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STATE LEGISLATION AFFECTING WOMEN

Bill #	Sponsor	Title	Com	Rated**
110	Morse	Sunset Civil Rights Div & Commission	Conc	+l,9,o,u,d,y,w,v
241	Morse	DNA Testing Felony Arrestee	Conc	+v
247	Tochtrop	Expand Unemployment Insurance Benefits Federal Stimulus Money	Conc	+9,l,v,a,d
AWAITING GOVERNOR'S SIGNATURE				
68	Morse	Funding for Domestic Abuse Services		+v,d,a,l,w,z,b,s,9,u
88	Veiga	State Group Benefits Domestic Partners		+l,9,f,w
90	Hudak	Parental Involvement in Education		
228	Morse	Flexibility to Use State Revenue		+l,c,a,v,d,h,9
1020	Acree	Expedite Medical Program Reenrollment		+a,n,l,o,d,9,w
1057	Kerr, A	Parental Leave Academic Activities		+9,d,g,l,c,a,w
1064	Kefalas	Econ Opportunity Poverty Task Force		+a,d,9,l,w,v,e,t,r,p,o,c
1123	Lambert	Human Smuggling Trafficking Servitude		+d,w
1224	Schaffer, S	No Gender Individual Health Insurance Rates		+l,o,u,d,f,w,9
1353	Miklosi	Medical Benefits Legal Immigrants		+l,9
SIGNED INTO LAW				
33	Sandoval	Early Childhood Education Services Free Lunch		+a,l,w,9
44	Boyd	Admin Procedures & Dept Human Services		
53	Tochtrop	Colorado Works Assign Child Support		+b
55	Isgar	Family Resource Center Program		
100	Newell	Noncustodial Parent Colo Works		+v
179	Tochtrop	Communicable Disease Control		+l
210	Tapia	Tobacco Settlement Health Programs		
211	Keller	Delay Child Health Plan Expansion		
225	Boyd	Birth Control Protection Act		+n,p,l,g,w,d,f
1007	Frangas	Domestic Violence Collaborative Management		+l,v
1054	Looper	UI Award Military Death Surviving Spouse		+l,9
1103	Riesberg	Presumptive Eligibility Long-term Care		+o,h
1109	Priola	Foreclosure Protect Delinquency Default		+o
1139	Solano	Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorders		
1164	Primavera	Surcharge Breast Cancer Special Plates		+l,k,d
1179	Labuda	Address confidentiality Program Eligibility		+u,b,v
1260	Ferrandino	Colorado Designated Beneficiary Agreements		+l,9,w
1293	Reisberg	Medicaid Hospital Provider Fee		+l,w,a,h,9
KILLED				
9	Boyd	Add Adult Dental to Medicaid and CHP+	sHHS	+d,a,l,w
11	Boyd	Behavior Health Commission	sHHS	+m,u,b
82	Schultheis	Repeal TABOR Refund Mechanism	sSA	-l
159	Sandoval	Dependent Care Coverage to Unmarried Child	hBUS	+c,l
170	Romer	Nondiscrimination in Higher Education Funding	sAPP	+l,9,g
1075	Middleton	DHS Criminal Prohibitions to Employment	hAPP	-j
1087	Green	Child Sex Offense Civil Action Accrual	hJUD	
1210	McGihon	Mandatory Paid Sick Leave	hBUS	+l,9,d,a,v,c,w
1273	Kefalas	Health Care for Colorado	h3rd	+a,c,w

