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- 1 Prayer by Chaplain Lieutenant Colonel Russell Long, Retired.
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- 3 Pledge of Allegiance led by, the family of Representative Rice, Mrs.
- 4 Kendall Rice, and children Harrison, Alexandria, and Dalton.
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- 6 The Speaker called the House to order at 10:00 a.m.
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- 8 The Speaker appointed Marilyn Eddins Temporary Chief Clerk
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COMMUNICATIONS

STATE OF COLORADO
Department of State

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16 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**)
17 **STATE OF COLORADO**) **SS. Certificate**

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19 I, Mike Coffman, Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, do hereby certify
20 that the attached is a true and exact copy of the Resignation from office as filed
21 in this office on the tenth day of September, 2007, by State Representative Mike
22 Cerbo.

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24 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the
25 Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City of Denver this twelfth day of
26 September 2007.

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28 (Signed)
29 Mike Coffman
30 Secretary of State

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33 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**)
34 **STATE OF COLORADO**) **SS. Certificate**

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36 I, Mike Coffman, Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, do hereby certify
37 that the attached is a true and exact copy of the Designation of Nomination to
38 Fill a Vacancy as filed in this office on the twentieth day of September, 2007,
39 by the Democratic 2nd House District Vacancy Committee, designating the
40 appointment of Mark Ferrandino to fill the vacancy in the office of the Colorado
41 State House of Representatives, District 2, for the Sixty-Sixth General
42 Assembly of the State of Colorado, caused by the resignation of the Honorable
43 Mike Cerbo.

1 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the
2 Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City of Denver this twenty-fifth day
3 of September, 2007.

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5 (Signed)
6 Mike Coffman
7 Secretary of State _____

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9 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)**
10 **STATE OF COLORADO) SS. Certificate**

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12 I, Mike Coffman, Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, do hereby certify
13 that the attached is a true and exact copy of the Acceptance of Designation to
14 Fill a Vacancy In Office as filed in this office on the twentieth day of
15 September, 2007, by Mark Ferrandino, accepting the appointment of the
16 Democratic 2nd House District Vacancy Committee to fill the vacancy in the
17 office of Colorado State House of Representatives, District 2, for the Sixty-sixth
18 General Assembly of the State of Colorado, caused by the resignation of the
19 Honorable Mike Cerbo.

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21 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the
22 Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City of Denver this twenty-fifth day
23 of September, 2007.

24
25 (Signed)
26 Mike Coffman
27 Secretary of State _____

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29 (Note: On October 1, 2007 at 11:00 a.m., Mark Ferrandino was sworn in as
30 Representative for District 2. Chief Justice Mullarky administered the oath of
31 office in the Chamber of the House of Representatives.)

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34 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)**
35 **STATE OF COLORADO) SS. Certificate**

36
37 I, Mike Coffman, Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, do hereby certify
38 that the attached is a true and exact copy of the Resignation from office as filed
39 in this office on the fourteenth day of November, 2007, by State Representative
40 Bill L. Cadman.

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42 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the
43 Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City of Denver this tenth day of
44 December, 2007.

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46 (Signed)
47 Mike Coffman
48 Secretary of State _____

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50 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)**
51 **STATE OF COLORADO) SS. Certificate**

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53 I, Mike Coffman, Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, do hereby certify
54 that the attached is a true and exact copy of the Designation of Nomination to
55 Fill a Vacancy as filed in this office on the eighteenth day of December, 2007,
56 by the Republican 15th House District Vacancy Committee designating the

1 appointment of Douglas Bruce to fill the vacancy in office of the Colorado State
2 House of Representatives, District 15, for the Sixty-sixth General Assembly of
3 the State of Colorado, caused by the resignation of the Honorable Bill Cadman.

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5 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the
6 Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City of Denver this twentieth day of
7 December, 2007.

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9 (Signed)
10 Mike Coffman
11 Secretary of State

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13 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**) **SS. Certificate**
14 **STATE OF COLORADO**)

15
16 I, Mike Coffman, Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, do hereby certify
17 that the attached is a true and exact copy of the Acceptance Designation to Fill
18 a Vacancy In Office as filed in this office on the eighteenth day of December,
19 2007, by Douglas Bruce, accepting the appointment of the Republican 15th
20 House District Vacancy Committee, to fill the vacancy in the office of the
21 Colorado House of Representatives, District 15, for the Sixty-Sixth General
22 Assembly of the State of Colorado, caused by the resignation of the Honorable
23 Bill Cadman.

24
25 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the
26 Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City of Denver this twentieth day of
27 December, 2007.

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29 (Signed)
30 Mike Coffman
31 Secretary of State

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33 (Note: On January 14, 2008, Douglas Bruce will be sworn in as Representative
34 for District 2. Speaker Andrew Romanoff will administer the oath of office in
35 the Chamber of the House of Representatives.)

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40 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**) **SS. Certificate**
41 **STATE OF COLORADO**)

42 I, Mike Coffman, Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, do hereby certify
43 that the attached is a true and exact copy of the Resignation from office as filed
44 in this office on the seventh day of December, 2007, by State Representative
45 Dan Gibbs.

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47 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the
48 Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City of Denver this eleventh day of
49 December, 2007.

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51 (Signed)
52 Mike Coffman
53 Secretary of State

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1 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)**
2 **STATE OF COLORADO) SS. Certificate**

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4 I, Mike Coffman, Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, do hereby certify
5 that the attached is a true and exact copy of the Designation of Nomination to
6 Fill a Vacancy as filed in this office on the twentieth day of December, 2007,
7 by the Democratic 56th House District Vacancy Committee, designating the
8 appointment of Christine Scanlan to fill the vacancy in the office of the
9 Colorado State House of Representatives, District 56, for the Sixty-Sixth
10 General Assembly of the State of Colorado, caused by the resignation of the
11 Honorable Dan Gibbs.

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13 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the
14 Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City of Denver this twenty-fourth day
15 of December, 2007.

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17 (Signed)
18 Mike Coffman
19 Secretary of State

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22 **UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)**
23 **STATE OF COLORADO) SS. Certificate**

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25 I, Mike Coffman, Secretary of State of the State of Colorado, do hereby certify
26 that the attached is a true and exact copy of the Acceptance of Designation to
27 Fill a Vacancy In Office as filed in this office on the twentieth day of
28 December, 2007 by Christine Scanlan accepting the appointment of the
29 Democratic 56th House District Vacancy Committee, to fill the vacancy in the
30 office of Colorado State House of Representatives, District 56, for the Sixty-
31 Sixth General Assembly of the State of Colorado, caused by the resignation of
32 the Honorable Dan Gibbs.

33
34 IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the
35 Great Seal of the State of Colorado, at the City of Denver this twenty-fourth day
36 of December 2007.

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38 (Signed)
39 Mike Coffman
40 Secretary of State

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42 (Note: On January 2, 2008, at 11:00 a.m., Christine Scanlan was sworn in as
43 Representative for District 56. Chief Justice Mullarkey administered the oath
44 of office in the Chamber of the House of Representatives.)

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47 The roll call was called with the following result:

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49 Present--62.
50 Excused--Representatives McFadyen, Rice--2.
51 Vacancy--1.
52 Present after roll call--Representative McFadyen.

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54 The Speaker declared a quorum present.

1 On motion of Representative Madden, the Speaker appointed
2 Representatives Fischer, Chairman, Labuda, and McNulty to notify the
3 Senate that the House was organized and ready for business.

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House in recess. House reconvened.

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9 Representative Fischer, Chairman of the Committee to Notify the Senate,
10 reported that the Senate had been notified that the House was organized
11 and ready for business.

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14 **INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS**

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16 On motion of Representative Madden, the rules were suspended and the
17 following resolutions were given immediate consideration.

