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CCA Position: Support
Amendments were made that resolved CCA’s concerns with the original bill.

Section 1 of the bill defines "water efficiency savings" as that portion of a water right used solely for agricultural irrigation or stock watering purposes in water division 4, 5, 6, or 7 that is nonconsumptive under existing practices and that results from efficiency measures, determined as the difference between:

- The lesser of the decreed diversion amount and the maximum amount that had been historically diverted using the existing facilities for a beneficial use under reasonably efficient practices to accomplish without waste the purpose for which the appropriation was lawfully made; and
- The diverted amount needed to meet the decreed beneficial use after increased efficiency in the means of diversion, conveyance, storage, application, or use.

Section 2 allows water efficiency savings to be changed or loaned, pursuant to existing water court and water loan statutes, only to the Colorado water conservation board, only for instream use, and only if:

- The application was filed within 2 years after the diversions were decreased due to efficiency measures;
- The change or loan will not materially injure decreed water rights; and
- The change or loan will not adversely affect Colorado's interstate compact entitlements or obligations.

The change decree or loan approval must identify the amount of water efficiency savings and the stream reaches within which water efficiency savings, as changed or loaned, will be used. Water efficiency savings that have been changed or loaned are not subject to abandonment. The parties who enter into a change or loan of water efficiency savings may provide conditions by which the original decreed diversion rate may be preserved for a future use by the water right owner who implements the efficiency measures if use of the efficiency measures is discontinued.

Committee Assignments: Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy

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03/13/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed with Amendments
03/14/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed
03/31/2014 House Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources Lay Over Unamended - Amendment(s) Failed
04/30/2014 House Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources Refer Unamended
SB 14-093: CONCERNING EQUIVALENT AUTHORITY FOR PIPELINE COMPANIES TO ACQUIRE RIGHT-OF-WAY. - Jahn, Hodge, Tochtrop, Renfroe (May and Sonnenberg, Priola, Williams.)

CCA Position: Monitor

Article 5 of title 38, Colorado Revised Statutes, governs rights-of-way for transmission companies and grants the right of eminent domain to any domestic or foreign electric light power, gas, or pipeline company authorized to do business in Colorado for the purpose of obtaining rights-of-way for wires, pipes, regulator stations, substations, and systems needed to conduct its business. The bill specifies that, subject to state constitutional and statutory provisions that require payment of just compensation and otherwise govern the exercise of the power of eminent domain, companies that operate pipelines that convey oil, gasoline, or other petroleum or hydrocarbon products are pipeline companies granted the right of eminent domain. A pipeline company must also comply with all applicable laws and regulations including, but not limited to, federal pipeline safety regulations.
Amendments:
This bill has been amended and now includes a provision that requires a county or municipality that does not have the financial or staff resources to thoroughly evaluate the current and future safety risks of granting a pending siting application for a pipeline that is designed to transport hazardous liquids to seek professional assistance in evaluating such risks. The pipeline siting applicant must pay the costs of the professional assistance. The department of local affairs must notify all counties and municipalities of the requirement to seek professional assistance and must identify persons who can render such assistance for any county or municipality upon request. To see all versions of the bill please go to the following link: http://www.leg.state.co.us/clics/clics2014a/csl.nsf/fsbillcont2/E4292BBC297E713687257C360075F8F5?Open

FISCAL NOTES:

BILL LINK:

SB 14-103: CONCERNING THE PHASE-OUT OF THE SALE OF CERTAIN LOW-EFFICIENCY PLUMBING FIXTURES. - Kefalas (Ginal.)

CCA Position: Monitor

The bill defines a "watersense-listed plumbing fixture" as one that has been:

- Tested by an accredited third-party certifying body or laboratory in accordance with the federal environmental protection agency’s WaterSense program;
- Certified by such body or laboratory as meeting the performance and efficiency requirements of the program; and
- Authorized by the program to use its label.

Current law requires water-efficient indoor plumbing fixtures in only three contexts:

- Builders of new single-family detached residences must offer the buyers toilets, faucets, and showerheads that meet the current standards of the WaterSense program;
- Tank-type water closets and flushometer toilets in new state buildings must meet certain standards that are either less stringent than or as stringent as the current WaterSense standards; and
- New construction and renovation of residential structures and office, commercial, or industrial buildings must meet standards that are less stringent than the current WaterSense standards.
Section 1 of the bill prohibits the sale of lavatory faucets, shower heads, flushing urinals, tank-type toilets, and tank-type water closets on and after September 1, 2016, unless they are a watersense-listed plumbing fixture. Sections 2 through 5 amend or repeal conflicting portions of current law.

Committee Assignments: Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy

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01/24/2014 Introduced In Senate-Assigned to Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy
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05/02/2014 Sent to the Governor

Amendments:
This bill was slightly amended. To see all versions of the bill please go to the following link:

FISCAL NOTES:

BILL LINK:

SB 14-115: CONCERNING PROCEDURAL REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO STATE WATER PLANS, - Roberts and Schwartz (Fischer and Coram,)

CCA Position: Monitor

The bill requires the Colorado water conservation board to hold a hearing on a draft state water plan within each basin roundtable, update the plan based on public comments, and present the draft plan to the water resources review committee. The committee must vote on whether to introduce legislation that would approve the plan. The plan does not embody state water policy unless the general assembly, acting by bill, approves the plan.

Committee Assignments: Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy

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Appropriations
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04/30/2014 House Second Reading Special Order - Passed with Amendments - Committee
05/01/2014 House Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
05/02/2014 Senate Considered House Amendments - Result was to Concur - Repass
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05/12/2014 Sent to the Governor

Amendments:
This bill was amended. To see all versions of the bill please go to the following link:
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SB 14-158: CONCERNING THE HARMONIZATION OF STATUTORY RECALL ELECTION PROVISIONS WITH THE RECALL PROVISIONS IN THE STATE CONSTITUTION TO REFLECT THE MANNER IN WHICH CONTEMPORARY ELECTIONS ARE CONDUCTED, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, ALIGNING CIRCULATOR REGULATION AND PETITION REQUIREMENTS WITH INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM CIRCULATOR AND PETITION REQUIREMENTS. – Steadman and Jones, (Hullingshorst,)

CCA Position: Monitor

The bill makes various changes to the laws governing conduct of recall elections (recall laws).
Section 1 of the bill contains a nonstatutory legislative declaration.
Section 2 defines terms used in statutory and constitutional recall election provisions.
Section 3 prohibits a designated election official from suspending or avoiding the requirement that recall elections be conducted by mail ballot.
Section 4:
• Harmonizes the affidavit contents that recall petition circulators must execute with the affidavits that ballot initiative or petition circulators must execute;
Clarifies when the designated election official must certify a recall question to the ballot and call the election; and
Reorganizes for chronological clarity the provision setting forth the opportunity to resubmit signed petitions or circulator affidavits.
Section 5 applies the laws pertaining to initiative and referendum petitions and circulators to recall elections.
Section 6 conforms to the state constitution the statutory time within which a recall election date must be set by a designated election official and extends the election date in the case of protest and adjudication.
Section 7:
• Requires a designated election official to develop and submit to the secretary of state a mail ballot plan for a recall election;
• Specifies the times during which the office of the designated election official functions as a voter service and polling center and mail ballots must be sent; and
• Sets forth the number of voter service and polling centers required for each recall election.
Section 8 harmonizes with the state constitution the deadline by which a successor candidate must file his or her nomination petition and specifies the times within which such petitions must be verified and the recall election ballot certified.
Section 9 eliminates the statutory "prior participation requirement", i.e. the condition that an elector cast a vote on the question of recall in order to have his or her vote for a successor candidate counted.
Section 10:
• Allows an elector who is registered in the political subdivision of a recalled elected official to file a protest alleging that a winning successor candidate is not qualified to assume the recalled officer's office; and
• Requires a vacancy election if the court finds that the successor candidate is not qualified.
Section 11 specifies that, in case of conflict between the recall laws and other provisions of the "Uniform Election Code of 1992", the former controls.
Section 12 removes an obsolete reference to recall elections that appears under provisions governing petitions for candidacy in other types of elections. Previously, the statutes governing petitions for recall and petitions for candidacy were combined under a single statutory part. House Bill 95-1241 bifurcated the petition laws but neglected to amend this particular provision.
Section 13 applies the laws regarding recall of elected municipal officers to the recall of local government officers. Sections 14 and 15 make conforming amendments.