*HHS=Health & Human Services; ED=Education; JUD=Judiciary; APP -Appropriations ; BLT=Business,Labor and Technology; SA=State Affairs; BUS=Business ; TRA = Transportation ; AGR= Agriculture; LG=Local Government ; FIN=Finance h=House s=Senate **+=support, -=oppose

a=All Families Deserve a Chance (AFDC) Coalition ;b=Business and Professional women; c=Colorado Social Legislation Committee; d=Denver Women's Commission; e=CWEE; f= Colorado Women's Bar; g-Colo Coalition for Girls; h=Colo Consumer Health Initiative; j=Colo Criminal Justice Reform coalition; k=Colo Ovarian Cancer Alliance; l=Women's Lobby; m=Colo Assn of Alcohol & Drug Service Providers; n=NARAL ProChoice Colorado; o=AARP; p= planned parenthood ; r=Women's Resource Agency; s=SafeHouse Denver; t=Project Wise; u=AAUW; v=Colo Coalition Against Domestic Violence; w=Ntl Council Jewish Women; 9=9 to5 National Association of Working Women;y=Colo Black Women for Political Action; z=Zonta

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Temporary Assistance to Needy Families/Human Services

SB 53 would no longer require TANF recipients to sign over past child support awarded, only the child support which accrues AFTER they qualify for TANF.

SB 100 would allow use of TANF fund to serve all non custodial parents in Child Support Enforcement employment and training programs, not just non-custodial parents of children on TANF

Poverty

HB 1065 would establish a legislative task force, charged with developing and implementing a plan to reduce poverty in half in ten years.

SB 247 updates unemployment insurance laws as required to receive \$127,000,000 in federal stimulus unemployment insurance dollars. More very low wage workers would qualify. Also those who quit jobs to care for ill immediate family members.

Sexual Assault and Domestic Violence Programs

SB 68 would add a \$20 fee to marriages and an \$10 fee to divorces. The money would fund domestic violence programs, including legal services. Half of the money would be earmarks for five year for families of the military and veterans.

SB 241 would require all felony arrestees to give a DNA sample for use in comparing to unsolved cases

Health Care

SB 9 would have added certain preventative dental procedures to benefits offered to pregnant and post partum women on Medicaid and Child Health Plan.

SB 11 creates a Behavioral Health Commission to integrate mental health and substance abuse treatment.

SB 179 would require HIV testing of all pregnant women to avert passing HIV to babies. Has opt-out provision.

HB 1020 would allow parents to renew eligibility for Medicaid and Child Health Plan via phone or internet.

HB 1139 would create a Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder Committee to design advisory notices to be displayed which alcohol is dispensed, warning of the link between alcohol and Fetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder. Can also make other related recommendations.

HB 1164 would add a \$25 surcharge on special breast cancer license plates. The money would go for treatment of those uninsured, low income women currently ineligible for the Breast and Cervical Cancer Treatment Act because they were diagnosed with the cancer at a location which is not a participating site of the Breast and Cervical Cancer Screening Program.

HB 1210 would require businesses of 5 or more to provide paid sick leave for their employees.

HB 1224 Would prohibit rating (charging different amounts) based on gender in individual health insurance policies

HB 1273 would create a board to design a universal, single payer health care system for Colorado.

HB 1293 would create a hospital fee which once collected could draw down matching dollars to be allocated to increase reimbursement to hospitals and expand coverage of uninsured.

Employment

SB 110 would continue the Colorado Civil Rights Division and Commission. It would add the ability to get compensatory and punitive damages and attorney fees for those who win employment discrimination cases.

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Education

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SB 170 would allow students who have attended and graduated from Colorado High Schools to be considered as residents for in-state tuition regardless of immigration status

SB 90 would add parents to various education-related advisory committees.

GLBT

SB 88 would let state employees cover domestic partners with state employee benefits

HB 1260 would allow people to have a designated beneficiary charged with legal authority and benefits similar to a spouse.

BUDGET

SB 228 would eliminate the 6% annual growth cap for the general fund. While we would still have the TABOR growth cap, this would allow legislators to allocate available TABOR funds, rather than mandate that funds above the 6% go only to transportation and capitol construction.

SB 211 delays to approved expansion of the Child Health from 205% of Federal poverty level to 225% of federal poverty level, due to lack of funds. The State would retain the right to increase this ceiling by vote of State Medical Service Board if money became available.