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19 **HJR08-1001** by Representative(s) Madden, Romanoff, May M.; also
20 Senator(s) Gordon, Groff, McElhany--Concerning the
21 appointment of a Joint Committee to notify the Governor
22 that the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-sixth General
23 Assembly is organized and ready to transact business.

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25 (Printed and placed in members file)

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27 On motion of Representative Madden, the resolution was **adopted** by
28 **viva voce** vote.

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30 The Speaker appointed Representatives Peniston, Chairman, Kefalas, and
31 Roberts pursuant to the resolution.

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33 **HJR08-1002** by Representative(s) Madden, Romanoff, May M.; also
34 Senator(s) Gordon, Groff, McElhany--Concerning a Joint
35 Session of the House of Representatives and the Senate for
36 the purpose of hearing a message from His Excellency,
37 Governor Bill Ritter, and appointing a committee to escort
38 the Governor.

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40 (Printed and placed in members file)

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42 On motion of Representative Madden, the resolution was **adopted** by
43 **viva voce** vote.

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45 The Speaker appointed Representatives Primavera, Chairman, Gagliardi,
46 and Swalm pursuant to the resolution.

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House in recess.

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52 The Speaker recognized a committee from the Senate. Senators Windels,
53 Gibbs, and Cadman reported that the Senate was organized and ready for
54 business.

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1 House reconvened.

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4 Representative Peniston, Chairman of the Committee to Notify the
5 Governor, reported that the Governor had been notified that the House
6 was organized and ready for business.

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9 Speaker Romanoff addressed the members of the House of
10 Representatives.

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12 Let me begin by congratulating our newest members, Representatives Mark
13 Ferrandino and Christine Scanlan. We look forward to serving with each of
14 you.

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16 I would also like you to welcome my mother to the chamber.

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18 Thank you for allowing me to share some thoughts with you on this occasion.

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20 This is the fifth year I've had the privilege – it's also the last.

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22 Representatives Borodkin, Garcia, Hodge, Jahn, Madden, Marshall, Stafford,
23 White and I came in together – and we're going out together. Congratulations
24 to each of you.

25
26 Today I want to tell you a story. It's not a story with a lot of characters in it.
27 We're going to have plenty of those stories in the months ahead. We'll be
28 talking about the 12,000 students who drop out of Colorado's high schools each
29 year, the 107,000 Coloradans who don't have jobs, the 792,000 who don't have
30 health insurance.

31
32 This morning I want to focus on just one person. A child, to be specific. A
33 baby.

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35 Some 70,000 babies will be born in Colorado in 2008 – enough to populate a
36 House district.

37
38 This little fellow was one of the first to arrive. His name is Wyatt James
39 Sheets. He was born on New Year's Day, at Valley View Hospital in
40 Glenwood Springs. He weighed in at 6 pounds and measured 18½ inches long.

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42 Wyatt showed up four weeks ahead of schedule. His parents live in Colorado
43 Springs, but they spent the holidays on the Western Slope. Wyatt's mother
44 began having contractions during a New Year's Day service at the Rocky
45 Mountain Baptist Church in Rifle, where her father-in-law is a pastor. I think
46 Wyatt was just in a hurry to make good on his father's wish – that he become
47 a NASCAR driver. (His dad wanted to name him Dale, as in Earnhardt, but he
48 lost that argument.)

49
50 Wyatt's father, James, is an Army mechanic at Fort Carson. He served two
51 tours of duty in Iraq, where he drove a tank with the 3rd Armored Cavalry
52 Regiment. Wyatt's mother, Alicea, directed an after-school program and takes
53 care of their three daughters. Wyatt's sisters helped decorate his room and pick
54 out his crib. His oldest sister, Ashley, even said she thought it was "cool to
55 have a little brother."

56

1 James and Alicea want what all parents want – a better quality of life for their
2 children. They want Wyatt to get the best education in the world. They want
3 a doctor or a nurse to care for him when he gets sick and to help make sure that
4 he stays healthy. They want Wyatt to live a happy and rewarding life.
5
6 James and Alicea have high expectations for their son – and for the state in
7 which they plan to raise him. But for Wyatt to fulfill his potential, we have to
8 fulfill ours.
9
10 Wyatt’s well-being will depend on the decisions that James and Alicea make
11 in the months and years ahead. In the long run, his success will hinge on the
12 decisions that he makes for himself.
13
14 But the quality of Wyatt’s life will also rest on the decisions that we make here,
15 in this chamber, this year. We’re not his parents; nobody can take their place.
16 But we can make it easier for James and Alicea to prosper and for Wyatt to
17 thrive. That’s what I want to talk about this morning.
18
19 Let’s fast forward a few years. It’s 2011 or 2012, and Wyatt is old enough to
20 start preschool. Whether he does is a choice his parents will have to make. But
21 right now, you and I have a choice to make as well. Let’s make the right
22 choice. Let’s say yes to high-quality preschool and full-day kindergarten.
23
24 Early childhood education is one of the single most effective investments we
25 can make. Let’s help more parents like James and Alicea give their children a
26 smart start on school.
27
28 By 2014, Wyatt will be old enough to start first grade. Most of the teachers
29 he’ll have then have already been hired or are being recruited right now.
30
31 We need to do a better job of training, retaining and rewarding high-skilled
32 teachers, especially those who agree to work in the schools, with the students,
33 and in the subjects that present the greatest challenges.
34
35 Let’s equip our teachers with the tools they need – the time, the training, the
36 technology – to give Wyatt a world-class education. Let’s put a top-flight
37 teacher in his classroom, and in every classroom.
38
39 Of course, even the best teacher in the world will find it tough to teach in a
40 school that’s falling down. Wyatt deserves a learning environment that is safe
41 and healthy and educationally enriching – not a building where the roof is
42 caving in or the floorboards are so rotten that they can’t even hold up his desk.
43 Yet students are going to back to school this week in buildings just like that,
44 especially in rural Colorado – in the San Luis Valley and the Arkansas Valley
45 and the Eastern Plains.
46
47 That is fundamentally unacceptable in a state as affluent as ours. Dozens of
48 factors will affect Wyatt’s ability to get a good education, but his zip code
49 shouldn’t be one of them.
50
51 It’s time for the BEST plan – to Build Excellent Schools Today, schools
52 designed not for the 19th century or the 20th century but for Wyatt’s century,
53 the 21st century. This plan will allow us to meet our schools’ most critical
54 health and safety needs. I want to thank Treasurer Kennedy for helping us
55 identify nearly \$1 billion in state and local resources. This will be the most
56 significant investment in school construction since statehood.

1 It's a little too soon to ask Wyatt what he wants to be when he grows up. But
2 here's one thing we do know: What he earns will depend on what he learns.

3
4 The workforce Wyatt enters 20 or 25 years from now will face stiff competition
5 not just from other states but from other countries, too. We should prepare
6 Wyatt to meet the demands of a global economy. He'll need more than a high-
7 school diploma. He'll need some form of higher education – whether that
8 means vocational training or an advanced degree.

9
10 Let's keep the cost of college within his reach. Wyatt and his classmates should
11 be able to get a good education even if their parents aren't very well off. In our
12 country, where you come from shouldn't dictate where you end up.

13
14 Wyatt may be a long way from joining the workforce, but there are some steps
15 we can take right now to strengthen the economy that awaits him. First, we
16 should continue to invest in our infrastructure. Wyatt shouldn't have to spend
17 all of his money fixing the roads and bridges that you and I neglected.

18
19 Second, we should support homegrown industries like aerospace, bioscience
20 and renewable energy – industries in which Colorado is already gaining a
21 competitive edge.

