

LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

FEBRUARY 18, 2020
TOWN COUNCIL



OVERVIEW

- General Assembly in session January 8-May 6
- Staff monitors, but does not take any positions on, legislation unless Council directs it
- Several bills have been introduced that are of municipal interest – if Council is interested in information on any specific bills not addressed tonight, staff can provide an update at a future meeting

NEW ITEMS

FEE FOR MUNICIPAL WATER CUSTOMERS

SB 153 was postponed indefinitely late last week

COLORADO RIGHTS ACT

HB 1287 would allow people to sue for alleged violations of the Colorado Constitution.

The bill also removes the “qualified immunity” defense for municipal officials – particularly, police officers.

If passed, more claims and lawsuits are likely, resulting in higher settlements, damages, awards and attorneys fees.

Staff recommends opposing this bill.

UPDATES ON PAST ITEMS

PUBLIC OPTION HEALTHCARE

- To date, no 2020 legislation has been introduced related to this item

FPPA CONTRIBUTION INCREASE

- This legislation continues to move forward in the House; the fiscal impact for CRFD at full implementation could be about \$500,000 annually

TRANSPORTATION FUNDING

- SB 044, which would have credited State sales tax revenue to the HUTF, has been postponed indefinitely



DISCUSSION/DIRECTION?