

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

MARCH 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 ~110 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 SUPPORT ITEMS

SB 64: MODIFY COLORADO AGRICULTURAL FUTURE LOAN PROGRAM

Would expand the Agriculture Future Loan Program to allow districts that conduct water activities to eligible, including municipal water districts.

HB 1112: REGULATION OF UNDERGROUND INJECTION CONTROL WELLS

Would bring primacy for the permitting of aquifer storage and recovery wells to the State. Currently, the EPA handles permitting, which takes decades.

HB 1138: RETAIL THEFT PREVENTION PROGRAM

Would create a board to produce policy recommendations to combat organized felony-level retail theft, including a grant program to combat retail theft.

HB 1255: SOCIAL MEDIA DUTY TO REPORT & SEARCH WARRANTS

Would require social media platforms to provide a streamlined process for law enforcement contacts.

RECOMMENDED OPPOSE ITEMS

HB 1054: PROTECTIONS FOR WORKER SAFETY

Would allow the State to develop its own OSHA-like health and safety standards in the event that the Federal government weakens its requirements.

HB 1102: FUNDING FOR COLORADO DRIVES ACCOUNT

Would redirect HUTF fees to the Colorado Driver License, Record, Identification, and Vehicle Enterprise Solution (DRIVES) account, taking funding resources away from Town road maintenance.

HB 1114: ALLOWED MINIMUM LOT SIZE FOR SUBJECT JURISDICTIONS

Would prohibit local governments from requiring single-family lots to be larger than 2,000 square feet starting in October 2031.

HB 1272: EXTREME TEMPERATURES WORKER PROTECTIONS

Would require employers whose people work outside to have a plan in place to protect those workers from extreme hot and cold.

OPPOSED ITEMS UPDATES

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. *Passed the Senate and is headed to the House*

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. *Passed the Senate and is awaiting hearing in House Judiciary*

OPPOSED ITEMS UPDATES

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. *This bill was Pl'd in committee on Feb. 25*

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. *Passed Judiciary Committee and is in Appropriations*

OPPOSED ITEMS UPDATES

SB 100: YOUTH SPORTS SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

requires youth sports organizations and local governments to ensure that at least one adult present at all athletic activities holds current first aid, CPR and AED certification. All coaches and chaperones working directly with youth must complete a fingerprint-based criminal background check every three years. Individuals who have lived outside the United States for more than 180 days in the past 10 years must also complete an international background check. The bill disqualifies individuals convicted of specified serious felonies from serving as coaches or chaperones. The bill creates a civil private right of action against a youth sports organization or local government for failure to complete a required background check when an unsupervised individual who should have been screened causes harm and limits defenses based on ordinary negligence or oversight. *Hearing in Health & Human Services on April 1*

HB 1134: FAIRNESS & TRANSPARENCY IN MUNICIPAL COURT

Would create an unfunded mandate by requiring the live streaming of all municipal court proceedings where jail is a possible penalty, regardless of existing staffing levels or technology, among other provisions. *Passed the House and is headed to the Senate*

SUPPORTED ITEMS UPDATES

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. *Passed the Senate and hearing in House Judiciary on March 10*

HB 1021: SECOND AMENDMENT PROTECTION ACT (Brooks)

Would repeal various State laws related to firearms and other weapons. *This bill was Pl'd in committee on Feb. 17*



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.”