22
23 We should make sure there are plenty of good jobs for Wyatt to choose from –
24 whether he farms wind or wheat, pilots a jet or peers into a microscope.

25
26 Third, we should simplify our tax code, so that Wyatt's employer doesn't have
27 to hire an army of accountants just to do business here. And as for our smallest
28 employers – the 45,000 entrepreneurs who form the backbone of Colorado's
29 economy – we should spare them the burden of the business personal property
30 tax once and for all.

31
32 There's one other step we should take to shore up Wyatt's financial future – and
33 that is to save for a downturn. Even in a state as sunny as Colorado, a rainy-day
34 fund makes good sense.

35
36 We've talked about helping Wyatt get a smart start, a top-flight teacher, and a
37 safe place to go to school. We've talked about his prospects for college and for
38 work. But more than anything else, what will enable Wyatt to live a long and
39 productive life – the top priority of every parent – is his health.

40
41 If Wyatt had been born in 1908, he would have been lucky to live past the age
42 of 50. That was the average life expectancy in America a hundred years ago.
43 Babies born in the United States today can expect to live 78 years or more.
44 Wyatt's parents hope that he'll live to see the 22nd century.

45
46 Wyatt is lucky to have been born in the most prosperous nation on the face of
47 the earth. America's medical facilities and services are among the finest in the
48 world. What we need to figure out, as a state and as a nation, is how to make
49 those services available to Wyatt and his parents, at a price they can afford –
50 and how to help them stay healthy enough to avoid having to go to a hospital
51 in the first place.

52
53 Those are some of the questions we're going to answer over the next four
54 months. But there are several steps we should take right now.

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1 First, we should cut the cost of health care. Administrative expenses eat up as
2 much as a quarter of every health-care dollar.

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4 We can get a much bigger bang for our buck. We can save more than \$100
5 million just by standardizing ID cards and claim forms, streamlining the
6 processes we use to verify eligibility and credential providers, and simplifying
7 procedures for prior authorization and appeals.

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9 When Wyatt was born, his condition, his progress and his test results were all
10 recorded on paper. Valley View Hospital is still developing an electronic
11 information system. We can save money and reduce the risk of medical errors
12 – without compromising Wyatt’s privacy – by bringing more of our hospitals
13 into the 21st century.

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15 Second, we should reduce the ranks of the uninsured. Wyatt’s family has health
16 insurance. But one out of every six people in this state doesn’t. The average
17 family in Colorado will spend \$1,000 this year treating the uninsured.

18
19 Here’s one point I hope we can agree on – every child should have health
20 coverage. Children without insurance are 10 times more likely to miss out on
21 the immunizations and check-ups they need to stay healthy. Uninsured children
22 are more likely to get sick. They are more likely to stay sick. And they are
23 more likely to die. Let’s end this debate and cover our kids.

24
25 Third, we should put a premium on prevention. The emergency room ought to
26 be a last resort, not a primary source of care. We should give Wyatt and his
27 parents every incentive to stay healthy – and to exercise personal responsibility.
28 Let’s reduce their premiums if they curb their cholesterol, lower their blood
29 pressure, or quit smoking. Let’s minimize their co-payments for preventive
30 care and chronic-care management. Let’s encourage them to take advantage of
31 health and wellness programs.

32
33 The last – and in some ways, the most important – step we can take to improve
34 Wyatt’s health is to protect his environment. The more we contaminate
35 Colorado – the more we foul our air and pollute our water – the more we
36 diminish Wyatt’s quality of life.

37
38 We can do better. We can restore the health of our forests and replenish our
39 rivers. We can help our ranchers and farmers hold on to their lands for future
40 generations. And – this is key – we can find new and more efficient ways to
41 heat our homes, fuel our cars, and power our economy.

42
43 Greenhouse gases pose the most serious threat to Wyatt’s environment. If we
44 don’t acknowledge and attack the causes of global warming – if we don’t
45 become, in Governor Ritter’s words, more “stubborn stewards” of this fragile
46 planet – we will jeopardize Wyatt’s chances of surviving on it.

47
48 Now some folks will try to trick James and Alicea into believing that they have
49 to choose between a high standard of living for themselves or for their son.
50 That’s a false choice. When it comes to energy, James and Alicea do have
51 choices to make – and so do we. But these choices won’t enslave Wyatt’s
52 family or bankrupt their budget. In fact, our new energy economy is already
53 creating thousands of new jobs.

54
55 We don’t have to savage the economy in order to salvage the environment.
56 Quite the opposite: we can sustain both.

1 For James and Alicea, that means conserving more energy. It may even mean
2 generating their own.

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4 For us, it means providing rebates, loans and credit for those who produce
5 renewable energy, and removing the barriers that stand in their way.

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7 For Wyatt, it will mean a cleaner, greener place to call home.

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9 In the end, what James and Alicea want – what Wyatt deserves – is a shot at the
10 American Dream: the chance to enjoy a solid education, a steady job, a safe and
11 healthy place to live and grow up. That’s not too much for them to expect, and
12 it’s not too much for us to deliver.

13
14 There may be some distant corner of the earth where it is considered acceptable
15 for children to languish without those opportunities. There have certainly been
16 such times in our nation’s history. But not here, not now, not in the 21st
17 century.

18
19 By the time Wyatt reaches the ripe old age of 42, this century will be half-over,
20 or half-begun. Colorado will be home to nine million people – four-and-a-half
21 times as many as there were when I was born, 42 years ago.

22
23 What will become of Wyatt, of James and Alicea, and of all the people lucky
24 enough to live here in the year 2050? That’s mostly up to them. But for the
25 next 120 days, it’s also up to us.

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27 Let’s get started. _____

28
29 Minority Leader May addressed the members of the House of
30 Representatives.

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32 Mr. Speaker, Madam Majority Leader, esteemed colleagues and honored guests.

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34 This is welcome back for most of us, but a special welcome to the new
35 members joining us in this chamber for the first time: Representative Mark
36 Ferrandino and Representative Christine Scanlan.

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38 We also eagerly await the safe return of Representative Joe Rice from Iraq upon
39 completion of his current tour of duty, and look forward to the arrival of
40 Representative-elect Douglas Bruce upon completion of his leisurely drive
41 north from Colorado Springs.

42
43 Serving as elected representatives is a sacrifice that takes time and dedication.
44 For all of the long days and late nights that you will be sitting here in this
45 chamber, away from your families, I would like to thank you in advance.

46
47 Last year, the Speaker and I both started with a short history lesson. I’m sure
48 you’ll be glad to hear I’m skipping that part this year.

49
50 Instead I want to talk about the future, and not just the next 120 days.

51
52 We have a duty as elected officials to address the issues that matter to our
53 constituents. But our duty goes beyond just that.

54
55 We have an obligation to do so in a way that creates a better future for our
56 children. The citizens of this great state cannot afford to solve every problem

1 through tax and fee increases. That creates problems of its own - particularly for
2 future generations.

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4 While this is a political year, it shouldn't be a political session. We're eager to
5 work across the aisle in an effort to make practical solutions real for the benefit
6 of Colorado.

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8 Gov. Bill Ritter has said that party labels should not stand in the way of good
9 policy. We agree.

10

11 **EDUCATION**

12 In education, our goal is clear: We must raise the bar.

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14 In a December speech, the president and CEO of the U.S. Chamber of
15 Commerce, Thomas Donohue, spoke of five core ideas for education reform:

- 16 • Changing the way we train, pay, and evaluate teachers
- 17 • Giving administrators greater independence to run their
- 18 schools
- 19 • Collecting more data to accurately measure results such as
- 20 teacher performance
- 21 • Implementing more rigorous academic standards and
- 22 • Focusing on innovation and evaluation

23

24 As Republicans, we embrace these ideals. We will work to ensure Colorado's
25 students can compete in a global market. We have set high standards and
26 achievement is increasing.

