hearing in House Judiciary on Feb. 17*

SB 11: SEARCH WARRANTS PROVIDED TO COVERED PLATFORMS (Frizell)

Requires operators of online services to ensure that each covered platform provides a streamlined process to allow Colorado law enforcement agencies to contact them. *Assigned to Judiciary Committee – no hearing set*



PROPOSED MOTION

"I move to affirm staff's recommended positions on State legislation as presented and direct staff to communicate the positions to the Town's legislative delegation, CML and others."