Committee Assignments: State, Veterans, & Military Affairs

Status: 03/17/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
03/21/2014 Senate Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Refer Amended to Senate Committee of the Whole
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03/27/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed with Amendments - Committee, Floor
03/28/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
03/28/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
04/07/2014 House Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Refer Unamended to House Committee of the Whole
04/14/2014 House Second Reading Laid Over Daily - No Amendments
04/16/2014 House Second Reading Passed with Amendments - Floor
04/17/2014 House Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
04/21/2014 Senate Considered House Amendments - Result was to Concur - Repass
SB 14-171: CONCERNING THE ABILITY OF THE COLORADO NEW ENERGY IMPROVEMENT DISTRICT TO ARRANGE FINANCING FOR WATER CONSERVATION FIXTURES—Schwartz and Jones, (Tyler)

CCA Position: Monitor

The Colorado new energy improvement district may arrange financing, secured by a lien on the affected real estate, for the installation of energy efficiency improvements in residences and commercial buildings. The bill adds water conservation fixtures to the definition of an "energy efficiency improvement".

Committee Assignments: Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy

Status: 03/27/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy  
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04/11/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed - No Amendments  
04/14/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
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05/07/2014 Sent to the Governor

Amendments:

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SB 14-188: CONCERNING MEASURES TO EFFECTUATE THE CONSERVATION OF NATIVE SPECIES IN COLORADO, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE SPECIES CONSERVATION TRUST FUND FOR PURPOSES RECOMMENDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES. – Schwartz and Baumgardner, (Fischer and Rankin)

CCA Position: Monitor

The bill appropriates money from the species conservation trust fund for programs submitted by the executive director of the department of natural resources that are designed to conserve native species that have been listed as threatened or endangered under state or federal law, or are candidate species or are likely to become candidate species as determined by the United States fish and wildlife service.

Committee Assignments: Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy

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Amendments:
This bill has been amended. To see all versions of the bill please go to the following link:
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FISCAL NOTES:
SB 14-191: CONCERNING THE PROCEDURES FOR RESOLUTION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION CLAIMS.—Tochtrop, (None)

CCA Position: Monitor

Section 1 of the bill explicitly authorizes the director of the division of workers' compensation (director), or an administrative law judge (ALJ) presiding over a workers' compensation case, to consider the medical treatment guidelines adopted by the director in determining whether certain medical treatment is appropriate.

Section 2 requires the director to adopt rules governing the approval of settlements in workers' compensation cases, including procedures for electronic transmission of documents and verification of signatures.

Sections 3 and 4 adjust the measurement of time within which a hearing must commence, from 100 days after the date the hearing is set to 120 days after the date of service of the request for hearing or the notice to set.

Section 5 extends the time for objection to a summary order by an ALJ from 7 days to 10 days.

Section 6 allows the director or an ALJ to summon out-of-state parties to appear, either in person or by telephone, at a hearing or deposition and authorizes sanctions for a failure to appear.

Section 7 sets a 30-day deadline for the director, ALJ, or administrative panel to comply with the directions accompanying the remand of a case or order by an appellate tribunal.

Section 8 allows a claimant to receive $75 per day, in addition to transportation and lodging, if the claimant is required to travel for a medical examination requested by the employer and misses work as a result.

Section 8 also requires an authorized physician to give written notice, with an explanation, to the claimant and the employer if the physician refuses to treat the claimant or discharges the claimant from medical care for a nonmedical reason. After receiving the notice, the employer has 15 days to select another physician before the claimant is allowed to select a physician independently.

Section 9 adjusts the maximum amount payable in a lump-sum settlement, replacing the current limit of $60,000 with a range of $80,868 to $161,734, depending on the number of claimants, to be adjusted periodically whenever adjustments are made to the state average weekly wage.

Committee Assignments: Business, Labor, & Technology

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04/30/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
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05/02/2014 House Second Reading Special Order - Passed - No Amendments
SB 14-195: CONCERNING A STUDY OF PHREATOPHYTE GROWTH ALONG THE SOUTH PLATTE RIVER IN THE AFTERMATH OF THE SEPTEMBER 2013 FLOOD.

Nicholson and Renfroe, (Singer and Sonnenberg, DelGrosso, Foote, Humphrey, Young)

CCA Position: Support

The bill directs the Colorado water conservation board to evaluate the growth and identification of phreatophytes, which are deep-rooted plants that absorb water from the water table or the layer of soil just above the water table, along the South Platte river in the aftermath of the September 2013 flood. The objectives of the study are to determine the relationship between high groundwater and nonbeneficial consumptive use by the phreatophytes and to develop a cost analysis for the removal of unwanted phreatophytes.

Committee Assignments: Local Government

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        04/30/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
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        05/05/2014 House Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources Refer Unamended to Appropriations
        05/06/2014 House Committee on Appropriations Refer Unamended to House Committee of the Whole
        05/06/2014 House Second Reading Special Order - Passed - No Amendments
        05/07/2014 House Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
        05/15/2014 Signed by the President of the Senate
        05/15/2014 Signed by the Speaker of the House
        05/15/2014 Sent to the Governor

Amendments:
This bill has been amended. To see all versions of the bill please go to the following link:

FISCAL NOTES:

BILL LINK:
Amendments:
This bill has been amended. To see all versions of the bill please go to the following link:
http://www.leg.state.co.us/clics/clics2014a/csl.nsf/fsbillcont2/31D1A1AFA880A95E87257C78005E7A93?Open

FISCAL NOTES:

BILL LINK:

Senate Joint Memorial

SJM 14-003: MEMORIALIZING FORMER SENATOR DAVE WATTENBERG. – Baumgardner, (Coram and Mitsch Bush)

CCA Position: Support

Be It Resolved by the Senate of the Sixty-ninth General Assembly of the State of Colorado, the House of Representatives concurring herein:

That, in the death of Senator Dave Wattenberg, the people of the state of Colorado have lost a dedicated public servant and outstanding citizen, and that we, the members of the Sixty-ninth General Assembly, do hereby extend our deep and heartfelt sympathy to the members of his family and pay tribute to a man who served his state well and faithfully.

Be It Further Resolved, That copies of this Joint Memorial be sent to Senator Wattenberg's wife, Mary Sharon Wells; his son, Ty Wattenberg; his wife's sons, Guy Morgan Wells and Joseph Brian Wells; his wife's sister, Sara Janet Freeman; the North Park Stockgrowers' Association; the National Western Association; the Colorado Farm Bureau; the North Park Pioneer Association; and the Colorado State Fair Board.

Committee Assignments:

Status: 04/15/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to
04/15/2014 Senate Third Reading Laid Over to 04/25/2014 - No Amendments
04/25/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed with Amendments - Floor
04/25/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to
04/25/2014 House Third Reading Passed - No Amendments

Amendments:

FISCAL NOTES:

BILL LINK:
The bill creates a natural disaster grant fund and directs the division of administration in the department of public health and environment (division) to award grants from the fund to local governments, including local governments accepting grants on behalf of and in coordination with not-for-profit public water systems, under rules promulgated by the water quality control commission for the planning, design, construction, improvement, renovation, or reconstruction of domestic wastewater treatment works and public drinking water systems that have been impacted, damaged, or destroyed in connection with a natural disaster. The division may only award grants to be used in counties for which the governor has declared a disaster emergency by executive order or proclamation under section 24-33.5-704, C.R.S.