27

28 But, Colorado is at risk of losing its way on education.

29

30 Approximately 1 in every 4 of Colorado's 9th graders will not graduate from
31 high school in four years. Those who do graduate are often unprepared for
32 college or the workforce.

33

34 We cannot afford to lag behind as the rest of the world races ahead. The world
35 will not stop and wait while our students catch up.

36

37 We must, and we can, do better. Republicans are committed to creating
38 Colorado schools that are accountable, demanding, innovative and focused on
39 achievement.

40

41 We are proposing higher standards, more options for parents and students,
42 rewards and incentives for quality teachers, and improvements to make our
43 schools safer.

44

45 As Gov. Bill Ritter said last month regarding education, "The cold hard truth
46 is that we need to do things differently in order to do them better."

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48 Our proposals would mean significant reform for public education to improve
49 upon a system we all support.

50

51 **HIGHER EDUCATION**

52 Higher education presents a unique challenge in Colorado because of our
53 current funding structure.

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55 We want to dedicate to higher education a portion of the proceeds from the
56 responsible development of Colorado's natural resources.

1 But first, we must tie funding to performance. This will give taxpayers the
2 assurance they deserve that their higher education dollars are being put to good
3 use.

4
5 Higher education is a privilege that we have pledged as a state to support. We
6 should honor that commitment, and work to make it better by allowing
7 taxpayers to evaluate what they are helping to support.

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9 Again, real solutions for challenges, without raising taxes or fees.

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11 **ILLEGAL IMMIGRATION**

12 When it comes to illegal immigration, states and local communities are left to
13 face the consequences of inaction at the federal level to secure our borders.

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15 If there are two priorities we should all be able to support regarding illegal
16 immigration, it is the need to uphold public safety and the need to safeguard our
17 voting process.

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19 There is no excuse for not doing all we can do to keep our streets safe from
20 lawbreakers who aren't even supposed to be in our country.

21

22 We also have a duty to our citizens to preserve one of the most cherished rights
23 of American citizenship: the right to vote. This right should not be extended to
24 those who are in the country illegally, nor eroded through lack of vigilance.

25

26 **ELECTIONS**

27 Just as that right is denied to illegal immigrants, it must be preserved for our
28 citizens.

29

30 With elections rapidly approaching, this body will be called upon to ensure that
31 our election equipment is ready and that our system is secure.

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33 We look forward to a bi-partisan solution that ensures that every one who is
34 entitled to vote can vote, and that all votes are counted.

35

36 **TRANSPORTATION**

37 Looking around this room, you see representatives, staff and guests from all
38 around the state.

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40 We all benefited from a taxpayer-funded transportation system that built roads
41 and bridges across Colorado.

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43 A healthy transportation system is vital to a strong economy, a strong business
44 community and a high quality of life. But, our system is in need of attention.

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46 Local streets are funded by taxpayers around the state and our budget formula
47 makes roads and bridges a last priority. Our plan would fix these problems by
48 restructuring the highway system and making transportation a higher priority.

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50 Until we do that, any discussion on alternative funding sources is premature.

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52 We can, however, make sure that we are no longer leaving transportation
53 funding until the end of the line.

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55 Last year, Coloradans paid almost 300 million dollars in taxes on auto-related
56 purchases. It only makes sense to ensure that revenue is spent on maintaining

1 and enhancing Colorado's roads and bridges – steering a better course for
2 transportation in Colorado.

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4 **ENVIRONMENT**

5 When it comes to the environment, we all want to do what we can to create a
6 safer and healthier place to live for our children.

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8 While some special interest groups would like to see budget-breaking handouts,
9 we want real solutions.

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11 Through our proposals, we will empower businesses and citizens. We will
12 remove red tape and offer incentives to promote responsible environmental
13 stewardship.

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15 We want to preserve our state parks by keeping them maintained and to protect
16 our state forests by waging war on the mountain pine beetle.

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18 We also have several proposals to bridge the gap between our current energy
19 economy and our new energy economy.

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21 We all care about our environment. Our proposals will make it easier for
22 individuals and businesses to do what's right for our environment.

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24 **HEALTH CARE**

25 One of the most important issues we will face this year is health care.

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27 Our health care system is far from perfect, but it is still among the best in the
28 world. We cannot, and should not, dismantle that system in an effort to improve
29 some of its deficiencies.

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31 And certainly we should not entrust our health care to an inefficient and
32 unsympathetic government agency.

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34 We recognize there are serious challenges to expanding access to health care,
35 particularly for children of parents with limited income and for those who live
36 in the rural parts of our state. We are eager to address those challenges.

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38 We applaud the hard work of the "208 Commission" and look forward to
39 exploring some of their best ideas. However, to do the most good, we must
40 learn from the mistakes of other states and work within our current world-class
41 system.

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43 Our proposals focus on wellness, prevention and affordability through
44 decreased government interference and through increased options.

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46 Through our proposals, we can help reduce the number of uninsured in
47 Colorado, without asking the 85 percent of Coloradans who currently have
48 health insurance to jeopardize their health plans.

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50 We are proposing real health care solutions that don't place unnecessary
51 mandates on individuals or businesses and require no new taxes.

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53 Our goal is to expand free market health care choices and to return to Colorado
54 families the power to make their own health care decisions.

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1 **CONSTITUTIONAL REFORM**

2 Of course, our discussions on these issues depend to a large extent on the
3 restrictions and mandates that are currently in our state constitution.

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5 Our guiding document, unlike the cherished U.S. Constitution, has become a
6 collection of ideas designed to solve some of yesterday's problems, rather than
7 an expression of ideals to guide the future.

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9 Many of those ideas were born of citizen frustration with the legislature's
10 failure to act on significant issues of the day. The unintended consequences of
11 these constitutional fixes have resulted in some bizarre requirements that seem
12 to defy the laws of economics. For example, it makes little sense to
13 simultaneously limit government expansion while mandating increased
14 government spending.

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16 There has been some discussion of asking the voters to approve a temporary
17 suspension of the single subject rule, to give the legislature an opportunity to
18 take a broader look at this problem.

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20 First, however, we must agree as a body on the parameters of our discussion.
21 It would be unreasonable for us to expect voters to sign an open-ended
22 permission slip to tinker with the state's founding document.

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24 And because it is a rare government indeed that is able to limit its own growth,
25 I hope we can all agree that we must preserve our current limit on government
26 spending.

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28 And of course, state government should never be allowed to increase taxes
29 without a vote of the people.

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31 **BUSINESS AND THE ECONOMY**

32 Along with constitutional reform, we will also be dedicating much of our time
33 this year to the crucial issue of our economy.

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35 The success of our state, and the quality of life of our citizens, depends on our
36 ability to maintain a strong economy and to foster a healthy business climate.

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38 Some of the first steps we should take this year are to give voters the say they
39 deserve in last year's property tax hike and to reverse the governor's executive
40 order empowering unions in state government.

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42 We must also ensure that state taxpayers cannot be held hostage by a
43 government strike as a result of the damage that has already been done by the
44 executive order. People depend on the services provided through their tax
45 dollars, and state employees are well compensated for their public service.

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47 We support the positive proposals in the governor's economic development
48 package, including the repeal of the 'fly away tax' and the creation of new
49 incentives for the bioscience industry.

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51 But offering a small carrot to distract from the larger stick is disingenuous.

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53 Our economy is strong, but it is threatened. It cannot continue to persevere
54 under increased taxes and fees, greater government regulations, and vague
55 mandates.

