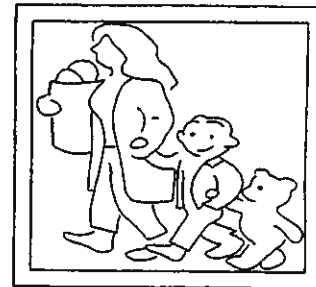


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**Economic Opportunity and Poverty Reduction Task Force  
AFDC Positions on Proposed Legislation**

**HB 1002 "Priority Of TABOR Refund Methods," Sponsor: Representative Kefalas**

**\*AFDC Position: Support, Priority Bill**

- Increases the threshold necessary to trigger a temporary income tax rate reduction as a method to provide a constitutionally required refund of excess state revenues so that the rate reduction does not occur unless there is also an earned income tax credit refund.

**HB 1023 Clarify Employer Liability for Negligent Hiring Practices Regarding persons with Criminal Record Sponsor: Representative Waller**

**AFDC Position: Support**

- Prohibits information regarding an employee's criminal record from being introduced as evidence in a civil action against an employer if the nature of the criminal history does not bear a direct relationship to the facts underlying the cause of action or if the record of an arrest or charge did not result in a criminal conviction.
- This only codifies what is existing civil law practice.

**SB 6 "Identification Documents Reduce Poverty," Sponsor: Senator Boyd**

**\*AFDC Position: Support, Priority Bill**

- Provides for a fee waiver for county departments of social or human services and low-income individuals referred by these departments to obtain certified copies of Colorado birth certificates.
- Provides for a fee waiver of the cost of a state identification card for individuals referred by, or released within the prior 6 months from, the department of corrections, division of youth services or county jail.
- Authorizes county court judges to utilize their discretion to allow a legal name change for certain individuals convicted of a felony.

**SB 10 "Statewide Strategic Use Fund Evaluation," Sponsor: Senator Boyd**

**AFDC Position: Support**

- Authorizes the Department of Human Services to use a portion of existing appropriations to conduct an independent evaluation of the statewide strategic use fund.

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**HB 1022 "Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program Outreach," Sponsor:  
Representative Summers**

**\*AFDC Position: Support, Priority Bill**

- Requires the state board to develop and implement a state outreach plan with the use of private and federal moneys to promote access to federal food benefits by eligible persons. Allows the state board to partner or contract with one or more nonprofit organizations to develop and implement the outreach plan.
- Removes asset test for eligibility
- Increases the gross income test to 200% of federal poverty level (though net income after deducted expenses must still fall under 100% of FPL).

**SB 9 "Economic Opportunity Task Force" Sponsor: Senator Sandoval**

**\*AFDC Position: Support, Priority Bill**

- Specifies that the duties of the economic opportunity poverty reduction task force (task force) include developing a relevant, fluid model for assessing progress toward reducing poverty and increasing economic opportunity in Colorado.
- Provides that the task force will recommend that the general assembly adopt the task force's model for purposes of evaluating the effectiveness of certain public programs and policies in achieving the goals of the task force.

**HB 1017 "Voluntary Agreement Affecting Rent Private Residential Property," Sponsor:  
Representative Kagan**

**AFDC Position: Support**

- Clarifies that the rent control statute applies only to residential housing units.
- The bill also clarifies that nothing in the rent control statute shall prohibit or restrict the right of a property owner and a state agency, county, municipality, or housing authority (public entity) from voluntarily entering into and enforcing an agreement that controls rent on a private residential housing unit, whether the agreement is entered into before, on or after the effective date of the bill.

**SB 7 "Collaborative Management Multi-agency Services," Sponsor: Senator Hudak**

**AFDC Position: Support**

- Specifies that community colleges, early childhood councils, boards of cooperative services, regional service councils, family resource centers, and workforce centers may also enter into agreements with county departments of social services that are designed to promote a collaborative system of local-level interagency oversight groups and individualized service and support teams to coordinate and manage the provision of services to children and families who would benefit from integrated multi-agency services.

The complete text of each bill can be found at [www.leg.state.co.us](http://www.leg.state.co.us)

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