The division is required to award grants for the 2014-15 fiscal year and, as needed, for the 2015-16 fiscal year, to eligible local governments that have domestic wastewater treatment works, public drinking water systems, or on-site wastewater treatment systems impacted, damaged, or destroyed in connection with the flood of September 2013.

The bill appropriates $12,000,000 to the fund. On September 1, 2015, the state treasurer is directed to transfer any unencumbered moneys remaining in the fund to the nutrients grant fund.

Committee Assignments: Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources

Status: 01/08/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources 02/03/2014 House Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources Witness Testimony and/or Committee Discussion Only 02/05/2014 House Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources Refer Amended to Appropriations 02/28/2014 House Committee on Appropriations Refer Unamended to House Committee of the Whole 02/28/2014 House Second Reading Passed 03/03/2014 House Third Reading Passed 03/05/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy 03/13/2014 Senate Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy Refer Unamended to Appropriations
HB 14-1005: CONCERNING CLARIFICATION OF THE REQUIREMENTS APPLICABLE TO A CHANGE OF POINT OF WATER DIVERSION. - Sonnenberg and Young, DelGrosso, Foote, Saine, Singer (Lundberg and Kefalas, Jones, Renfroe)

CCA Position: Support

A statute enacted in 1881 allows the owner of a ditch to relocate the ditch's headgate if changes to the stream prevent the headgate from effectuating the diversion. The "Water Right Determination and Administration Act of 1969" (1969 act) requires changes of water rights, including changes of points of diversion, to be adjudicated. The 1969 act does not exempt changes authorized by the 1881 act. The bill clarifies that a water right owner may relocate a ditch headgate pursuant to the 1881 act without filing for a change of water right under the 1969 act if the relocation does not physically interfere with the complete use or enjoyment of other water rights.

Committee Assignments: Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources

Status: 01/08/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources
01/27/2014 House Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources Refer Amended to House Committee of the Whole
01/29/2014 House Second Reading Passed with Amendments
01/30/2014 House Third Reading Passed
02/05/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy
02/20/2014 Senate Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy Refer Unamended to Senate Committee of the Whole
HB 14-1007: CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF COUNTY GOVERNMENTS TO LIMIT CERTAIN FORMS OF FIRE, AND, IN CONNECTION THERewith, PERMITTING COUNTY GOVERNMENTS TO PROHIBIT AGRICULTURAL BURNING DURING PERIODS OF HIGH FIRE DANGER AND TO PROHIBIT FIREWORKS ACTIVITY DURING THE SUMMER SEASON - Hamner, (None)

CCA Position: Monitor

Wildfire Matters Review Committee. In connection with the existing statutory authority permitting county governments to ban open fires to reduce the danger of wildfires, the bill permits counties to prohibit or restrict the ability of agricultural producers to conduct burning on their own property during periods when red flag warnings or fire weather watches have been issued by the national weather service.

In connection with the existing statutory authority permitting county governments to prohibit or restrict the sale, use, and possession of fireworks, the bill deletes existing statutory language limiting the use of such authority between May 31 and July 5 of each year in times of high fire danger.

Committee Assignments: Local Government

Status: 01/08/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Local Government
02/06/2014 House Committee on Local Government Refer Amended to House Committee of the Whole
02/11/2014 House Second Reading Laid Over Daily
02/13/2014 House Second Reading Passed with Amendments
02/14/2014 House Third Reading Passed
02/17/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Local Government
03/11/2014 Senate Committee on Local Government Refer Amended to Senate Committee of the Whole
03/14/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed with Amendments
03/17/2014 Senate Third Reading Laid Over Daily
03/17/2014 Senate Third Reading Reconsidered
03/17/2014 Senate Third Reading Laid Over to 05/08/2014
03/18/2014 Senate Third Reading Laid Over to 03/21/2014
03/21/2014 Senate Third Reading Laid Over to 03/28/2014
03/28/2014 Senate Third Reading Laid Over to 5/8/2014 - No Amendments

**Amendments:**
This bill has been amended including that restrictions to ag burns are limited to Red Flag Warnings and buts burden onto county to manage the responsibility of these restrictions. This bill also cannot impair any other ag burning. To see all versions of the bill please go to:
http://www.leg.state.co.us/clics/clics2014a/csl.nsf/fsbillcont2/103CC06E530E2FC087257C3000063028?Open

**FISCAL NOTES:**

**BILL LINK:**

**HB 14-1009:** CONCERNING CHANGING THE WILDFIRE MITIGATION INCOME TAX DEDUCTION TO THE WILDFIRE MITIGATION INCOME TAX CREDIT.- Exum, (Nicholson,)

CCA Position: Monitor

Wildfire Matters Review Committee. The bill changes the wildfire mitigation income tax deduction to the wildfire mitigation income tax credit. An income tax deduction reduces a taxpayer's taxable income, the amount to which the tax rate is applied. A tax credit reduces a taxpayer's tax liability by taking a dollar-for-dollar reduction in what is owed by what the credit allows. The bill allows a landowner a credit of 50% of the costs incurred in performing wildfire mitigation measures, not to exceed $2,500. Any amount in excess of the landowner's tax liability in the year the credit is first claimed may be carried forward to offset the landowner's future tax liability for 5 years.

**Committee Assignments:** Finance

**Status:** 01/08/2014 Introduced In House -Assigned to Finance
01/29/2014 House Committee on Finance Refer Amended to Appropriations
04/04/2014 House Committee on Appropriations Refer Amended to House Committee of the Whole
04/04/2014 House Second Reading Special Order - Passed with Amendments - Committee
04/07/2014 House Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
04/08/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Local Government
04/15/2014 Senate Committee on Local Government Witness Testimony and/or Committee Discussion Only
04/22/2014 Senate Committee on Local Government Refer Unamended to Appropriations
04/25/2014 Senate Committee on Appropriations Refer Unamended to Senate Committee of the
Amendments:
This bill has been amended. To see all versions of the bill please go to:
http://www.leg.state.co.us/clics/clics2014a/csl.nsf/fsbillcont2/14168649F974992C87257C30000630F3?Open

FISCAL NOTES:

BILL LINK:

HB 14-1010: CONCERNING CORRECTIONS TO STATUTORY PROVISIONS RELATING TO THE PRESCRIBED BURNING PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DIVISION OF FIRE PREVENTION AND CONTROL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY. - Hamner, (None)

CCA Position: Monitor

Wildfire Matters Review Committee. Senate bill 13-083 created a prescribed burning program under the division of fire prevention and control (division) in the department of public safety. The bill makes the following technical corrections to the laws pertaining to that program:

- In order to better conform to nationally accepted terminology, the bill replaces the term "certified prescribed burn manager" with "certified burner".
- Currently, prescribed burning standards promulgated by the director of the division must require that either a person certified by the division as a burn manager or a person qualified by national wildfire coordinating group standards as a prescribed burn boss to be present at a prescribed burn site. The bill withdraws the former from the category of persons qualified to attend to the burn.
- When a prescribed fire has been deemed escaped, current law requires that "contingency actions" be taken. The bill refers instead to "suppression actions" in such circumstances.