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1 Every bill we pass should empower the people of Colorado, not impair them.
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 3 Every bill should be an asset to Colorado's businesses, not a liability.
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 5 And every bill should help develop our economy, not stifle it.
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 7 We want better schools, colleges and universities. We want a secure voting
 8 system and safe streets. We want prudent measures that utilize our natural
 9 resources but protect our future, our air and our water. And we want a health
 10 care system that is accessible, affordable and one that makes sense to Colorado
 11 families.
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 13 By keeping businesses strong in Colorado we can do all of these things.
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 15 **CONCLUSION**
 16 There is much for us to do this year and many challenges ahead that we must
 17 rise to meet.
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 19 As we do so, we must always remember the reason we are here in this chamber:
 20 it is to do the work of the people, and only the work of the people.
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 22 Let's get started!

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 25 Representative Madden moved that the remarks of Speaker Romanoff
 26 and Representative May be printed in the House Journal. There being no
 27 objection the remarks were printed.

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 30 **APPOINTMENTS**
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 33 Pursuant to CRS 2-3-101, the Speaker announced the following
 34 appointments:
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36 **LEGISLATIVE AUDIT**

37 Representatives J. Kerr, Marshall, Mitchell, Primavera.
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39 On motion of Representative Madden the appointments were confirmed
 40 by the following roll call vote:
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YES	63	NO	00	EXCUSED	01	VACANCY	01	ABSENT	00
Balmer		Y	Gardner B	Y	Lundberg	Y	Riesberg	Y	
Benefield		Y	Gardner C	Y	Madden	Y	Roberts	Y	
Borodkin		Y	Garza-Hicks	Y	Marostica	Y	Rose	Y	
		V	Green	Y	Marshall	Y	Scanlan	Y	
Buescher		Y	Hodge	Y	Massey	Y	Solano	Y	
Butcher		Y	Jahn	Y	May	Y	Sonnenberg	Y	
Carroll M		Y	Judd	Y	McFadyen	Y	Soper	Y	
Carroll T		Y	Kefalas	Y	McGihon	Y	Stafford	Y	
Casso		Y	Kerr A	Y	McKinley	Y	Stephens	Y	
Curry		Y	Kerr J	Y	McNulty	Y	Summers	Y	
Ferrandino		Y	King	Y	Merrifield	Y	Swalm	Y	
Fischer		Y	Labuda	Y	Mitchell	Y	Todd	Y	
Frangas		Y	Lambert	Y	Peniston	Y	Vaad	Y	
Gagliardi		Y	Levy	Y	Pommer	Y	Weissmann	Y	

1	Gallegos	Y	Liston	Y	Primavera	Y	White	Y
2	Garcia	Y	Looper	Y	Rice	E	Witwer	Y
3							Speaker	Y

5 LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

6 Representatives Romanoff, Balmer, M. Carroll, Garcia,
7 C. Gardner, A. Kerr, Madden, May, Stephens.

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9 On motion of Representative Madden the appointments were confirmed
10 by the following roll call vote:

12	YES 63	NO 00	EXCUSED 01	VACANCY 01	ABSENT 00			
13	Balmer	Y	Gardner B	Y	Lundberg	Y	Riesberg	Y
14	Benefield	Y	Gardner C	Y	Madden	Y	Roberts	Y
15	Borodkin	Y	Garza-Hicks	Y	Marostica	Y	Rose	Y
16		V	Green	Y	Marshall	Y	Scanlan	Y
17	Buescher	Y	Hodge	Y	Massey	Y	Solano	Y
18	Butcher	Y	Jahn	Y	May	Y	Sonnenberg	Y
19	Carroll M	Y	Judd	Y	McFadyen	Y	Soper	Y
20	Carroll T	Y	Kefalas	Y	McGihon	Y	Stafford	Y
21	Casso	Y	Kerr A	Y	McKinley	Y	Stephens	Y
22	Curry	Y	Kerr J	Y	McNulty	Y	Summers	Y
23	Ferrandino	Y	King	Y	Merrifield	Y	Swalm	Y
24	Fischer	Y	Labuda	Y	Mitchell	Y	Todd	Y
25	Frangas	Y	Lambert	Y	Peniston	Y	Vaad	Y
26	Gagliardi	Y	Levy	Y	Pommer	Y	Weissmann	Y
27	Gallegos	Y	Liston	Y	Primavera	Y	White	Y
28	Garcia	Y	Looper	Y	Rice	E	Witwer	Y
29							Speaker	Y

31 LEGAL SERVICES

32 Representatives B. Gardner, Labuda, Levy, McGihon, Roberts.

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34 On motion of Representative Madden the appointments were confirmed
35 by the following roll call vote:

37	YES 63	NO 00	EXCUSED 01	VACANCY 01	ABSENT 00			
38	Balmer	Y	Gardner B	Y	Lundberg	Y	Riesberg	Y
39	Benefield	Y	Gardner C	Y	Madden	Y	Roberts	Y
40	Borodkin	Y	Garza-Hicks	Y	Marostica	Y	Rose	Y
41		V	Green	Y	Marshall	Y	Scanlan	Y
42	Buescher	Y	Hodge	Y	Massey	Y	Solano	Y
43	Butcher	Y	Jahn	Y	May	Y	Sonnenberg	Y
44	Carroll M	Y	Judd	Y	McFadyen	Y	Soper	Y
45	Carroll T	Y	Kefalas	Y	McGihon	Y	Stafford	Y
46	Casso	Y	Kerr A	Y	McKinley	Y	Stephens	Y
47	Curry	Y	Kerr J	Y	McNulty	Y	Summers	Y
48	Ferrandino	Y	King	Y	Merrifield	Y	Swalm	Y
49	Fischer	Y	Labuda	Y	Mitchell	Y	Todd	Y
50	Frangas	Y	Lambert	Y	Peniston	Y	Vaad	Y
51	Gagliardi	Y	Levy	Y	Pommer	Y	Weissmann	Y
52	Gallegos	Y	Liston	Y	Primavera	Y	White	Y
53	Garcia	Y	Looper	Y	Rice	E	Witwer	Y
54							Speaker	Y

MESSAGES FROM THE SENATE

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The Senate has adopted and returns herewith: HJR08-1001. Pursuant to the resolution, the President appointed Senators Takis and Spence.

The Senate has adopted and returns herewith: HJR08-1002. Pursuant to the resolution, the President appointed Senators Tupa and Taylor

The Senate has adopted and transmits herewith: SJR08-001.

INTRODUCTION AND CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTIONS

On motion of Representative Madden, the rules were suspended and the following resolutions were given immediate consideration.

SJR08-001 by Senator(s) Gordon, Groff, McElhany; also Representative(s) Jahn, Gallegos, Massey, Vaad-- Concerning employee salary ranges for the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-sixth General Assembly.

(Printed and placed in members file)

On motion of Representative Jahn, the resolution was **adopted** by **viva voce** vote.

Co-sponsors added: Representatives Carroll M, Hodge, Labuda, Levy, Marshall, Merrifield, Rose, Stafford, Todd, White.

HR08-1001 by Representative(s) Jahn, Gallegos, Massey, Vaad-- Concerning employees and positions for the House of Representatives convened in the Second Regular Session of the Sixty-sixth General Assembly.

(Printed and placed in members file)

On motion of Representative Jahn, the resolution was **adopted** by **viva voce** vote.

Co-sponsors added: Representatives Benefield, Carroll M, Ferrandino, Gagliardi, Hodge, Labuda, Looper, Marostica, McNulty, Merrifield, Riesberg, Rose, Soper, Stafford, Swalm, Todd, White.

HR08-1002 by Representative(s) Jahn, Gallegos, Massey, Vaad-- Concerning the Chaplain position in the House of Representatives.

