



2016 STATE LEGISLATION CONCERNING POVERTY

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CCLP is tracking the following bills. Please check the legend to see the position of specific organizations. For questions, more information, or to add your organization's positions to the list, contact Chaer Robert crobert@cclponline.org

Bill#	Sponsor	Title	Com*	Position**
022	Martinez-Humenik	Child Care Assistance Cliff Effect Pilot	Gov	+C,b,y,z,w,9,U
065	Steadman	Restitution in Criminal Cases	Sapp	
077	Kefalas	Employment First for People with Disabilities	Sfin	+C,9
116	Johnston	Private Company Accurate Criminal History Data	S3rd	
1001	Danielson	State Contracts Certify Comp w Equal Pay Law	Hbl	+b,9,w,f,U,z
1003	Pettersen	Middle Class College Savings Act	Hfin	+9,f,U
1006	Becker	Clarify Tax Exempt for Housing Authority	Happ	+C,9
1022	Wilson	Full Day Kindergarten	Happ	+9
1050	Petersen	Low Income Parents Education Child Care	Happ	+C,b,z,a,e,y,l,w,9,S,p,U
1090	McCann	Excess Foreclosure Limit Finder's Fee	Sbus	+S
1100	Petersen	Tuition Status Unaccompanied Homeless Youth	H2nd	+C,b,y
1156	Danielson	Extend Pay Transparency Protection All Employees	Hbl	+f,U,9,z
1166	Petersen	Prohibit Seeking Salary History for Job Applicants	Hbl	+C,f,w,U,9,z
1167	Winter	Colorado Family First Employer Act	Hbl	+C,f,U,9,z
1183	Buckner	Align Federal Changes to Child Care Assist Prog	Shhs	+y,w,9
1196	Pettersen	Aspire to College Colo Pilot Program	Happ	+C,y,b
1227	Kagan	Exemption Child Support Requirements Child Care	Hphc	+C,y,e,u,a,,z,b,p,w,U
1274	Singer	ID Documents Unlawful Presence	Hsa	+C
1290	Esgar	Extend Transitional Jobs Program	Hbus	+C,b
1299	Wist	Litigation Cost in Employment Discrimination	Has	
1347	Danielson	Employer Info Concerning Wage Law Violations	Hjud	
1351	Windholz	Land Transfer Veterans' Housing	Hsa	

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023	Kerr	Funding for Full Day Kindergarten	Ssa	+j,9
033	Ulibarri	Public Health Notice Sick Leave	Ssa	+9
043	Carroll	Student Loans Consumer Protections	Ssa	+w
045	Todd	Add to Financial Literacy Standard for Schools	Sed	+b
054	Merrifield	Local Government Minimum Wage	Ssa	+C,9,p,b,w
057	Kefalas	Mobile Home Owners Leasing Space M. Home Park	Ssa	+C,9,s,A
059	Ulibarri	Authority Local Govt Promote Affordable Housing	Sfin	+C,9,A
096	Heath	Creation Pay Equity Commission	Sbl	+f,w,U,z
114	Carroll	Earned Sick Time	Ssa	+C,9,b,w,U
1002	Buckner	Employee Leave Attend Children Academic Activity	Ssa	+C,9,a,b,e,y,f,g,w,j,m,S,U,z
1045	Singer	Commence Payment of Child Tax Credit	Hfin	+C,f,b,w,9,U
1096	Williams	Foreclosure Overbid Amount Return to Homeowner	Hbl	+S
1191	Salazar	Bill of Rights for Persons Who are Homeless	Hlg	+o,9

*Committee: app=Appropriations, bl=Business and Labor; ed=Education, fin=finance,hhs=Health and Human Services hie=Health, insurance and environment; jud=judiciary; phc =public health; sa=State Affairs; trans=Transportation

** + = support; - = oppose

C = CO Ctr on Law and Policy ; 9 = 9 to 5; a = AFDC Coalition; A = AARP; b = Bell Policy Ctr; B=Colorado Business Women;e= Ctr for Work Educ Employment; f=Colorado Fiscal Institute;g= COLOR; h= CO Coalition for Homeless; H= Hunger Free Colorado; j=Nat'l Conf of Jewish Women; l= League of Women Voters;m=Colo Yoiuth Matters; o=Homeless Outloud; p=Lutheran Advocacy Ministry; s= Sr. Lobby; S= CO Social Legislation Com; U=AAUW; u=Mile High United Way; w=women's Lobby; y= CO Children's Campaign,z=Women's Foundation

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TAXES

HB 10455 requires payment of the Child Tax Credit beginning for tax year 2016. The Child Tax Credit is currently not paid until triggered by congressional approval of the Marketplace Fairness Act , or similar legislation regarding taxing of goods sold on the internet.

EMPLOYMENT

SB033 requires food establishments than do not allow employees to earn at least 5 sick days per year to post a sign notifying customers of same.

SB054 removes prohibition on local governments setting a higher region-wide minimum wage.

SB077 requires State Departments to work together on employment opportunities for people with disabilities, including a push toward integrated, competitive work settings.

HB1166 prohibits employers from asking about salary history. HB1167 would set up recognition for employers who feature a number of family friendly policies- e.g.diversity and leadership development, paid sick leave, pay equity , child care facility or services, etc. HB1156 would extend the right of employees to share wage information with co-worker to the supervisory and managerial level. SB96 would recreate a pay equity commission.

HB1290 would renew the transitional jobs programs - temporary jobs for long term unemployed to re-establish themselves in the labor market.

SB 114 would give most employees the right to earn paid sick leave. Employers of 10 or more would have to let employees earn the equivalent of 9 days a year of sick time. Employers of less than 10 would have to let employees earn the equivalent of 5 days a year for full time work.

EDUCATION

HB1003 doubles the amount someone can deduct from their income when they pay into college invest if they earn under \$150,000 per year. It phases out all deductions for those earning over \$500,000 per year. Since it is not a refundable tax credit, this bill (and the program) provides no tax benefit to anyone whose income is too low to owe state income taxes.

HB100 allows homeless students to get resident rates on tuition, if they were identified as homeless under McKinney Vento while attending a Colorado high school. HB1196 is a pilot program for Child College Savings accounts for the lowest income children.

HB1196 authorizes a pilot program of \$50 to seed a child savings account for a pilot program for head start families to start saving for their child's college.

CHILD CARE

SB022 removes the cap of the number of counties which can participant in the child care cliff pilot program. Ten counties currently participate, but addition participants are needed to study the impact of various parental fee schedules on reducing the cliff effect-sudden loss of help paying for costly child care.

HB 1022 provides funding to school districts to expand full day kindergarten.SB22 refers to the ballot the question of whether the state can retain all collected revenues above the TABOR limits to be spent on education, from preK through grade 12. Such ballot questions are explicated permitted under TABOR as the way government can keep and spend revenues above the TABOR limit.

HB1183 Alligns Colorado law regarding the Child Care Assistance Prog.to federal law concerning continuous eligibility after exceeding income caps.

HB1227 exempts teen parents and domestic violence victims from the requirement to name the father in order to get child care assistance.

HOUSING

HB1006 clarifies that public housing authorities are exempt from sale tax on construction materials.

HB1090 pertains to homeowners who lost their homes to foreclosure. If the amount received at auction exceed what is owed, the different is due to former homeowner. Some agents have decided to charge a high fee to get the difference returned, but it is simply available if public trustees are asked. This bill liits the fees that can be charged by such "finders". HB 1096 also refers to this situation. It makes lein holders who have already settled for a discount ineligible to come back with a claim against the overbid proceeds.

HB1191 spells out certain rights for people who are experiencing homelessness to be in public places

HB1351 would transfer land from Fitzsimmons to the Aurora Housing Authority to develop as housing for homeless and disabled veterans