Committee Assignments: Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources

Status: 01/08/2014 Introduce in House - Assigned to Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources 01/29/2014 House Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources Refer Unamended to House Committee of the Whole 02/03/2014 House Second Reading Passed 02/04/2014 House Third Reading Passed 02/06/2014 Introduce in Senate - Assigned to Local Government 02/18/2014 Senate Committee on Local Government Refer Unamended - Consent Calendar to Senate Committee of the Whole 02/21/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed
HB 14-1021: CONCERNING THE PENALTY FOR VIOLATING A ROAD RESTRICTION-
Mitsch Bush and Hamner, Fischer, Tyler (None)

CCA Position: Monitor

Transportation Legislation Review Committee. The bill raises the fine for the operator of a commercial vehicle who violates a road closure or road restriction from $500 to $2,000, and, when the violation of a restriction (e.g., chains required) results in the closure of a travel lane, the fine is increased to $2,500. In addition, 2 license suspension points are imposed for each of these violations.

Committee Assignments: Transportation & Energy

Status: 01/08/2014 Introduced In House -Assigned to Transportation & Energy
01/23/2014 House Committee on Transportation & Energy Refer Amended to Appropriations
02/07/2014 House Committee on Appropriations Refer Unamended to House Committee of the Whole
02/10/2014 House Second Reading Passed with Amendments
02/11/2014 House Third Reading Passed
02/13/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Transportation
02/25/2014 Senate Committee on Transportation Refer Unamended to Senate Committee of the Whole
02/28/2014 Senate Second Reading Laid Over Daily
03/03/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed
03/04/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed
04/29/2014 Signed by the Speaker of the House
04/29/2014 Signed by the President of the Senate
04/30/2014 Sent to the Governor

Amendments:
This bill has been amended to read that the fine is $1,000 for driving a vehicle measuring 35 feet or longer over Independence Pass in violation of road restrictions. If the violation causes a road closure, the fine is raised to $1,500. The Colorado department of transportation is instructed to put up signs giving notice of the enhanced penalties. To see all versions of the bill please go to the following link:
HB 14-1030: CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF INCENTIVES FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF HYDROELECTRIC ENERGY SYSTEMS. - Coram and Mitsch Bush, Fischer, Sonnenberg, Vigil (Schwartz and Roberts, Hodge)

CCA Position: Monitor

Water Resources Review Committee. In order to promote the construction and operation of hydroelectric energy facilities in Colorado, the bill provides the following incentives:

- Section 1 of the bill requires the state electrical board to approve the installation of a motor as a generator for a hydroelectric energy facility if the installation would be approved but for the fact that the motor is not being used in a manner commensurate with its nameplate;
- Section 2 authorizes the department of natural resources to serve as the coordinating state agency for obtaining and compiling state agency comments about an application for a license or license exemption from the federal energy regulatory commission; and
- Section 3 incorporates community hydroelectric energy facilities into the community solar garden statute, so that a group of community members may jointly subscribe to and receive electricity from a small hydroelectric energy facility located in or near the community.

Committee Assignments: Transportation & Energy

Status: 01/08/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Transportation & Energy
02/05/2014 House Committee on Transportation & Energy Refer Amended to House Committee of the Whole
02/10/2014 House Second Reading Laid Over Daily
02/11/2014 House Second Reading Passed with Amendments
02/13/2014 House Third Reading Passed
02/17/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy
03/13/2014 Senate Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy Refer Unamended to Senate Committee of the Whole
03/18/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed
03/19/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed
04/29/2014 Signed by the Speaker of the House
04/29/2014 Signed by the President of the Senate
04/30/2014 Sent to the Governor

Amendments:
This bill has been amended. To see all versions of the bill please go to the following link:

FISCAL NOTES:

BILL LINK:


CCA Position: Monitor

Sunset Process - House Agriculture, Livestock and Natural Resources Committee. The bill continues the regulation of hunting and fishing outfitters by the director of the division of professions and occupations until 2025. The bill also:

- Clarifies that an outfitter entity may be disciplined for the acts of its principals;
- Sets the period of a registration revocation at two years;
- Authorizes the director of the division of professions and occupations to issue confidential letters of concern to outfitters;
- Authorizes the director to discipline a registered outfitter for failing to respond to a complaint;
- Changes the standard for discipline from being addicted to alcohol to excessively using alcohol; and
- Repeals the requirement that the director send a letter of admonition by certified mail.

Sections 9 through 20 of the bill make technical changes.

Committee Assignments: Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources

Status: 01/29/2014 Introduced In House-Assigned to Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources
02/12/2014 House Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources Refer Amended to Finance
03/06/2014 House Committee on Finance Refer Unamended to Appropriations
03/14/2014 House Committee on Appropriations Refer Unamended to House Committee of the Whole
03/17/2014 House Second Reading Laid Over Daily
03/18/2014 House Second Reading Passed with Amendments
03/19/2014 House Third Reading Passed
03/21/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy
04/09/2014 Senate Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy Witness Testimony and/or Committee Discussion Only
04/16/2014 Senate Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy Refer Amended to
Finance

04/22/2014 Senate Committee on Finance Refer Unamended to Appropriations
04/25/2014 Senate Committee on Appropriations Refer Unamended to Senate Committee of the Whole
04/29/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed with Amendments - Committee
04/30/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed - No Amendments

05/02/2014 House Considered Senate Amendments - Result was to Laid Over Daily
05/02/2014 House Considered Senate Amendments - Result was to Not Concur - Request Conference Committee
05/07/2014 Senate Consideration of First Conference Committee Report result was to Adopt Committee Report - Repass
05/07/2014 First Conference Committee Result was to Adopt Reengrossed w/ Amendments
05/07/2014 House Consideration of First Conference Committee Report result was to Adopt Committee Report - Repass

Amendments:
This bill was slightly amended. To see all versions of the bill please go to the following link:

FISCAL NOTES:

BILL LINK:

HB 14-1267: CONCERNING AUTHORIZATION FOR A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION OF THE STATE TO RELEASE BLACK-FOOTED FERRETS ON ITS LAND. - Fischer, (None)

CCA Position: Monitor

Current law requires legislative approval for the introduction or reintroduction of a threatened or endangered species that is not present in Colorado. The law has an exception for the black-footed ferret if introduced on private land and under a permit granted by the federal fish and wildlife service using a "safe harbor" agreement between the federal government and a consenting landowner.

The bill broadens the exception to allow a political subdivision of the state to introduce the ferrets on its own land if done in accordance with the same type of agreement.

Committee Assignments: Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources

Status: 02/04/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources
03/10/2014 House Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources Refer Amended to House Committee of the Whole
03/12/2014 House Second Reading Laid Over Daily
03/17/2014 House Second Reading Passed with Amendments
03/18/2014 House Third Reading Passed
03/21/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy
HB 1267 - CONCERNING LIMITS ON LIABILITY FOR AGRITOURISM.

Dore, Rankin, Buck, Everett, Fischer, Gerou, Holbert, Landgraf, Lawrence, Navarro, Nordberg, Priola, Scott, Sonnenberg, Swalm, Vigil, Wilson, Wright

CCA Position: Support

Current law limits the civil liability of persons involved in "agricultural recreation activities". The bill changes the terminology to "agritourism" and specifies that a participant in agritourism assumes the risks inherent in such activity. In order to claim the limited liability, a person involved in agritourism must notify the participant of the risks inherent in the activity and of the limited liability. The bill authorizes the notice to be in the form of a signed statement by the participant or a sign posted on the property.