(Printed and placed in members file)

On motion of Representative Jahn, the resolution was **adopted** by **viva voce** vote.

Co-sponsors added: Representatives Benefield, Butcher, Hodge, Lambert, Lundberg, McNulty, Rose, Stafford, Stephens, Summers.

1 **HR08-1003** by Representative(s) Jahn, Gallegos, Massey, Vaad--
2 Concerning payment of employees for pre-session work
3 for the House of Representatives convened in the Second
4 Regular Session of the Sixty-sixth General Assembly.
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6 On motion of Representative Jahn, the resolution was **adopted** by **viva**
7 **voce** vote.
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9 Co-sponsors added: Representatives Benefield, Butcher, Carroll M, Curry,
10 Ferrandino, Gagliardi, Gallegos, Garza-Hicks, Green, Hodge, Labuda, Liston,
11 Looper, Madden, Marostica, McNulty, Merrifield, Mitchell, Peniston, Rose,
12 Stafford, White.
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15 House in recess. House reconvened.
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18 **APPOINTMENTS**

19 **AGRICULTURE, LIVESTOCK, & NATURAL RESOURCES**

20 Representative Scanlan replaced Representative Gibbs
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22 **BUSINESS AFFAIRS & LABOR**

23 Representative Mitchell replaced Representative King
24 Representative Ferrandino replaced Representative Cerbo
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26 **EDUCATION**

27 Representative Witwer replaced Representative Mitchell.
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29 **FINANCE**

30 Representative Kerr J replaced Representative Marostica
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32 **HEALTH & HUMAN SERVICES**

33 Representatives Garza-Hicks
34 Representative Marostica
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36 **JUDICIARY**

37 Representative Stafford, Vice-Chairman
38 Representative Jahn replaced Representative Cerbo
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40 **LOCAL GOVERNMENT**

41 Representative King replaced Representative Looper
42 Representative Liston replaced Representative Witwer
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44 **STATE, VETERANS, & MILITARY AFFAIRS**

45 Representative Looper replaced Representative Liston
46 Representative Ferrandino replaced Representative Jahn
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48 **TRANSPORTATION & ENERGY**

49 Representative Green, Vice-Chairman
50 Representative Scanlan replaced Representative Gibbs
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52 **CAPITOL DEVELOPMENT**

53 Representative Marostica replaced Representative Witwer
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1 **HOUSE SERVICES**

2 Representative Massey replaced Representative Garza-Hicks
 3 Representative Vaad replaced Representative Kerr J
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 6 **PRINTING REPORT**
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8 The Chief Clerk reports the following bills have been correctly
 9 pre-printed: **HB08-1001, 1002, 1003, 1004, 1005, 1006, 1007, 1008,**
 10 **1009, 1010, 1011, 1012, 1013, 1014, 1015, 1016, 1017, 1018, 1019,**
 11 **1020, 1021, 1022, 1023, 1024, 1025, 1026, 1027, 1028, 1029, 1030,**
 12 **1031, 1032, 1033, 1034, 1035, 1036, 1037.**
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 17 **INTRODUCTION OF BILLS**
 18 **First Reading**
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20 The following bills were read by title and referred to the committees
 21 indicated:
 22

23 **HB08-1001** by Representative(s) Riesberg, Jahn, Primavera; also
 24 Senator(s) Bacon, Romer, Shaffer, Windels--Concerning
 25 the advancement of bioscience discoveries in Colorado.
 26 Committee on Finance
 27

28 **HB08-1002** by Representative(s) King, Buescher; also Senator(s)
 29 Bacon, Penry--Concerning the authority of certain
 30 institutions of higher education to invest moneys.
 31 Committee on Education
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33 **HB08-1003** by Representative(s) Balmer; also Senator(s) Tupa--
 34 Concerning a special congressional vacancy election for
 35 purposes of continuity in representation upon the
 36 declaration of the speaker of the United States house of
 37 representatives pursuant to 2 U.S.C. sec. 8 (b).
 38 Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
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 41 **HB08-1004** by Representative(s) Todd; also Senator(s) Penry--
 42 Concerning the authorization of law enforcement agencies
 43 to work jointly with school districts in enforcing
 44 compulsory school attendance laws.
 45 Committee on Education
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47 **HB08-1005** by Representative(s) Frangas; also Senator(s) Boyd--
 48 Concerning changes to the program for collaborative
 49 management of multi-agency services provided to children
 50 and families.
 51 Committee on Health and Human Services
 52

