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TRANSMITTAL MEMORANDUM

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TO: Capital Development Committee Members
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SUBJECT: 2015 Legislation Related to Capital Construction

Please find attached three tables listing 2015 legislation introduced to date related to capital construction. Table 1 lists bills introduced by the Capital Development Committee as committee bills. Table 2 lists bills introduced by the Joint Budget Committee as committee bills. Table 3 lists the remainder of capital construction-related bills introduced by other legislators.

Table 1
2015 Bills Related to Capital Construction Introduced by the Capital Development Committee

Bill Number	Short Title	Summary	Status
HB15-1279	Regional Center Depreciation Account In Capital Construction Fund	The bill creates a depreciation account in the Capital Construction Fund for use by the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing.	Postponed Indefinitely
HB15-1333	Regional Center Depreciation Account In Capital Construction Fund	The bill creates a depreciation account in the Capital Construction Fund for use by the Department of Human Services.	Pending before Senate Finance
SB15-207	Refinance Authority For CBI Grand Junction Lab	The bill refinances revenue bonds for the Colorado Bureau of Investigation's regional office and lab in Grand Junction.	Pending before the House on Third Reading
SB15-208	Capital-related Expenditures	The bill makes several technical changes to the state's capital construction budget process.	Pending enrollment into an Act

Table 2
2015 Bills Related to Capital Construction Introduced by the Joint Budget Committee

Bill Number	Short Title	Summary	Status
HB15-1266	Information Technology Budget Request Process	The bill creates an information technology capital account within the Capital Construction Fund and makes changes to the information technology budget request process.	Signed by the Governor
HB15-1280	Capital Reserve in Certain Cash Funds	The bill creates a capital reserve account in certain cash funds, which consists of an amount equal to the depreciation of project costs appropriated from the fund for capital outlay or capital construction.	Pending the Governor's signature
SB15-165	Supplemental Appropriation Capital Construction	The bill makes supplemental appropriations for nine capital construction and IT capital projects in FY 2014-15.	Signed by the Governor
SB15-170	Transfer General Fund Money to Capital Construction Fund	The bill transfers funds from the General Fund to the Capital Construction Fund in FY 2014-15 for the supplemental appropriations in SB15-165.	Signed by the Governor
SB15-211	Automatic Funding for Capital Assets	The bill requires additional funding to be set aside equal to the depreciation of certain capital assets of the state and creates an automatic funding mechanism for capital assets.	Pending the Governor's signature
SB15-234	2015-16 Long Appropriations Bill	The bill appropriates moneys to executive, legislative, and judicial departments of the state of Colorado for FY 2015-16, including the capital construction budget.	Signed by the Governor
SB15-236	Reorganize State Historical Society Funds	The bill creates two separate subaccounts in the State Historical Fund, one of which can be used for capital construction and controlled maintenance.	Signed by the Governor
SB15-238	General Fund Exempt Institutions of Higher Education Uses	The bill expands the areas of higher education that are allowed to receive appropriations from the General Fund Exempt Account.	Pending the Governor's signature
SB15-250	Capital Related Transfers of Moneys	The bill transfers funds from the General Fund to the Capital Construction Fund in FY 2015-16 for capital construction and IT capital projects.	Pending the Governor's signature
SB15-251	General Fund Reserve Exclude Lease-purchase Payments	The bill excludes lease-purchase payments for real property from the General Fund Reserve calculation. This change was made necessary by the decision to include certain lease-purchase payments in the operating budget, as opposed to the capital budget.	Pending the Governor's signature
SB15-270*	Creating the Office of the State Architect	The bill formally creates the Office of the State Architect and assigns a statewide planning function to the office.	Pending before the Senate on Third Reading

*These bills were heard by the CDC under House Rule 50 or Senate Rule 42 (a).

**Table 3
2015 Bills Related to Capital Construction Introduced by Other Legislators**

Bill Number	Short Title	Summary	Status
HB15-1109	Additional SB 09-228 Transfers to HUTF and CCF	The bill makes additional automatic transfers to the Highway User Tax Fund and the Capital Construction Fund, if the transfers specified by SB 09-228 are not completed in full for five fiscal years.	Pending before House Finance
HB15-1197	Indemnity in Public Construction Contracts	The bill clarifies the indemnification provision for public entities involved in construction-related contracts. A contract that holds harmless a public entity is enforceable only to the extent of the contractor's negligence, not the public entity's own negligence. It also specifies that the provision includes design contracts.	Signed by the Governor
HB15-1245	Board of Land Commissioners Use Fund for Maintenance Costs	The bill allows the State Board of Land Commissioners to use up to \$1 million from the Investment and Development Fund for asset maintenance.	Signed by the Governor
HB15-1295	Electrical and Plumbing Inspections by CU	The bill extends the authorization of the University of Colorado to conduct its own electrical and plumbing inspections to the Denver and Anschutz campuses.	Signed by the Governor
HB15-1310*	Parks and Wildlife Acquire Real Property	The bill authorizes Colorado Parks and Wildlife to acquire real property for their Garfield County administrative office and public service center and makes an appropriation.	Pending consideration of amendments
HB15-1344*	Fund National Western Center and Capitol Complex Projects	The bill authorizes the financing of state capital construction projects that are included in the National Western Center and sets future transfers for projects included in the Capitol Complex Master Plan.	Pending consideration of amendments
SB15-081	Use Lottery Money for Recreational Bicycle Trails	The bill expresses the General Assembly's intent that the division of Colorado Parks and Wildlife spend some of the net lottery proceeds to construct and expand the state's recreational bicycle trails.	Postponed Indefinitely
SB15-089*	State Fiscal Responsibility for Providing Courts	The bill shifts the fiscal responsibility of paying for court facilities away from counties to the state by requiring the state to pay a specified amount of rent to each county for its court facilities.	Postponed Indefinitely
SB15-130	Assist Conservation Easement Tax Credit Buyers	The bill allows a transferee of a conservation easement credit to claim a credit against his or her state income tax if the transferee's claim was denied by the Department of Revenue.	Postponed Indefinitely
SB15-206	Implement Conservation Easement Audit Requirements	The bill increases the income tax credit for a portion of the value of a conservation easement donated by a taxpayer.	Pending before House Finance
SB15-278	Allow Dome Restoration Moneys for Capitol Restoration	The bill changes the project scope and title of the State Capitol Dome Renovation project to allow remaining appropriations to be spent on the restoration of the wooden windows and granite-glad portions of the exterior of the State Capitol building.	Pending Introduction in the House

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