Committee Assignments: Judiciary

Status: 02/14/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Judiciary
03/06/2014 House Committee on Judiciary Refer Amended to House Committee of the Whole
03/10/2014 House Second Reading Passed with Amendments
03/11/2014 House Third Reading Laid Over Daily
03/12/2014 House Third Reading Passed
04/04/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy
04/16/2014 Senate Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy Refer Amended to Senate Committee of the Whole
04/21/2014 Senate Second Reading Laid Over Daily - No Amendments
04/22/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed with Amendments - Committee
04/23/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
05/06/2014 House Considered Senate Amendments - Result was to Concur - Repass
05/06/2014 House Considered Senate Amendments - Result was to Laid Over Daily

FISCAL NOTES:
HB 14-1303: CONCERNING THE RECEIPT OF PUBLIC TESTIMONY FROM REMOTE LOCATIONS AROUND THE STATE BY LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES. - Scott and Ferrandino, (None)

CCA Position: Oppose

The bill vests the executive committee of the legislative council with the power and duty to consider, recommend, and establish policies regarding legislative committees taking public testimony from remote locations around the state.

Committee Assignments: State, Veterans, & Military Affairs

Status: 03/04/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
03/31/2014 House Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Refer Unamended to Appropriations
04/11/2014 House Committee on Appropriations Refer Amended to House Committee of the Whole
04/14/2014 House Second Reading Passed with Amendments - Committee
04/15/2014 House Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
04/15/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
04/23/2014 Senate Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Refer Amended to Legislative Council
04/25/2014 Senate Committee on Legislative Council Refer Unamended to Appropriations
04/29/2014 Senate Committee on Appropriations Refer Unamended - Consent Calendar to Senate Committee of the Whole
04/30/2014 Senate Second Reading Special Order - Passed with Amendments - Committee
05/01/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
05/02/2014 House Considered Senate Amendments - Result was to Concur - Repass
05/09/2014 Signed by the Speaker of the House
05/12/2014 Signed by the President of the Senate
05/12/2014 Sent to the Governor

Amendments:

FISCAL NOTES:

CCA Position: Monitor

The high cost support mechanism (HCSM) reimburses telecommunications service providers for some of the cost of providing telephone services to rural areas. The bill adds broadband service in unserved areas to the services that are reimbursable.

Section 1 of the bill defines terms including "broadband service", "broadband network", and "unserved area". Section 2 of the bill adds the provision of broadband networks in unserved areas to the purposes served through financial assistance from the HCSM. Section 2 also requires the department of regulatory agencies (department) to include information about the implementation and administration of the HCSM in its presentation to legislative committees.

Section 3 adds universal access to broadband service to the list of goals stated in the current expression of state policy concerning telecommunications policy and planning.

Section 4 creates a broadband fund and a broadband deployment board to facilitate the funding of projects to deploy broadband service into unserved areas of the state through the award of grants from moneys allocated to the provision of broadband service from the HCSM.

Section 5 repeals the functions of the broadband deployment board regarding its administration of the broadband fund on September 1, 2024, subject to a sunset review by the department of regulatory agencies.

Committee Assignments: Business, Labor, Economic, & Workforce Development

Status: 03/19/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Business, Labor, Economic, & Workforce Development
03/25/2014 House Committee on Business, Labor, Economic, & Workforce Development Refer Amended to Appropriations
04/08/2014 House Committee on Appropriations Refer Amended to House Committee of the Whole
04/08/2014 House Second Reading Special Order - Passed with Amendments - Committee, Floor
04/09/2014 House Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
04/11/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Business, Labor, & Technology + State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
04/16/2014 Senate Committee on Business, Labor, & Technology Refer Unamended to State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
04/21/2014 Senate Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Refer Unamended to Appropriations
04/23/2014 Senate Committee on Appropriations Refer Unamended to Senate Committee of the
HB 14-1332: CONCERNING WATER MANAGEMENT IN THE SOUTH PLATTE RIVER BASIN. - Fischer, Humphrey, Saine, Young (Hodge)

CCA Position: Oppose

In 2012, the Colorado water conservation board (board), in consultation with the state engineer and the Colorado water institute, conducted a study of historical hydrologic data and water administration in the South Platte river basin.

Section 1 of the bill implements recommendations set forth in the final report on the study through:

- Implementation of a study of the movement of water in the South Platte alluvial aquifer;
- Investigation into:
  - A reduction in the use of the administrative call on the South Platte river;
  - Use of upstream, out-of-priority water storage;
  - The development of aquifer management zones; and
  - The feasibility of creating a basin-wide management entity and basin-wide management protocols;
- Coordination of the installation of a real-time monitoring well network;
- Production of detailed hydrogeological maps of the alluvial aquifer by funding and implementing a helicopter electromagnetic and magnetic survey;
- Oversight of the ongoing development and implementation of the South Platte decision support system;
- Development of plans for multiple benefit storage options; and
- Implementation of a South Platte aquifer management plan pilot program to test management strategies intended to mitigate damaging high groundwater levels.

To further implement the recommendations set forth in the final report:

- Section 2 requires the state engineer and division engineer to review a water rights application or change in use application that requests approval of an alluvial aquifer recharge facility to
determine the viability of the proposed location of the recharge facility and the likelihood that the proposed recharge activity will contribute to or create damaging high groundwater levels; and

- **Section 3** requires the state engineer to promulgate rules for water division 1 to establish a framework for the voluntary movement of excess water supplies available for augmentation plan users and establish uniform and transparent reporting standards for augmentation plan accounting practices.

**Committee Assignments:** Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources

**Status:** 03/19/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources
04/16/2014 House Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources Refer Amended to Appropriations
04/23/2014 House Committee on Appropriations Refer Amended to House Committee of the Whole
04/23/2014 House Second Reading Special Order - Lost with Amendments - Committee

**Amendments:**

*FISCAL NOTES:*

*BILL LINK:*

**HB 14-1333: CONCERNING THE FUNDING OF COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD PROJECTS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.- Fischer and Coram, Garcia, Lebsock, McLachlan, Becker, Mitsch Bush, Rankin, Scott, Sonnenberg, Vigil (Schwartz and Harvey, Guzman, Jones, Tochtrop)**

**CCA Position: Monitor**

The bill appropriates the following amounts from the Colorado water conservation board (CWCB) construction fund for the following projects:

- $330,000 for continuation of the satellite monitoring system maintenance (section 1 of the bill);
- $175,000 for continuation of the weather modification program (section 2);
- $500,000 for continuation of the Colorado floodplain map modernization program (section 3);
- $500,000 for continuation of the watershed restoration program (section 4);
- $200,000 for the operation and maintenance of the statewide decision support system (section 6);
- $500,000 for the operation and maintenance of the Arkansas river decision support system (section 7);
- $500,000 for South Platte basin groundwater level data collection and analysis (section 8);
- $250,000 for Gunnison basin irrigation system planning and optimization (section 9);
- $100,000 for the implementation of drought mitigation strategies (section 10);
- $750,000 for continuation of the alternative agriculture water transfer sustainability grant program (section 11);
- $1,575,000 for the board to participate in the construction of Long Hollow reservoir (section 13);
• $87,769,000 for loans to special water districts to enable them to purchase storage space in the Chatfield reallocation project (section 14); and
• $43,430,000 to allow certain special water districts to participate in and construct the water infrastructure supply efficiency (WISE) project (section 15).

The bill also directs the state treasurer to transfer moneys on July 1, 2014, from the CWCB construction fund to restore the unencumbered balance in the following funds to the following amounts:
• $500,000 for the flood and drought response fund (section 5); and
• $1,200,000 for the litigation fund (section 12).

Section 16:
• Authorizes CWCB to receive and expend proceeds from its water allocation in the Animas-La Plata project, and section 17 authorizes CWCB to receive and expend proceeds from its partial storage ownership in the Chatfield reallocation project;
• Extends the CWCB's spending authority for the Windy Gap from July 1, 2014, to July 1, 2016; and
• Transfers $1,575,000 from the severance tax perpetual base fund to the CWCB construction fund for the board to participate in the construction of Long Hollow reservoir as specified in section 13.