53 **HB08-1006** by Representative(s) Jahn--Concerning visits by children
 54 in foster care with their siblings.
 55 Committee on Health and Human Services
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- 1 **HB08-1007** by Representative(s) Looper--Concerning the modification
2 of statutory provisions enacted by the general assembly
3 during the 2006 legislative session that impose certain
4 requirements on private toll companies for the purpose of
5 alleviating consequences of those provisions that may
6 affect real property.
7 Committee on Transportation & Energy
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- 9 **HB08-1008** by Representative(s) Garcia--Concerning a requirement
10 that notice be provided in connection with the filing of a
11 petition for municipal incorporation.
12 Committee on Local Government
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- 14 **HB08-1009** by Representative(s) Massey, Casso, Green; also
15 Senator(s) Morse, Boyd, Shaffer--Concerning emergency
16 medical care coverage in connection with an automobile
17 insurance policy issued in Colorado.
18 Committee on Business Affairs and Labor
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- 20 **HB08-1010** by Representative(s) McFadyen, Merrifield; also
21 Senator(s) Takis--Concerning the fines imposed for
22 violations involving motor vehicles.
23 Committee on Transportation & Energy
24
- 25 **HB08-1011** by Representative(s) Green--Concerning the statute of
26 limitations applicable to civil actions arising from the
27 commission of sexual assaults against children.
28 Committee on Judiciary
29
- 30 **HB08-1012** by Representative(s) Vaad; also Senator(s) Spence--
31 Concerning a requirement that the transportation
32 commission evaluate the state highway system, and, in
33 connection therewith, requiring the commission to remove
34 roads from the system if it determines that it is feasible and
35 appropriate to do so.
36 Committee on Transportation & Energy
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- 38 **HB08-1013** by Representative(s) Sonnenberg--Concerning a sales tax
39 exemption for a sale related to a school.
40 Committee on Finance
41
- 42 **HB08-1014** by Representative(s) Looper; also Senator(s) Gordon--
43 Concerning a requirement to transfer a well permit upon
44 conveyance of residential real property.
45 Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources
46
- 47 **HB08-1015** by Representative(s) Marostica--Concerning authorization
48 for local governments to engage in marketing activities.
49 Committee on Local Government
50
- 51 **HB08-1016** by Representative(s) Solano, Stafford; also Senator(s)
52 Boyd, Windels--Concerning juvenile justice procedures
53 for juveniles who may benefit from mental health services.
54 Committee on Judiciary
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- 1 **HB08-1017** by Representative(s) Peniston; also Senator(s) Veiga--
2 Concerning the designation of the western painted turtle as
3 the state reptile.
4 Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
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- 6 **HB08-1018** by Representative(s) Primavera--Concerning allowing
7 nonadjacent judicial districts to establish a volunteer court-
8 appointed special advocate program.
9 Committee on Judiciary
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- 11 **HB08-1019** by Representative(s) Casso; also Senator(s) Sandoval--
12 Concerning the provision of educational services for
13 children in out-of-home placements.
14 Committee on Education
15
- 16 **HB08-1020** by Representative(s) Madden; also Senator(s) Veiga--
17 Concerning recovery of costs in a case in which the
18 plaintiff receives a judgment that is less than a rejected
19 settlement offer.
20 Committee on Judiciary
21
- 22 **HB08-1021** by Representative(s) Peniston--Concerning early access to
23 educational services for gifted children who are less than
24 six years of age.
25 Committee on Education
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- 27 **HB08-1022** by Representative(s) Carroll T.--Concerning requirements
28 for a mandatory consecutive sentence for escape
29 convictions.
30 Committee on Judiciary
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- 32 **HB08-1023** by Representative(s) Kerr J., Frangas, Kerr A.; also
33 Senator(s) Boyd--Concerning criminalizing the possession
34 of graffiti tools.
35 Committee on Judiciary
36
- 37 **HB08-1024** by Representative(s) Merrifield; also Senator(s) Windels--
38 Concerning the statistical model for determining
39 longitudinal analysis of Colorado student assessment
40 program assessments.
41 Committee on Education
42
- 43 **HB08-1025** by Representative(s) Weissmann--Concerning the
44 governor's energy office.
45 Committee on Transportation & Energy
46
- 47 **HB08-1026** by Representative(s) Fischer, Kefalas, McGihon, Solano,
48 Levy, Butcher, Carroll M.--Concerning the Colorado water
49 resources research institute, and, in connection therewith,
50 changing the name of the institute to the Colorado water
51 institute, expanding the duties of the institute, and
52 authorizing the institute as a contracting entity for water
53 research.
54 Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources
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- 1 **HB08-1027** by Representative(s) Mitchell V., Kerr J., Marshall,
2 Primavera; also Senator(s) Taylor, Isgar, Takis--
3 Concerning building inspection requirements for
4 educational institutions.
5 Committee on Education
6
- 7 **HB08-1028** by Representative(s) Mitchell V., Balmer, Gagliardi,
8 Gardner B., Garza-Hicks, Green, Kerr J., Liston,
9 Marostica, McNulty, Peniston, Riesberg, Rose, Summers,
10 Todd, Witwer; also Senator(s) Sandoval, Bacon, Gordon,
11 Hagedorn, Isgar, Kester, Penry, Schultheis, Spence,
12 Tochtrop, Ward, Wiens, Williams--Concerning the
13 voluntary contribution designation benefiting the
14 Alzheimer's Association fund that appears on the state
15 individual income tax return forms, and, in connection
16 therewith, extending the period for the contribution
17 designation.
18 Committee on Finance
19
- 20 **HB08-1029** by Representative(s) McFadyen; also Senator(s) Tapia--
21 Concerning the inclusion of expenditures made to fund
22 lottery prize reserves in the definition of cash prize.
23 Committee on Finance
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- 25 **HB08-1030** by Representative(s) Hodge, Curry, Gardner C., McKinley,
26 White; also Senator(s) OBrophy, Isgar, Schwartz,
27 Tochtrop--Concerning the exemption of depletions from
28 pumping that occurred prior to 1974.
29 Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources
30
- 31 **HB08-1031** by Representative(s) Pommer; also Senator(s) Keller,
32 Williams--Concerning the creation of the position of
33 navigator to assist persons who are on the waiting list for
34 persons with developmental disabilities.
35 Committee on Health and Human Services
36
- 37 **HB08-1032** by Representative(s) Massey, Green, Riesberg; also
38 Senator(s) Morse, Boyd--Concerning a change in
39 payments to pharmacies for certain drugs under medicaid.
40 Committee on Health and Human Services
41
- 42 **HB08-1033** by Representative(s) Levy, Benefield, Borodkin, Buescher,
43 Ferrandino, Fischer, Frangas, Massey, Merrifield, Rice,
44 White; also Senator(s) Sandoval, Bacon, Gibbs, Isgar,
45 Keller, Penry, Schwartz, Veiga--Concerning the tax credit
46 for costs incurred in preservation of historic properties.
47 Committee on Finance
48
- 49 **HB08-1034** by Representative(s) Garza-Hicks and Ferrandino,
50 McGihon; also Senator(s) Veiga--Concerning
51 clarifications to employer tax credits for taxpayers
52 utilizing employee leasing companies.
53 Committee on Finance
54
- 55 **HB08-1035** by Representative(s) Carroll M. and Swalm, Garza-Hicks,
56 Kefalas, Solano; also Senator(s) Morse--Concerning the

- 1 voluntary contribution designation benefiting the military
2 family relief fund that appears on the state individual
3 income tax return forms, and, in connection therewith,
4 extending the period for the contribution designation.
5 Committee on Finance
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- 7 **HB08-1036** by Representative(s) McFadyen, Green, Levy, Marostica,
8 McNulty, Merrifield, Rice, Sonnenberg, Swalm; also
9 Senator(s) Williams, Takis, Gibbs--Concerning prevention
10 of dangerous conditions on roadways.
11 Committee on Transportation & Energy
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- 13 **HB08-1037** by Representative(s) Madden, May M.; also Senator(s)
14 Gordon--Concerning expenditures of the legislative
15 department.
16 Committee on Appropriations
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- 18 **HB08-1038** by Representative(s) Riesberg--Concerning funding for the
19 regulation of assisted living residences.
20 Committee on Health and Human Services
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- 22 **HB08-1039** by Representative(s) Summers, McNulty; also Senator(s)
23 Renfroe--Concerning a requirement that identification
24 used for election-related purposes contain a photograph of
25 the eligible elector.
26 Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
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- 28 **HB08-1040** by Representative(s) Kerr A., Ferrandino, Frangas,
29 Gagliardi, Green, McGihon, Primavera, Stafford; also
30 Senator(s) Boyd--Concerning addiction counselors.
31 Committee on Health and Human Services
32
- 33 **HB08-1041** by Representative(s) Carroll M., Madden; also Senator(s)
34 Gordon, Tupa--Concerning the enforcement of legal
35 requirements pertaining to campaign finance.
36 Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
37
- 38 **HB08-1042** by Representative(s) McKinley; also Senator(s) Brophy--
39 Concerning an exemption from the "Colorado Veterinary
40 Practice Act" for trained animal massage practitioners.
41 Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources
42
- 43 **HB08-1043** by Representative(s) Butcher; also Senator(s) Sandoval--
44 Concerning codification of the consumer insurance
45 council.
46 Committee on Business Affairs and Labor
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- 48 **HB08-1044** by Representative(s) Hodge--Concerning facilitation of the
49 use of excess water augmentation credits.
50 Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources
51
- 52 **HB08-1045** by Representative(s) Rice; also Senator(s) Hagedorn--
53 Concerning limitations on special license plates that
54 evidence the registration of motor vehicles.
55 Committee on Transportation & Energy
56