Committee Assignments: Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources

Status: 03/20/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources
04/02/2014 House Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources Refer Unamended to Appropriations
04/10/2014 House Committee on Appropriations Refer Unamended to House Committee of the Whole
04/10/2014 House Second Reading Special Order - Passed - No Amendments
04/11/2014 House Third Reading Laid Over Daily - No Amendments
04/14/2014 House Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
04/15/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy
04/24/2014 Senate Committee on Agriculture, Natural Resources, & Energy Refer Unamended to Appropriations
04/25/2014 Senate Committee on Appropriations Refer Unamended to Senate Committee of the Whole
04/29/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed - No Amendments
04/30/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
05/14/2014 Signed by the Speaker of the House
05/14/2014 Signed by the President of the Senate
05/14/2014 Sent to the Governor

Amendments:

FISCAL NOTES:

BILL LINK:
HB 14-1371: CONCERNING PROPERTY TAXATION OF OIL AND GAS LEASEHOLDS AND LANDS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, SPECIFYING THAT THE WELLHEAD IS THE POINT OF VALUATION AND TAXATION FOR SUCH LEASEHOLDS AND LANDS.- Young, Buck (Granham, Tochtrop)

CCA Position: Monitor

The bill specifies that for property tax purposes, the wellhead is the point of valuation and taxation for oil and gas leaseholds and lands.

Committee Assignments: Finance

Status: 04/10/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Finance
04/17/2014 House Committee on Finance Refer Unamended to House Committee of the Whole
04/17/2014 House Second Reading Special Order - Passed - No Amendments
04/21/2014 House Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
04/21/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Finance
04/29/2014 Senate Committee on Finance Refer Unamended to Senate Committee of the Whole
05/01/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed - No Amendments
05/02/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
05/14/2014 Signed by the Speaker of the House
05/14/2014 Signed by the President of the Senate
05/14/2014 Sent to the Governor

Amendments:

FISCAL NOTES:

BILL LINK:


CCA Position: Monitor

Current law requires an employer or workers' compensation insurer to provide a list of at least 2 physicians or 2 corporate medical providers or one physician and one corporate medical provider to an injured employee from which to select a treating physician. The bill changes that number to 4 physicians and corporate medical providers.

Current law states that if there are fewer than 4 physicians or corporate medical providers within 30 miles of the employer's place of business, the employer or insurer may instead designate one physician.
or one corporate medical provider. The bill adds an exemption for rural areas where there are more than 3, but fewer than 9 physicians or corporate medical providers within 30 miles of the employer's place of business, the employer or insurer may instead designate 2 physicians or 2 corporate medical providers or a combination of the providers.

Committee Assignments: Business, Labor, Economic, & Workforce Development

Status: 04/16/2014 Introduced In House - Assigned to Business, Labor, Economic, & Workforce Development
04/22/2014 House Committee on Business, Labor, Economic, & Workforce Development Refer Unamended to House Committee of the Whole
04/23/2014 House Second Reading Special Order - Passed - No Amendments
04/24/2014 House Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
04/28/2014 Introduced In Senate - Assigned to State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
04/30/2014 Senate Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Refer Unamended to Senate Committee of the Whole
05/02/2014 Senate Second Reading Passed - No Amendments
05/05/2014 Senate Third Reading Passed - No Amendments
05/14/2014 Signed by the President of the Senate
05/14/2014 Signed by the Speaker of the House
05/14/2014 Sent to the Governor

Amendments:

FISCAL NOTES:

BILL LINK:

House Concurrent Resolutions

House Joint Resolutions
Ballot Initiatives

2013-2014 #48
Labeling Genetically Modified Food - Constitutional

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Petition Form Approved 06/18/2014

Initiative Link: http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acd7e51d3fc2b60b87257a3700571f9f/a640d2d7bdc6951987257bf700736be3?OpenDocument

Purpose: The major purposes of the proposed amendment to the Colorado Revised Statutes appear to be:
1. To require the labeling of genetically modified food beginning January 1, 2016.

CCA Perspective: This initiative could result in potential confusion for consumers and sets a poor precedence requiring labeling of products. There is also confusion on the part of livestock and the use of GMO crops as sources as feed.

2013-2014 #68
Restrictions on Pet Animal Euthanasia - Statutory

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Title Set 04/02/2014

Initiative Link: http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acd7e51d3fc2b60b87257a3700571f9f/1f0773cb6d02674587257c6e007a632c?OpenDocument

Purpose: The major purposes of the proposed amendment to the Colorado Revised Statutes appear to be:
1. To prohibit the euthanasia of pet animals except in cases in which a pet animal is experiencing extreme pain and suffering, has a contagious terminal disease, or is deemed irredeemably hostile or aggressive; and
2. To make Colorado the first “no kill” state in the union.

CCA Perspective: CCA believes that this initiative would set poor precedence in Colorado Law for animal treatment. CCA does not believe that animal care should be enshrined in Colorado law.

2013-2014 #75
Right to Local Self-Government - Constitutional

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Title Set - 03/19/2014
Initiative Link: http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acd7e51d3fe2b60b87257a370 0571f9f/2e5556fcd6d207887257c8500564ea2/$FILE/2013-2014%20%2375.pdf

Purpose: The major purposes of the proposed amendment to the Colorado constitution appear to be:
1. Stating that the people of Colorado have a right to local self-government.
2. Providing that this right to local self-government cannot be preempted by any other state, federal, or other law, or any other limitations set forth by the constitution of the state of Colorado.

CCA Perspective: This initiative could result in potential harmful impacts to private property rights.

2013-2014 #82
Local Control of Oil and Gas Development - Constitutional

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Title Set 04/16/2014

Initiative Link: http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acd7e51d3fe2b60b87257a370 0571f9f/6a2ddbd24ad0bca7187257c8600802644?OpenDocument

Purpose: The major purpose of the proposed amendment to the Colorado constitution appears to be to allow cities, counties, and towns to enact restrictions on the time, location, and methods used for oil and gas development.

CCA Perspective: CCA believes that this initiative could have a potential harmful impact to private property rights.

2013-2014 #89
Local Government Regulation of Environment

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Title Set 04/02/2014

Initiative Link: http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acd7e51d3fe2b60b87257a370 0571f9f/0045a1bb869cfc3587257c900080861d/$FILE/2013-2014%2389.pdf

Purpose: The major purposes of the proposed amendment to the Colorado Constitution appear to be:
1. Create a public right to the environment; and
2. Effectuate that right by:
   a. Designating the state and local governments as trustees with a duty to conserve the environment; and
   b. Authorizing local governments to enact laws that are more protective of the environment than state law.
CCA Perspective: CCA believes that this initiative could have a potential harmful impact to private property rights.

### 2013-2014 #97
**Care of Livestock - Statutory**

**CCA Position: Oppose**

**Status:** Title Set 04/16/2014

**Initiative Link:**
[http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/979a0571f9f/e73dc50f83721b4d87257c9400805a4b?OpenDocument](http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/979a0571f9f/e73dc50f83721b4d87257c9400805a4b?OpenDocument)

**Purpose:** The major purpose of the proposed amendment to the Colorado Revised Statutes appears to be to repeal the exemption of accepted animal husbandry practices used in the care of companion and livestock animals from the animal cruelty statutes.

CCA Perspective: Mike Callicrate and Angela Smith have introduced this initiative with the assistance of the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS). This initiative would eliminate an affirmative defense for livestock producers implementing industry accepted animal husbandry practices. This initiative will likely result in an unimaginable amount of litigation for livestock producers and will likely have a hugely negative impact on livestock production in Colorado.