- 1 **HB08-1046** by Representative(s) Stafford, Solano; also Senator(s)
2 Windels, Boyd--Concerning procedures to facilitate the
3 provision of public benefits to offenders transitioning from
4 the criminal justice system.
5 Committee on Judiciary
6
- 7 **HB08-1047** by Representative(s) Gardner B., Garcia, Pommer, Soper;
8 also Senator(s) Boyd, Keller, Spence, Williams--
9 Concerning the creation of a set aside program for a
10 nonprofit agency that bids for state services solicitations
11 when the nonprofit agency employs persons with severe
12 disabilities.
13 Committee on Health and Human Services
14
- 15 **HB08-1048** by Representative(s) Rose--Concerning the size of the
16 state seal.
17 Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
18
- 19 **HB08-1049** by Representative(s) Benefield, Buescher, Massey,
20 McNulty; also Senator(s) Groff, Penry, Romer, Shaffer,
21 Spence, Windels--Concerning the extension of the years
22 for which a taxpayer may claim the income tax credit for
23 child care facilities.
24 Committee on Finance
25
- 26 **HB08-1050** by Representative(s) Marostica; also Senator(s) Tochtrop--
27 Concerning motorcycle driver's license endorsements.
28 Committee on Transportation & Energy
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- 30 **HB08-1051** by Representative(s) Marshall, Kerr J., Mitchell V.,
31 Primavera; also Senator(s) Spence, Isgar, Takis, Taylor--
32 Concerning technical statutory modifications per the 2007
33 state auditor's report regarding core services for families.
34 Committee on Health and Human Services
35
- 36 **HB08-1052** by Representative(s) McGihon; also Senator(s) Shaffer--
37 Concerning the participation of members of the Colorado
38 commission on uniform state laws in the national
39 conference of commissioners on uniform state laws.
40 Committee on Judiciary
41
- 42 **HB08-1053** by Representative(s) McNulty--Concerning the electronic
43 submission of plats to a local government entity.
44 Committee on Local Government
45
- 46 **HB08-1054** by Representative(s) Hodge; also Senator(s) Sandoval--
47 Concerning the fees charged to register a wholesale food
48 facility with the department of public health and
49 environment.
50 Committee on Health and Human Services
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- 52 **HB08-1055** by Representative(s) Witwer; also Senator(s) Shaffer--
53 Concerning the administration of the regulation of
54 business entities.
55 Committee on Business Affairs and Labor
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- 1 **HB08-1056** by Representative(s) White--Concerning emergency
2 contact information in the driver's license database.
3 Committee on Transportation & Energy
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- 5 **HB08-1057** by Representative(s) Sonnenberg, Levy, McFadyen,
6 McNulty, Rice, Swalm; also Senator(s) Williams, Gibbs,
7 Isgar--Concerning tourist-oriented directional signs along
8 rural highways.
9 Committee on Transportation & Energy
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- 11 **HB08-1058** by Representative(s) McGihon; also Senator(s) Gordon--
12 Concerning the enactment of the "Uniform Athlete Agents
13 Act", and, in connection therewith, conforming existing
14 statutes governing the conduct of athlete agents.
15 Committee on Education
16
- 17 **HB08-1059** by Representative(s) Liston; also Senator(s) Romer--
18 Concerning the timing of property tax revenue
19 distributions by a county treasurer to a local governmental
20 entity.
21 Committee on Finance
22
- 23 **HB08-1060** by Representative(s) Gagliardi; also Senator(s) Hagedorn--
24 Concerning the procedure for determining whether an
25 advanced practice nurse will be granted participating
26 provider status for a health benefit plan.
27 Committee on Health and Human Services
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- 29 **HB08-1061** by Representative(s) Roberts--Concerning signatures by
30 advanced practice nurses on specified documents within
31 the scope of practice of an advanced practice nurse.
32 Committee on Health and Human Services
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- 34 **HB08-1062** by Representative(s) Green, Casso, Massey, Riesberg,
35 Swalm; also Senator(s) Boyd, Morse, Shaffer--Concerning
36 the expansion of the prescription drug information and
37 technical assistance program to include persons receiving
38 drug benefits from any program administered by the
39 department of health care policy and financing.
40 Committee on Health and Human Services
41
- 42 **HB08-1063** by Representative(s) Primavera, Kerr J., Marshall,
43 Mitchell V.; also Senator(s) Isgar, Spence, Takis, Taylor--
44 Concerning capitated payments to medicaid mental health
45 care providers.
46 Committee on Health and Human Services
47
- 48 **HB08-1064** by Representative(s) Labuda, Curry, McGihon; also
49 Senator(s) Williams, Gordon, Romer--Concerning the
50 regulation of naturopathic doctors.
51 Committee on Health and Human Services
52
- 53 **HB08-1065** by Representative(s) May M.--Concerning the authority of
54 a county to enforce county ordinances within the boundary
55 of the county.
56 Committee on Local Government

- 1 **HB08-1066** by Representative(s) Gardner C., Balmer, Gardner B.,
2 Garza-Hicks, Lambert, Liston, Looper, Marostica,
3 McFadyen, McNulty, Sonnenberg, Summers; also
4 Senator(s) Harvey, Brophy, Cadman, Penry, Schultheis--
5 Concerning the use of physical force against a person who
6 makes an unlawful entry into a place of business.
7 Committee on Judiciary
8
- 9 **HB08-1067** by Representative(s) Gardner B.; also Senator(s) Kester--
10 Concerning immunity for parole administrative hearing
11 officers when acting within the scope of their
12 responsibilities as public employees.
13 Committee on Judiciary
14
- 15 **HB08-1068** by Representative(s) Gallegos--Concerning waiving
16 tuition costs for recipients of certain military combat
17 awards.
18 Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs
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- 21 **HB08-1069** by Representative(s) Curry; also Senator(s) Tochtrop--
22 Concerning a prohibition against operating a motor vehicle
23 on public land unless the public land is authorized for such
24 use by the controlling land management agency, and, in
25 connection therewith, authorizing peace officers to enforce
26 the prohibition.
27 Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources
28
- 29 **HB08-1070** by Representative(s) Riesberg, Benefield, Rice; also
30 Senator(s) Tochtrop, Morse, Williams--Concerning the
31 redetermination of benefits payable under the fire and
32 police pension association's statewide defined benefit plan
33 for new hire members, and, in connection therewith,
34 establishing limits on such benefit increases.
35 Committee on Local Government
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- 38 **HB08-1071** by Representative(s) Rose--Concerning notice on driver's
39 licenses that a person has committed certain alcohol-
40 related driving offenses.
41 Committee on Transportation & Energy
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- 43 **HB08-1072** by Representative(s) Soper, Pommer; also Senator(s)
44 Williams--Concerning employment incentives for people
45 with disabilities through a medicaid buy-in program.
46 Committee on Health and Human Services
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- 49 **HB08-1073** by Representative(s) Massey; also Senator(s) Shaffer--
50 Concerning the exemption of certain industrial wastewater
51 treatment facilities from the requirement to operate under
52 the supervision of a certified operator.
53 Committee on Agriculture, Livestock, & Natural Resources
54
- 55 **HB08-1074** by Representative(s) Borodkin, Levy, Rice; also Senator(s)
56 Hagedorn--Concerning the elimination of provisions of the

1 "Outdoor Advertising Act" relating to dates prior to which
2 nonconforming advertising devices must have been
3 erected.

4 Committee on Transportation & Energy

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6 **HB08-1075** by Representative(s) Kefalas, Gagliardi, Stafford--
7 Concerning the creation of a professional review
8 committee by the medical staff of an ambulatory surgical
9 center.

10 Committee on Health and Human Services

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12 **HB08-1076** by Representative(s) Ferrandino--Concerning fees for
13 copies of criminal justice records.

14 Committee on State, Veterans, & Military Affairs

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16 **HB08-1077** by Representative(s) King--Concerning the payment of
17 moneys from the state general fund to the Colorado state
18 veterans trust fund.

19 Committee on Finance

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21 **HB08-1078** by Representative(s) Buescher; also Senator(s) Morse,
22 Shaffer--Concerning a transfer of moneys from the state
23 general fund to the Colorado state veterans trust fund.

24 Committee on Finance

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26 **HB08-1079** by Representative(s) Jahn--Concerning state assistance for
27 vocational education.

28 Committee on Education

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32 **INTRODUCTION OF RESOLUTION**

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34 The following resolution was read by title and laid over one day under the
35 rules:

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37 **HR08-1004** by Representative(s) Madden, May M.--Concerning
38 changes to the rules of the House of Representatives.

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41 On motion of Representative Madden, the House adjourned until
42 9:00 a.m., January 10, 2007.

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Approved:
ANDREW ROMANOFF,
Speaker

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47 Attest:
48 MARILYN EDDINS,
49 Chief Clerk