### 2013-2014 #98
**Protection of and Prevention of Cruelty to Livestock Animals - Constitutional**

**CCA Position: Oppose**

**Status:** Title Set 04/16/2014

**Initiative Link:**
[http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/979a0571f9f/e8309b22e491ce7887257c940080c01b?OpenDocument](http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/979a0571f9f/e8309b22e491ce7887257c940080c01b?OpenDocument)

**Purpose:** The major purpose of the proposed amendment to the Colorado constitution appears to be to constitutionally prohibit people accused of violating laws relating to the protection of animals from asserting an affirmative defense that the animal was treated in accordance with accepted animal husbandry practices.

CCA Perspective: Similarly to Initiative #97, Mike Callicrate and Angela Smith have introduced this initiative with the assistance of the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS). This initiative would eliminate an affirmative defense for livestock producers implementing industry accepted animal husbandry practices. This initiative will likely result in an unimaginable amount of litigation for livestock producers and will likely have a hugely negative impact on livestock production in Colorado.
2013-2014 #99
Bovine Tail Docking - Statutory

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Title Set 04/16/2014

Initiative Link: http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acd7e51d3fc2b60b87257a3700571f9f/a94b3fcb9a24a4ab87257c940080f388?OpenDocument

Purpose: The major purpose of the proposed amendments to the Colorado Revised Statutes and the Colorado constitution appears to be to repeal the exemption of accepted animal husbandry practices used in the care of companion and livestock animals from the animal cruelty statutes.

CCA Perspective: Mike Callicrate and Angela Smith have introduced this initiative with the assistance of the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS). This initiative will result in a Class 2 Misdemeanor for any individual who docks a cattle’s tail. Though not a common practice, CCA does not in shrine animal practices in law.

2013-2014 #100
Bovine Tail Docking - Constitutional

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Title Set 04/14/2014

Initiative Link: http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acd7e51d3fc2b60b87257a3700571f9f/cc1b8af71101cf1087257c9400812487?OpenDocument

Purpose: The major purpose of the proposed amendments to the Colorado Revised Statutes and the Colorado constitution appears to be to repeal the exemption of accepted animal husbandry practices used in the care of companion and livestock animals from the animal cruelty statutes.

CCA Perspective: Similar to Initiative #99 Mike Callicrate and Angela Smith have introduced this initiative with the assistance of the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS). This initiative will result in a Class 2 Misdemeanor for any individual who docks a cattle’s tail. Though not common practice, CCA does not promote enshrining animal practices into law.

2013-2014 #101
Dairy Cattle Protection - Constitutional

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Title Set 04/16/2014
**Initiative Link:**
http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acd7e51d3fc2b60b87257a3700571f9f/2892eadf238e88fd87257c94008154db?OpenDocument

**Purpose:** The major purpose of the proposed amendments to the Colorado Constitution and the Colorado Revised Statutes appears to be to repeal the exemption of accepted animal husbandry practices used in the care of companion and livestock animals from the animal cruelty statutes.

**CCA Perspective:** Mike Callicrate and Angela Smith have introduced this initiative with the assistance of the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS). CCA does not promote enshrining animal practices into law and believe that this initiative sets unreasonable standards into law.

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**2013-2014 #102**

**Dairy Cattle Protection - Statutory**

**CCA Position: Oppose**

**Status:** Title Set 04/16/2014

**Initiative Link:**
http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acd7e51d3fc2b60b87257a3700571f9f/d9248a1a82cd010287257c9400817fcb?OpenDocument

**Purpose:** The major purpose of the proposed amendments to the Colorado Constitution and the Colorado Revised Statutes appears to be to repeal the exemption of accepted animal husbandry practices used in the care of companion and livestock animals from the animal cruelty statutes.

**CCA Perspective:** The sister bill to #101, Mike Callicrate and Angela Smith have introduced this initiative with the assistance of the Humane Society of the United States (HSUS). CCA does not promote enshrining animal practices into law and believe that this initiative sets unreasonable standards into law.

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**2013-2014 #103**

**Public Trust Resources - Constitutional**

**CCA Position: Oppose**

**Status:** Title Set 04/16/2014

**Initiative Link:**
http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acd7e51d3fc2b60b87257a3700571f9f/f40fa17e3fc9eb87257c99004e8989/$FILE/2013-2014%20%23103.pdf

**Purpose:** (1) THE PEOPLE OF COLORADO HAVE AN INALIENABLE RIGHT TO CLEAN AIR, CLEAN WATER, INCLUDING GROUND AND SURFACE WATER, AND THE PRESERVATION OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND NATURAL RESOURCES, REFERRED TO IN THIS SECTION AS “PUBLIC TRUST RESOURCES”...PUBLIC TRUST RESOURCES ARE THE COMMON
PROPERTY OF ALL THE PEOPLE, … (2) THE STATE GOVERNMENT AND ITS AGENTS, AS TRUSTEES, SHALL PROTECT THESE PUBLIC TRUST RESOURCES AGAINST SUBSTANTIAL IMPAIRMENT, INCLUDING POLLUTION FROM EXTERNAL SOURCES… THE STATE SHALL SEEK NATURAL RESOURCE DAMAGES FROM THOSE ENTITIES THAT CAUSE SUBSTANTIAL IMPAIRMENT OF PUBLIC TRUST RESOURCES AND USE SUCH FUNDS TO REMEDIATE THE HARM. (3) ANY COLORADO CITIZEN, AS A BENEFICIARY OF THESE PUBLIC TRUST RESOURCES, MAY PETITION A COURT OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION TO DEFEND AND PRESERVE SUCH RESOURCES AGAINST SUBSTANTIAL IMPAIRMENT, AND TO ENSURE THAT THE STATE IS MEETING ITS OBLIGATIONS TO PRUDENTLY MANAGE SUCH RESOURCES AS A TRUSTEE. REMEDIES MAY BE GRANTED IN BOTH LAW AND EQUITY…

CCA Perspective: CCA believes that this initiative would result in loss of the private property water rights and result in overriding current water law. The concern is that with the growing population in Colorado, farmers and ranchers will take the brunt of this law and have a hugely negative impact on their livelihoods, private enterprises, the state, and all private property rights.

2013-2014 #115
Environmental Rights- Constitutional

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Letter Issued 04/03/2014

Initiative Link: http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acd7e51d3fc2b60b87257a3700571f9f/e263f8af294db28887257ca10070a09e?OpenDocument

Purpose: (1) THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO FIND AND DECLARE THAT COLORADO’S ENVIRONMENT IS THE COMMON PROPERTY OF ALL COLORADANS; CONSERVATION OF COLORADO’S ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING ITS CLEAN AIR, PURE WATER, AND NATURAL AND SCENIC VALUES IS FUNDAMENTAL; AND COLORADO’S ENVIRONMENT SHOULD BE PROTECTED AND PRESERVED FOR ALL COLORADANS, INCLUDING GENERATIONS YET TO COME.
(2) THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO, INCLUDING FUTURE GENERATIONS, HAVE A RIGHT TO COLORADO’S ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING ITS CLEAN AIR, PURE WATER, AND NATURAL AND SCENIC VALUES. AS TRUSTEES OF THIS RESOURCE, THE STATE AND LOCAL GOVERNMENTS SHALL CONSERVE COLORADO’S ENVIRONMENT, INCLUDING ITS CLEAN AIR, PURE WATER, AND NATURAL AND SCENIC VALUES FOR THE BENEFIT OF ALL THE PEOPLE. THIS SECTION APPLIES TO THE STATE OF COLORADO AND TO EVERY COLORADO CITY, TOWN, COUNTY, AND CITY AND COUNTY, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF ARTICLE XX, OR SECTION 16 OF ARTICLE XIV, OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION.
(3) ALL PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION OF ARTICLE II OF THE COLORADO CONSTITUTION ARE SELF-EXECUTING AND SEVERABLE. TO FACILITATE THE CONSERVATION OF COLORADO’S ENVIRONMENT, LOCAL GOVERNMENTS HAVE THE POWER TO ENACT LAWS, REGULATIONS, ORDINANCES, AND CHARTER PROVISIONS THAT ARE MORE RESTRICTIVE AND PROTECTIVE OF THE ENVIRONMENT THAN LAWS OR REGULATIONS
ENACTED OR ADOPTED BY THE STATE GOVERNMENT. IF ANY LOCAL LAW OR REGULATION ENACTED OR ADOPTED PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION CONFLICTS WITH A STATE LAW OR REGULATION, THE MORE RESTRICTIVE AND PROTECTIVE LAW OR REGULATION GOVERNS.

CCA Perspective: CCA believes that this initiative would result in loss of the private property rights.

2013-2014 #116
Local Government Control of Oil and Gas Operations- Constitutional

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Letter Issued 04/03/2014

Initiative Link: http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acd7e51d3fc2b60b87257a3700571f9f/19e2807eaf79ac9987257ca100711e20?OpenDocument

Purpose: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO FIND AND DECLARE:
(a) THAT THE CONDUCT OF OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS, INCLUDING THE USE OF HYDRAULIC FRACTURING, MAY IMPACT PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT;
(b) THAT ANY IMPACTS ARE EXPERIENCED MOST DIRECTLY IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES; AND
(c) THAT TO PRESERVE THE PUBLIC'S HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT, THE PEOPLE DESIRE TO EXPAND THE AUTHORITY OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS BY VESTING IN THEM THE RIGHT TO REGULATE OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS.

CCA Perspective: CCA believes that this initiative would result in loss of the private property rights.

2013-2014 #117
Mandatory Setback of Oil and Gas Wells- Constitutional

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Letter Issued - 04/03/2014

Initiative Link: http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acd7e51d3fc2b60b87257a3700571f9f/b662797a5e7002ae87257ca100761f94?OpenDocument

Purpose: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO FIND AND DECLARE:
(a) THAT THE CONDUCT OF OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS, INCLUDING THE USE OF HYDRAULIC FRACTURING, MAY IMPACT PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT;
(b) THAT ANY IMPACTS ARE EXPERIENCED MOST DIRECTLY IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES;
(c) THAT SUCH IMPACTS ARE MINIMIZED AND MITIGATED BY LOCATING WELLS AWAY FROM OCCUPIED STRUCTURES; AND
(d) THAT TO PRESERVE THE PUBLIC’S HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT, THE PEOPLE DESIRE TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE SETBACK REQUIRING NEW OIL AND GAS WELLS BE LOCATED AWAY FROM OCCUPIED STRUCTURES, INCLUDING HOMES, SCHOOLS AND HOSPITALS.

CCA Perspective: CCA believes that this initiative would result in loss of the private property rights.

2013-2014 #118
Mandatory Setback of Oil and Gas Wells- Constitutional

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Letter Issued 4/03/2014

Initiative Link:
http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acad7e51d3fc2b60b87257a3700571f9f/45e6328fa20f38ac87257ca10076d2a3?OpenDocument

Purpose: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO FIND AND DECLARE:
(a) THAT THE CONDUCT OF OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS, INCLUDING THE USE OF HYDRAULIC FRACTURING, MAY IMPACT PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT;
(b) THAT ANY IMPACTS ARE EXPERIENCED MOST DIRECTLY IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES;
(c) THAT SUCH IMPACTS ARE MINIMIZED AND MITIGATED BY LOCATING WELLS AWAY FROM OCCUPIED STRUCTURES; AND
(d) THAT TO PRESERVE THE PUBLIC’S HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT, THE PEOPLE DESIRE TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE SETBACK REQUIRING NEW OIL AND GAS WELLS BE LOCATED AWAY FROM OCCUPIED STRUCTURES, INCLUDING HOMES, SCHOOLS AND HOSPITALS.

CCA Perspective: CCA believes that this initiative would result in loss of the private property rights.

2013-2014 #119
Mandatory Setback of Oil and Gas Wells- Constitutional

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Letter Issued 4/03/2014

Initiative Link:
http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefr.nsf/acad7e51d3fc2b60b87257a3700571f9f/551bdd7744c690a687257ca100774e13?OpenDocument

Purpose: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO FIND AND DECLARE:
(a) THAT THE CONDUCT OF OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS, INCLUDING THE USE OF HYDRAULIC FRACTURING, MAY IMPACT PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT;
(b) THAT ANY IMPACTS ARE EXPERIENCED MOST DIRECTLY IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES;
(c) THAT SUCH IMPACTS ARE MINIMIZED AND MITIGATED BY LOCATING WELLS AWAY FROM OCCUPIED STRUCTURES; AND
(d) THAT TO PRESERVE THE PUBLIC’S HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT, THE PEOPLE DESIRE TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE SETBACK REQUIRING NEW OIL AND GAS WELLS BE LOCATED AWAY FROM OCCUPIED STRUCTURES, INCLUDING HOMES, SCHOOLS AND HOSPITALS.

CCA Perspective: CCA believes that this initiative would result in loss of the private property rights.

2013-2014 #120
Mandatory Setback of Oil and Gas Wells- Constitutional

CCA Position: Oppose

Status: Letter Issued 4/03/2014

Initiative Link:
http://www.leg.state.co.us/LCS/Initiative%20Referendum/1314InitRefref.nsf/acd7e51d3fc2b60b87257a3700571f9f/41237e8540ca673087257ca10077adec?OpenDocument

Purpose: THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF COLORADO FIND AND DECLARE:
(a) THAT THE CONDUCT OF OIL AND GAS OPERATIONS, INCLUDING THE USE OF HYDRAULIC FRACTURING, MAY IMPACT PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT;
(b) THAT ANY IMPACTS ARE EXPERIENCED MOST DIRECTLY IN LOCAL COMMUNITIES;
(c) THAT SUCH IMPACTS ARE MINIMIZED AND MITIGATED BY LOCATING WELLS AWAY FROM OCCUPIED STRUCTURES; AND
(d) THAT TO PRESERVE THE PUBLIC’S HEALTH, SAFETY, WELFARE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT, THE PEOPLE DESIRE TO ESTABLISH A STATEWIDE SETBACK REQUIRING NEW OIL AND GAS WELLS BE LOCATED AWAY FROM OCCUPIED STRUCTURES, INCLUDING HOMES, SCHOOLS AND HOSPITALS.

CCA Perspective: CCA believes that this initiative would result in loss of the private property rights.

2013-2014 #121
FAIR DISTRIBUTION OF OIL AND GAS REVENUE - Statutory

CCA Position: Support

Status: Title Set 04/16/2014
Purpose: The major purpose of the proposed amendment to the Colorado Revised Statutes appears to be to prohibit a local government that in any way affects oil and gas production or development from receiving public revenue related to oil and gas production or development and to redistribute that revenue to other local governments.

CCA Perspective:

2013-2014 #122
Local Regulation of Oil and Gas Development - Constitutional

CCA Position: Support

Status: Title Set 04/16/2014

Purpose: The major purpose of the proposed amendment to the Colorado constitution appears to be to prohibit local governments from adopting oil and gas laws that are more restrictive than or conflict with state law.

CCA Perspective:

2013-2014 #123
Local Regulation of Oil and Gas Development - Constitutional

CCA Position: Support

Status: Title Set 04/16/2014

Purpose: The major purposes of the proposed amendment to the Colorado constitution appear to be:
1. To authorize local governments to adopt laws regulating land use and planning within their jurisdictions; and
2. To specify that such laws regarding oil and gas development or operations can:
   a. Be no more restrictive than or conflict with state law; and
   b. Include an impact fee to mitigate local governments' direct costs.

CCA Perspective: