

**HOUSE JOURNAL**  
**SEVENTIETH GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
**STATE OF COLORADO**  
**First Regular Session**

**ADDENDUM**

(As authorized by Section 26, Article V of  
the Constitution of the State of Colorado.)

**MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE**

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Madam Speaker:

The Senate has adopted and returns herewith: HJR15-1026.

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**SIGNING OF BILLS - RESOLUTIONS - MEMORIALS**

The Speaker signed the following House documents:

**HB15-1006, 1033, 1170, 1219, 1229, 1313, 1364, 1391.**  
**HB15-1228, 1249, 1307, 1317, 1333, 1352, 1353, 1357, 1368;**  
**HM15-1001; HJR15-1025, 1026.**  
**HB15-1013, 1043, 1057, 1063, 1083, 1098, 1130, 1178, 1226,**  
**1230, 1247, 1261, 1273, 1275, 1276, 1281, 1282, 1283, 1285,**  
**1287, 1290, 1301, 1303, 1305, 1309, 1316, 1318, 1321, 1323,**  
**1327, 1335, 1340, 1341, 1343, 1345, 1350, 1355, 1358, 1359,**  
**1360, 1365, 1366, 1367, 1370, 1371, 1372, 1373, 1377, 1379,**  
**1387, 1390, 1392.**  
**HB15-1233, 1310, 1344, 1348.**

The Speaker signed the following Senate documents:

**SB15-012, 020, 022, 121, 138, 205, 282, 290.**  
**SB15-185, 192, 195, 199, 207, 253.**  
**SB15-004, 011, 014, 029, 056, 090, 102, 109, 119, 124, 184, 206,**  
**208, 209, 210, 214, 217, 218, 219, 228, 229, 265, 278, 283, 288.**  
**SB15-067, 087, 115, 196, 202, 204, 212, 213, 220, 221, 226, 254,**  
**256, 260, 261, 262, 264, 267, 270, 271, 276, 281.**  
**SJM15-001; SJR15-023, 024, 028, 029, 030, 032.**

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**DELIVERY OF BILLS TO GOVERNOR**

The Chief Clerk of the House of Representatives reports the following  
bills have been delivered to the Office of the Governor:

**HB15-1016, 1030, 1102, 1129, 1180, 1181, 1232, 1252, 1270, 1274,**  
**1277** at 11:40 a.m. on May 8, 2015.

**HB15-1006, 1033, 1170, 1219, 1229, 1313, 1364, 1391** at 12:00 p.m. on  
May 11, 2015.

1 **HB15-1348** at 9:35 a.m. on May 12, 2015.

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3 **HB15-1228, 1249, 1317, 1333, 1352, 1353, 1357, 1368** at 1:27 p.m. on  
4 May 13, 2015.

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6 **HB15-1233, 1307, 1310, 1318, 1321, 1344, 1358, 1377** at 10:38 a.m. on  
7 May 14, 2015.

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9 **HB15-1057** at 9:34 a.m. on May 18, 2015.

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11 **HB15-1013, 1043, 1063, 1083, 1098, 1130, 1178, 1226, 1230, 1247,**  
12 **1261, 1273, 1275, 1276, 1281, 1282, 1283, 1285, 1287, 1290, 1301,**  
13 **1303, 1305, 1309, 1316, 1323, 1335, 1340, 1341, 1343, 1345, 1350,**  
14 **1355, 1359, 1360, 1365, 1366, 1367, 1370, 1371, 1372, 1373, 1379,**  
15 **1387, 1390, 1392** at 11:42 a.m. on May 18, 2015

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17 **HB15-1327** at 12:06 p.m. on May 18, 2015.

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## 22 MESSAGE(S) FROM THE GOVERNOR

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24 I certify I received the following on the 11th day of May, 2015, at  
25 9:35 a.m. The original is on file in the records of the House of  
26 Representatives of the General Assembly.

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Marilyn Eddins,  
Chief Clerk of the House

29

30 May 8, 2015

31

32 House of Representatives  
33 Seventieth General Assembly  
34 State Capitol  
35 Denver, CO 80203

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37 Ladies and Gentlemen:

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39 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with  
40 the Secretary of State the following Acts:

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42 HB 15-1299: CONCERNING USE OF THE PETROLEUM STORAGE  
43 TANK FUND FOR INCENTIVES FOR SIGNIFICANT  
44 OPERATIONAL COMPLIANCE WITH REGARD TO  
45 PETROLEUM STORAGE TANKS.

46

47 Approved May 8, 2015 at 2:36 pm.

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49 HB 15-1187: CONCERNING MENTAL HEALTH EVALUATIONS OF  
50 LICENSED VETERINARIANS CONDUCTED BY A  
51 VETERINARIAN PEER HEALTH ASSISTANCE  
52 PROGRAM AS ORDERED BY THE STATE BOARD OF  
53 VETERINARY MEDICINE.

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55 Approved May 8, 2015 at 2:36 pm.

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- 1 HB 15-1131: CONCERNING THE RELEASE OF INFORMATION  
2 RELATED TO CRITICAL INCIDENTS THAT OCCUR IN  
3 FACILITIES OPERATED BY THE DIVISION OF YOUTH  
4 CORRECTIONS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,  
5 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
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7 Approved May 8, 2015 at 2:37 pm.  
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- 10 HB 15-1242: CONCERNING THE RIGHT OF A MEDICAL PATIENT TO  
11 DESIGNATE A CAREGIVER TO ASSIST THE PATIENT  
12 WITH BASIC TASKS FOLLOWING RELEASE FROM A  
13 MEDICAL FACILITY.  
14  
15 Approved May 8, 2015 at 2:38 pm.  
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17
- 18 HB 15-1243: CONCERNING INCREASED SPENDING AUTHORITY  
19 FOR THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE, AND, IN  
20 CONNECTION THEREWITH, ESTABLISHING THE  
21 PARKS FOR FUTURE GENERATIONS TRUST FUND,  
22 AMENDING THE WILDLIFE FOR FUTURE  
23 GENERATIONS TRUST FUND, AND GIVING THE  
24 DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE EXPLICIT  
25 SPENDING AUTHORITY OVER MONEYS RECEIVED TO  
26 MITIGATE OR OFFSET ADVERSE IMPACTS TO THE  
27 STATE'S PARKS AND WILDLIFE RESOURCES.  
28  
29 Approved May 8, 2015 at 2:38 pm.  
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- 31 HB 15-1267: CONCERNING CONDITIONS OF PROBATION RELATING  
32 TO MEDICAL MARIJUANA.  
33  
34 Approved May 8, 2015 at 2:38 pm.  
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- 36 HB 15-1304: CONCERNING A PLAN TO STUDY THE AVAILABLE  
37 BEAR MANAGEMENT TOOLS YEAR ROUND TO  
38 ADDRESS BEAR-HUMAN CONFLICTS.  
39  
40 Approved May 8, 2015 at 2:41 pm.  
41
- 42 HB 15-1284: CONCERNING MEASURES TO ENHANCE PROGRAM  
43 EFFICIENCY FOR SHARED PHOTOVOLTAIC ENERGY  
44 GENERATION FACILITIES.  
45  
46 Approved May 8, 2015 at 2:46 pm.  
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- 48 HB 15-1015: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF AN INTERSTATE  
49 COMPACT ALLOWING STATES THAT ENTER THE  
50 COMPACT TO SHARE EMERGENCY MEDICAL  
51 SERVICE PROVIDERS UNDER CERTAIN  
52 CIRCUMSTANCES.  
53  
54 Approved May 8, 2015 at 2:51 pm.  
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1 HB 15-1134: CONCERNING THE NEW VEHICLE EXEMPTION FOR  
2 EMISSIONS TESTING OF HEAVIER DIESEL VEHICLES  
3 WITH A MODEL YEAR THAT IS NO OLDER THAN 2014.  
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5 Approved May 8, 2015 at 2:54 pm.  
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7 Sincerely,  
8 (Signed)  
9 John W. Hickenlooper  
10 Governor  
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14 I certify I received the following on the 12th day of May, 2015, at  
15 11:15 a.m. The original is on file in the records of the House of  
16 Representatives of the General Assembly.  
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18 Marilyn Eddins,  
19 Chief Clerk of the House  
20

21 May 11, 2015  
22

23 House of Representatives  
24 Seventieth General Assembly  
25 State Capitol  
26 Denver, CO 80203  
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28 Ladies and Gentlemen:  
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30 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with  
31 the Secretary of State the following Acts:  
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33 HB 15-1198: CONCERNING ENACTMENT OF THE 2008  
34 AMENDMENTS TO THE "UNIFORM INTERSTATE  
35 FAMILY SUPPORT ACT".  
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37 Approved May 11, 2015 at 2:05 pm.  
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40 HB 15-1212: CONCERNING MAKING PERMANENT THE STATE  
41 BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS' AUTHORITY TO  
42 SELL STATE TRUST LAND TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS.  
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44 Approved May 11, 2015 at 2:06 pm.  
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46 HB 15-1214: CONCERNING OPIOID ANALGESICS WITH ABUSE-  
47 DETERRENT PROPERTIES.  
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49 Approved May 11, 2015 at 2:06 pm.  
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51 HB 15-1280: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A CAPITAL  
52 RESERVE IN CERTAIN CASH FUNDS.  
53

54 Approved May 11, 2015 at 2:06 pm.  
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1 HB 15-1308: CONCERNING CERTAIN RESPONSIBILITIES OF THE  
2 LEGISLATIVE BRANCH WITH RESPECT TO THE  
3 "STATE MEASUREMENT FOR ACCOUNTABLE,  
4 RESPONSIVE, AND TRANSPARENT (SMART)  
5 GOVERNMENT ACT".  
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7 Approved May 11, 2015 at 2:07 pm.  
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9 Sincerely,  
10 (Signed)  
11 John W. Hickenlooper  
12 Governor  
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16 I certify I received the following on the 14th day of May, 2015, at  
17 1:15 p.m. The original is on file in the records of the House of  
18 Representatives of the General Assembly.  
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20 Marilyn Eddins,  
21 Chief Clerk of the House  
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23 May 12, 2015  
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25 House of Representatives  
26 Seventieth General Assembly  
27 State Capitol  
28 Denver, CO 80203  
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30 Ladies and Gentlemen:  
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32 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with  
33 the Secretary of State the following Acts:  
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35 HB 15-1006: CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A GRANT  
36 PROGRAM FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF INVASIVE  
37 PHREATOPHYTES, AND, IN CONNECTION  
38 THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
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40 Approved May 12, 2015 at 2:48 pm.  
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42 Sincerely,  
43 (Signed)  
44 John W. Hickenlooper  
45 Governor  
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47 \_\_\_\_\_  
48 May 13, 2015  
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50 House of Representatives  
51 Seventieth General Assembly  
52 State Capitol  
53 Denver, CO 80203  
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55 Ladies and Gentlemen:  
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1 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with  
2 the Secretary of State the following Acts:

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4 HB 15-1173: CONCERNING A REQUIREMENT THAT MOTOR  
5 VEHICLES HAVE CERTAIN TRACTION EQUIPMENT  
6 WHEN DRIVING ON THE INTERSTATE 70 MOUNTAIN  
7 CORRIDOR

8  
9 Approved May 13, 2015 at 12:57 pm.

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11 HB 15-1225: CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF STATE ASSISTANCE  
12 TO LOCAL GOVERNMENTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
13 IMPROVED COORDINATION IN FEDERAL LAND  
14 MANAGEMENT DECISION-MAKING, AND, IN  
15 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
16 APPROPRIATION

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18 Approved May 13, 2015 at 10:25 am.

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20 HB 15-1271: CONCERNING THE FUNDING OF MOBILE LEARNING  
21 LABS THROUGH THE COLORADO EXISTING  
22 INDUSTRY TRAINING PROGRAM.

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24 Approved May 13, 2015 at 2:10 pm.

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26 Sincerely,  
27 (Signed)  
28 John W. Hickenlooper  
29 Governor

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33 I certify I received the following on the 19th day of May, 2015, at  
34 9:30 a.m. The original is on file in the records of the House of  
35 Representatives of the General Assembly.

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37 Marilyn Eddins,  
38 Chief Clerk of the House

39 May 14, 2015

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41 House of Representatives  
42 Seventieth General Assembly  
43 State Capitol  
44 Denver, CO 80203

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46 Ladies and Gentlemen:

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48 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with  
49 the Secretary of State the following Acts:

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51 HB 15-1232: CONCERNING THE EMERGENCY USE OF EPINEPHRINE  
52 AUTO-INJECTORS BY AUTHORIZED ENTITIES, AND, IN  
53 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
54 APPROPRIATION.

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56 Approved May 14, 2015 at 2:48 pm.

1 HB 15-1217: CONCERNING THE ABILITY OF A LOCAL LICENSING  
2 AUTHORITY TO PROVIDE INPUT TO THE STATE  
3 LICENSING AUTHORITY ON APPLICATIONS FOR  
4 APPROVAL TO OPERATE A SALES ROOM SUBMITTED  
5 BY CERTAIN PERSONS LICENSED UNDER THE  
6 "COLORADO LIQUOR CODE", AND, IN CONNECTION  
7 THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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9 Approved May 14, 2015 at 5:03 pm.

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12 HB 15-1358: CONCERNING CREATING A PERMANENT  
13 DIFFERENTIAL RESPONSE PROGRAM FOR CHILD  
14 ABUSE OR NEGLECT CASES OF LOW OR MODERATE  
15 RISK.

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17 Approved May 14, 2015 at 3:18 pm.

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19 Sincerely,  
20 (Signed)  
21 John W. Hickenlooper  
22 Governor

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26 May 18, 2015  
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28 House of Representatives  
29 Seventieth General Assembly  
30 State Capitol  
31 Denver, CO 80203

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33 Ladies and Gentlemen:

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35 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with the  
36 Secretary of State the following Acts:

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38 HB 15-1270: CONCERNING AUTHORIZATION FOR LOCAL  
39 EDUCATION PROVIDERS TO OPERATE PATHWAYS IN  
40 TECHNOLOGY EARLY COLLEGE HIGH SCHOOLS, AND,  
41 IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
42 APPROPRIATION.

43  
44 Approved May 18, 2015 at 9:38 am.

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46  
47 HB 15-1274: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF CAREER PATHWAYS  
48 FOR STUDENTS FOR CRITICAL OCCUPATIONS IN  
49 GROWING INDUSTRIES, AND, IN CONNECTION  
50 THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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52 Approved May 18, 2015 at 9:40 am.

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55 HB 15-1057: CONCERNING THE PROCESS FOR A STATEWIDE  
56 INITIATIVE TO BE PLACED ON A BALLOT, AND, IN

1 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
2 APPROPRIATION.

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4 Approved May 18, 2015 at 11:07 am.  
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6 Sincerely,  
7 (Signed)  
8 John W. Hickenlooper  
9 Governor

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13 I certify I received the following on the 20th day of May, 2015, at  
14 3:05 p.m. The original is on file in the records of the House of  
15 Representatives of the General Assembly.

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17 Marilyn Eddins,  
18 Chief Clerk of the House

19 May 19, 2015  
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21 House of Representatives  
22 Seventieth General Assembly  
23 State Capitol  
24 Denver, CO 80203

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26 Ladies and Gentlemen:

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28 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with the  
29 Secretary of State the following Acts:

30  
31 HB 15-1377: CONCERNING THE ABILITY OF COOPERATIVE  
32 ELECTRIC ASSOCIATIONS TO OBTAIN RENEWABLE  
33 ENERGY CREDITS THROUGH THE OPERATION OF  
34 SHARED RETAIL DISTRIBUTED GENERATION  
35 FACILITIES.

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37 Approved May 19, 2015 at 10:03 am.

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39 Sincerely,  
40 (Signed)  
41 John W. Hickenlooper  
42 Governor

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44  
45 May 20, 2015  
46  
47 House of Representatives  
48 Seventieth General Assembly  
49 State Capitol  
50 Denver, CO 80203

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52 Ladies and Gentlemen:

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54 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with  
55 the Secretary of State the following Acts:

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- 1 HB 15-1323: CONCERNING ASSESSMENTS IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND, IN  
2 CONNECTION THEREWITH, CODIFYING THE CONSENSUS  
3 RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE STANDARDS AND ASSESSMENTS  
4 TASK FORCE CREATED IN HOUSE BILL 14-1202, AND REDUCING  
5 AN APPROPRIATION.  
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7 Approved May 20, 2015 at 8:46 am.  
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- 9 HB 15-1317: CONCERNING PAY FOR SUCCESS CONTRACTS.  
10  
11 Approved May 20, 2015 at 10:58 am.  
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- 13 HB 15-1129: CONCERNING DISASTER PREDICTION AND DECISION SUPPORT  
14 SYSTEMS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY, AND, IN  
15 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
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17 Approved May 20, 2015 at 11:34 am.  
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- 19 HB 15-1344: CONCERNING THE FINANCING OF STATE CAPITAL  
20 CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS THAT ARE INCLUDED IN THE  
21 NATIONAL WESTERN CENTER OR CAPITOL COMPLEX MASTER  
22 PLANS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AUTHORIZING THE  
23 STATE TO ENTER INTO LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENTS TO  
24 FINANCE FACILITIES FOR COLORADO STATE UNIVERSITY THAT  
25 ARE INCLUDED IN THE NATIONAL WESTERN MASTER PLAN,  
26 CREATING THE NATIONAL WESTERN CENTER TRUST FUND, AND  
27 CREATING A CAPITOL COMPLEX MASTER PLAN  
28 IMPLEMENTATION FUND AS A FUNDING SOURCE FOR PROJECTS  
29 THAT ARE INCLUDED IN THE CAPITOL COMPLEX MASTER PLAN.  
30  
31 Approved May 20, 2015 at 4:11 pm.  
32
- 33 HB 15-1285: CONCERNING USE OF BODY-WORN CAMERAS BY LAW  
34 ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,  
35 ESTABLISHING A GRANT PROGRAM AND A STUDY GROUP TO  
36 RECOMMEND POLICIES ON THE USE OF BODY-WORN CAMERAS  
37 AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
38  
39 Approved May 20, 2015 at 4:50 pm.  
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- 41 HB 15-1287: CONCERNING MEASURES TO IMPROVE PEACE OFFICER TRAINING.  
42  
43 Approved May 20, 2015 at 4:49 pm.  
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- 45 HB 15-1290: CONCERNING PROHIBITING A PEACE OFFICER FROM  
46 INTERFERING WITH A PERSON LAWFULLY RECORDING A PEACE  
47 OFFICER-INVOLVED INCIDENT.  
48  
49 Approved May 20, 2015 at 4:48 pm.  
50
- 51 HB 15-1303: CONCERNING ELIMINATING THE APPLICATION OF CERTAIN  
52 SENTENCING PROVISIONS TO CERTAIN PERSONS WHO ARE  
53 CONVICTED OF ASSAULT IN THE SECOND DEGREE.  
54  
55 Approved May 20, 2015 at 4:47 pm.  
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1 HB 15-1262: CONCERNING SEPARATE LEGAL ENTITIES ESTABLISHED BY A  
 2 CONTRACT BETWEEN TWO OR MORE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS OF  
 3 THE STATE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, CLARIFYING THE  
 4 LEGAL STATUS AND SCOPE OF POWERS OF SUCH AN ENTITY.

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 6 Approved May 20, 2015 at 4:56 pm.

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 8 HB 15-1343: CONCERNING A STREAMLINED PROCESS TO SIMPLIFY THE  
 9 LICENSURE OF PERSONS WHO MANAGE THE AFFAIRS OF COMMON  
 10 INTEREST COMMUNITIES UNDER THE "COLORADO COMMON  
 11 INTEREST OWNERSHIP ACT", AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,  
 12 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

13  
 14 Approved May 20, 2015 at 4:56 pm.

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 16 Sincerely,  
 17 (Signed)  
 18 John W. Hickenlooper  
 19 Governor

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 24 I certify I received the following on the 27th day of May, 2015, at  
 25 11:15 a.m. The original is on file in the records of the House of  
 26 Representatives of the General Assembly.

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 28 Marilyn Eddins,  
 29 Chief Clerk of the House

30 May 22, 2015  
 31  
 32 House of Representatives  
 33 Seventieth General Assembly  
 34 State Capitol  
 35 Denver, CO 80203

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 37 Ladies and Gentlemen:

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 39 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with  
 40 the Secretary of State the following Acts:

41  
 42 HB 15-1321: CONCERNING MEASURES TO SUPPORT RURAL SCHOOL  
 43 DISTRICTS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
 44 APPROPRIATION.

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 46 Approved May 22, 2015 at 10:09 am.

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 48 HB 15-1277: CONCERNING MEASURES TO EFFECTUATE THE CONSERVATION  
 49 OF NATIVE SPECIES IN COLORADO, AND, IN CONNECTION  
 50 THEREWITH, MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FROM THE SPECIES  
 51 CONSERVATION TRUST FUND FOR PURPOSES RECOMMENDED BY  
 52 THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES.

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 54 Approved May 22, 2015 at 1:34 pm.

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- 1 HB 15-1315: CONCERNING SUPPORT FOR COUNTY VETERANS SERVICE  
2 OFFICERS.  
3  
4 Approved May 22, 2015 at 1:31 pm.  
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- 6 HB 15-1307: CONCERNING A MODIFICATION IN THE DEFINITION OF THE TERM  
7 “QUALIFIED COMMERCIAL STRUCTURE” AS THE TERM IS USED IN  
8 THE “COLORADO JOB CREATION AND MAIN STREET  
9 REVITALIZATION ACT”.  
10  
11 Approved May 22, 2015 at 1:30 pm.  
12
- 13 HB 15-1275: CONCERNING MEASURES TO SUPPORT ENROLLMENT IN CAREER  
14 AND TECHNICAL EDUCATION PROGRAMS, AND, IN CONNECTION  
15 THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
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17 Approved May 22, 2015 at 3:33 pm.  
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- 19 Sincerely,  
20 (Signed)  
21 John W. Hickenlooper  
22 Governor  
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24 \_\_\_\_\_  
25 May 26, 2015  
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27 House of Representatives  
28 Seventieth General Assembly  
29 State Capitol  
30 Denver, CO 80203  
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- 32 Ladies and Gentlemen:  
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- 34 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with  
35 the Secretary of State the following Acts:  
36
- 37 HB 15-1230: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE INNOVATIVE INDUSTRIES  
38 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM, AND, IN CONNECTION  
39 THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
40  
41 Approved May 26, 2015 at 9:04 am.  
42
- 43 HB 15-1276: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A MATCHING GRANT PROGRAM  
44 TO FACILITATE RECRUITMENT FOR SKILLED WORKER TRAINING  
45 PROGRAMS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
46 APPROPRIATION.  
47  
48 Approved May 26, 2015 at 9:03 am.  
49
- 50 HB 15-1170: CONCERNING MEASURES TO RAISE THE LEVEL OF  
51 POSTSECONDARY AND WORKFORCE READINESS THAT  
52 COLORADO STUDENTS DEMONSTRATE UPON GRADUATION FROM  
53 HIGH SCHOOL, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
54 APPROPRIATION.  
55  
56 Approved May 26, 2015 at 9:02 am.

1 HB 15-1180: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A STATE SALES AND USE TAX  
 2 REFUND FOR TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY THAT IS USED IN  
 3 COLORADO FOR RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT BY A QUALIFIED  
 4 MEDICAL TECHNOLOGY OR CLEAN TECHNOLOGY TAXPAYER.

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 6 Approved May 26, 2015 at 9:05 am.

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 8 Sincerely,  
 9 (Signed)  
 10 John W. Hickenlooper  
 11 Governor

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 15 I certify I received the following on the 28th day of May, 2015, at  
 16 10:45 a.m. The original is on file in the records of the House of  
 17 Representatives of the General Assembly.

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 19 Marilyn Eddins,  
 20 Chief Clerk of the House

21  
 22 May 27, 2015

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 24 House of Representatives  
 25 Seventieth General Assembly  
 26 State Capitol  
 27 Denver, CO 80203

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 29 Ladies and Gentlemen:

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 31 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with  
 32 the Secretary of State the following Acts:

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 34 HB 15-1030: CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF AN EMPLOYMENT  
 35 SERVICES FOR VETERANS PILOT PROGRAM, AND, IN  
 36 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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 38 Approved May 27, 2015 at 2:55 pm.

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 40 HB 15-1181: CONCERNING THE EXEMPTION FROM THE STATE INCOME TAX OF  
 41 ACTIVE DUTY MILITARY INCOME EARNED BY A RESIDENT  
 42 INDIVIDUAL IN THE ARMED FORCES OF THE UNITED STATES.

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 44 Approved May 27, 2015 at 3:56 pm.

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 46 HB 15-1026: CONCERNING THE ISSUANCE OF MILITARY LICENSE PLATES WITH  
 47 AN IDENTIFYING FIGURE NOTIFYING THE PUBLIC THAT THE  
 48 HOLDER MAY USE RESERVED PARKING FOR PEOPLE WITH  
 49 DISABILITIES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
 50 APPROPRIATION.

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 52 Approved May 27, 2015 at 3:54 pm.

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 54 HB 15-1327: CONCERNING LIMITATIONS ON PROXY MARRIAGES.

55  
 56 Approved May 27, 2015 at 3:52 pm.

1 HB 15-1045: CONCERNING THE AMOUNT A VETERAN MUST PAY TO ENTER  
2 STATE PARKS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
3 APPROPRIATION.

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5 Approved May 27, 2015 at 3:54 pm.

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7 HB 15-1130: CONCERNING VOTING BY ACTIVE MILITARY AND OVERSEAS  
8 VOTERS IN MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS, AND, IN CONNECTION  
9 THEREWITH, EXTENDING CERTAIN DEADLINES THAT GOVERN  
10 THE CONDUCT OF MUNICIPAL ELECTIONS TO ENSURE THAT SUCH  
11 VOTERS HAVE THE SAME ABILITY TO VOTE IN SUCH ELECTIONS  
12 AS THEY DO IN FEDERAL, STATE, AND COUNTY ELECTIONS.

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14 Approved May 27, 2015 at 3:53 pm.

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16 Sincerely,  
17 (Signed)  
18 John W. Hickenlooper  
19 Governor

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23 I certify I received the following on the 4th day of June, 2015, at  
24 7:30 a.m. The original is on file in the records of the House of  
25 Representatives of the General Assembly.

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27 Marilyn Eddins,  
28 Chief Clerk of the House

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30 May 29, 2015  
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32 House of Representatives  
33 Seventieth General Assembly  
34 State Capitol  
35 Denver, CO 80203

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37 Ladies and Gentlemen:

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39 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with  
40 the Secretary of State the following Acts:

41  
42 HB 15-1013: CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF  
43 RECOMMENDATION NUMBER ONE SET FORTH IN THE  
44 STUDY OF THE SOUTH PLATTE RIVER ALLUVIAL  
45 AQUIFER PREPARED BY THE COLORADO WATER  
46 INSTITUTE PURSUANT TO HOUSE BILL 12-1278.

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48 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:45 pm.

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50 HB 15-1016: CONCERNING INCENTIVES FOR PRECIPITATION  
51 HARVESTING, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,  
52 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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54 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:45 pm.

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- 1 HB 15-1019: CONCERNING PROSTITUTION BY A MINOR, AND, IN  
2 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MINORS WHO ARE  
3 VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING  
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5 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:45 pm.  
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- 7 HB 15-1186: CONCERNING HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED  
8 SERVICES FOR CHILDREN WITH AUTISM, AND, IN  
9 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
10 APPROPRIATION.  
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12 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:39 pm.  
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- 14 HB 15-1226: CONCERNING ANNUAL LICENSE FEES FOR RETAIL  
15 FOOD ESTABLISHMENTS.  
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17 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:46 pm.  
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- 20 HB 15-1229: CONCERNING RETALIATION AGAINST A  
21 PROSECUTOR, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,  
22 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
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24 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:46 pm.  
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- 26 HB 15-1233: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE RESPITE CARE  
27 TASK FORCE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,  
28 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
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30 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:46 pm.  
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- 32 HB 15-1281: CONCERNING NEWBORN CONGENITAL HEART  
33 DEFECT SCREENING THROUGH THE USE OF PULSE  
34 OXIMETRY, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,  
35 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
36  
37 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:47 pm.  
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- 39 HB 15-1305: CONCERNING A PROHIBITION ON MANUFACTURING  
40 MARIJUANA CONCENTRATE IN AN UNREGULATED  
41 ENVIRONMENT USING AN INHERENTLY HAZARDOUS  
42 SUBSTANCE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,  
43 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
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45 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:47 pm.  
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- 47 HB 15-1313: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A ROCKY  
48 MOUNTAIN NATIONAL PARK LICENSE PLATE TO  
49 EVIDENCE THAT A VEHICLE HAS BEEN REGISTERED,  
50 AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
51 APPROPRIATION.  
52  
53 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:47 pm.  
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1 HB 15-1348: CONCERNING MODIFICATIONS TO STATUTORY  
2 PROVISIONS GOVERNING URBAN REDEVELOPMENT  
3 TO PROMOTE THE EQUITABLE FINANCIAL  
4 CONTRIBUTION AMONG AFFECTED PUBLIC BODIES  
5 IN CONNECTION WITH URBAN REDEVELOPMENT  
6 PROJECTS ALLOCATING TAX REVENUES.

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8 Approved May 29, 2015 at 4:41 pm.  
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10 HB 15-1364: CONCERNING A LIMITATION ON THE SCOPE OF AN  
11 INSPECTION OF A SMALL HYDROELECTRIC ENERGY  
12 FACILITY CONDUCTED BY THE STATE ELECTRICAL  
13 BOARD.

14  
15 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:47 pm.  
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17 HB 15-1365: CONCERNING ADDING TWO YOUTH MEMBERS TO  
18 THE TONY GRAMPSAS YOUTH SERVICES BOARD.

19  
20 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:48 pm.  
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22 HB 15-1371: CONCERNING AN EXEMPTION TO THE "UNCLAIMED  
23 PROPERTY ACT" FOR FUNDS HELD IN CERTAIN  
24 LAWYER TRUST ACCOUNTS.

25  
26 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:48 pm.  
27

28 HB 15-1372: CONCERNING AN INCREASE IN THE CAP PLACED ON  
29 THE ANNUAL FEE EACH PUBLIC UTILITY PAYS TO  
30 DEFRAID THE ADMINISTRATIVE EXPENSES OF THE  
31 AGENCIES WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF  
32 REGULATORY AGENCIES THAT ADDRESS PUBLIC  
33 UTILITY MATTERS, AND, IN CONNECTION  
34 THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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36 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:48 pm.  
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38 HB 15-1373: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A PROVISIONAL  
39 CERTIFICATION TO PRACTICE SPEECH-LANGUAGE  
40 PATHOLOGY.

41  
42 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:48 pm.  
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44 HB 15-1379: CONCERNING CREATION OF MARIJUANA PERMITTED  
45 ECONOMIC INTEREST REGISTRATIONS, AND, IN  
46 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
47 APPROPRIATION.

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49 Approved May 29, 2015 at 2:49 pm.  
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51 Sincerely,  
52 (Signed)  
53 John W. Hickenlooper  
54 Governor  
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1 May 29, 2015

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3 The Honorable House of Representatives

4 Seventieth General Assembly

5 State Capitol

6 Denver, Colorado 80203

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8 Dear Members of the House of Representatives:

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10 Today, following more than two years of considerable thought,  
11 discussion and negotiation about urban renewal and tax increment financing  
12 (TIF), we are signing into law House Bill 15-1348, "Concerning Modifications  
13 to Statutory Provisions Governing Urban Redevelopment to Promote the  
14 Equitable Financial Contribution Among Affected Public Bodies in Connection  
15 with Urban Redevelopment Projects Allocating Tax Revenues."

16 Last year, we vetoed a different TIF bill, House Bill 14-1375, because  
17 it was inflexible and went a step too far. It contained a formulaic provision that  
18 did not account for the complexity and variety of urban renewal projects. In  
19 vetoing HB 14-1375, we called on the affected stakeholders, along with the  
20 General Assembly, to work together to craft a bipartisan, compromise solution  
21 that would better balance the concerns of all parties. We made clear that a  
22 suitable compromise would establish an equitable method for widening the tax  
23 base supporting TIF, increase the role and participation of counties and affected  
24 local governments, and maintain the flexibility to develop projects that are  
25 focused on addressing the particular needs of a given community.

26 At the beginning of this year, we worked with stakeholders and  
27 legislators to develop a compromise that could meet all of the criteria described  
28 in the veto letter. In particular, House Speaker Dickey Lee Hullinghorst was  
29 instrumental in advancing the conversation. Two TIF bills were introduced, and  
30 near the end of legislative session, members of the General Assembly and other  
31 stakeholders participated in crafting a compromise solution that became HB 15-  
32 1348, as amended. The bipartisan bill ultimately passed with more than a two-  
33 thirds support in both the Senate and the House.

34 We recognize that HB 15-1348 does pose a change in the development  
35 of future urban renewal projects. In doing so, HB 15-1348 accomplishes the  
36 goals we established in last year's veto letter. It increases the role of taxing  
37 jurisdictions. Its provisions will also maintain project flexibility and can  
38 appropriately be used to widen the tax base on a project-by-project basis. It  
39 establishes a participation and mediation process, involving all the jurisdictions  
40 affected by urban renewal. In the most general sense, the bill makes common  
41 sense—by ensuring that all affected taxing jurisdictions have a voice and role  
42 in urban renewal.

43 Following passage of HB 15-1348 we heard from stakeholders,  
44 including those that participated in crafting the compromise solution, that the  
45 bill could be interpreted to contain ambiguities that might jeopardize rights and  
46 expectations of existing urban renewal participants. Some also expressed  
47 concern that Section 4 of the bill, the applicability clause, could be interpreted  
48 to wrap in existing projects. Technical and implementation issues are bound to  
49 arise in any significant legislation that changes existing practices. Moreover, we  
50 are sensitive that participants in existing urban renewal plans should not be  
51 concerned that technical, interpretation, or implementation issues will  
52 substantially impair their existing rights or financial expectations.

53 To reassure existing urban renewal beneficiaries, we will work with the  
54 General Assembly at the outset of the 2016 legislative session on legislation that  
55 will help alleviate any perceived technical, implementation or interpretation  
56 issues with HB 15-1348. Working together with a commitment from General



1 Assembly leaders, our proposal will be consistent with the intended effect of  
2 HB 15-1348: it will distinguish between urban renewal projects that are  
3 materially affected by a substantial modification (which will be described in  
4 additional detail) and those that are unaffected, for which the mediation  
5 provisions should not be invoked. Additionally, our proposal will reaffirm HB  
6 15-1348's intent; that it is not designed to impair existing rights. Finally,  
7 together with legislative leadership, we will convene a small, technical working  
8 group of experts to advance these goals and address potential issues with HB  
9 15-1348 as it is implemented.

10 As we noted last year with regard to House Bill 14-1371, which became  
11 law without signature: "We take the veto power very seriously, and view it as  
12 more than simply a last chance opportunity for a legislative do-over. The veto  
13 power should be exercised judiciously and carefully: to protect essential state  
14 interests, to guard against legislative overreach, and to protect the core rights  
15 and freedoms of all Coloradoans." HB 15-1348 is the result of over two years  
16 of open dialogue, thoughtful conversation, and a robust legislative process. It  
17 is true that HB 15-1348 will change how the urban renewal process proceeds  
18 in Colorado. However, we are confident that together with our proposal,  
19 enacted HB 15-1348 will lead to continued and healthy urban renewal  
20 development in Colorado with increased participation among those affected -  
21 all while preserving the rights and expectations of the beneficiaries of existing  
22 projects.

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24 Sincerely,  
25 (Signed)  
26 Governor John Hickenlooper

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31 June 1, 2015

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33 House of Representatives  
34 Seventieth General Assembly  
35 State Capitol  
36 Denver, CO 80203

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38 Ladies and Gentlemen:

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40 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with  
41 the Secretary of State the following Acts:

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43 HB 15-1043: CONCERNING PENALTIES FOR DUI OFFENDERS, AND,  
44 IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
45 APPROPRIATION.

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47 Approved June 1, 2015 at 2:41 pm.

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50 Sincerely,  
51 (Signed)  
52 John W. Hickenlooper  
53 Governor

1 I certify I received the following on the 4th day of June, 2015, at  
2 10:25 a.m. The original is on file in the records of the House of  
3 Representatives of the General Assembly.

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6 Marilyn Eddins,  
Chief Clerk of the House

7 June 3, 2015

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9 House of Representatives  
10 Seventieth General Assembly  
11 State Capitol  
12 Denver, CO 80203

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14 Ladies and Gentlemen:

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16 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with  
17 the Secretary of State the following Acts:

18  
19 HB 15-1391: CONCERNING AN ADJUSTMENT TO THE TOTAL  
20 EMPLOYER CONTRIBUTION RATE OF THE DENVER  
21 PUBLIC SCHOOLS DIVISION OF THE PUBLIC  
22 EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT ASSOCIATION IN  
23 CONNECTION WITH THE EQUALIZATION STATUS OF  
24 THE ASSOCIATION'S DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS  
25 DIVISION WITH THE ASSOCIATION'S SCHOOL  
26 DIVISION AS REQUIRED BY THE MERGER OF THE  
27 DENVER PUBLIC SCHOOLS RETIREMENT SYSTEM  
28 WITH THE ASSOCIATION.

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30 Approved June 3, 2015 at 10:52 am.

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32 HB 15-1359: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE ACHIEVING A  
33 BETTER LIFE EXPERIENCE (ABLE) SAVINGS  
34 PROGRAM FOR INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES.

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36 Approved June 3, 2015 at 3:06 pm.

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38 Sincerely,  
39 (Signed)  
40 John W. Hickenlooper  
41 Governor.

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44 June 3, 2015

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46 The Honorable Colorado House of Representatives  
47 State Capitol  
48 200 E. Colfax Ave.  
49 Denver, CO 80203

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51 Dear Members of the Colorado House of Representatives:

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53 Today, I vetoed House Bill 15-1098, "Concerning the Elimination  
54 of the Use of Automated Surveillance Camera Vehicle Identification  
55 Systems for Traffic Law Enforcement," at 3:13 pm.

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1 I know too well that speeding and disregard for traffic signals are  
2 a danger for all drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians. These actions may  
3 have very real, at times fatal, consequences. According to the National  
4 Highway Traffic Safety Administration, 481 fatalities occurred on  
5 Colorado roads and highways in 2013 - the third highest among all  
6 western states. Roughly ten percent of those fatalities were pedestrians,  
7 and one-third involved speeding. Photo-radar and red-light cameras are  
8 low-cost options to encourage drivers to follow the rules of the road.  
9 While not always popular, when used correctly they make roads safer.  
10 According to the Colorado Brain Injury Alliance, intersections equipped  
11 with these tools have seen vehicle collisions decrease from 27 to 67  
12 percent in communities such as Boulder, Greenwood Village, and  
13 Denver.

14 We certainly acknowledge that photo-radar and red-light cameras  
15 are not without criticism, and understand the public's need for assurances  
16 that they be used responsibly. As we wrote in our April 30, 2015,  
17 message to the General Assembly, photo-radar and red-light cameras  
18 should be used only in a manner that instills trust in government and  
19 confidence that public safety is paramount. For that reason, photo-  
20 enforcement should be restricted to certain high-risk areas, and citation  
21 revenue should be limited to traffic safety purposes and not simply as a  
22 revenue generator to backfill general government operations. HB 15-  
23 1098 properly restricts citation revenue to traffic safety or transportation-  
24 related projects. Unfortunately, the bill goes too far in banning all photo-  
25 radar and red-light cameras unless a local election is held.

26 Adding a new layer of approval is both redundant and unnecessary.  
27 Voters *already* have ultimate control over photo-enforcement technology  
28 at the ballot box - through citizen-driven initiatives and through regular  
29 elections of public officials. At any time, a person may file a citizen-  
30 driven ballot measure to ban photo-radar and red-light cameras in their  
31 community, or may express opinions by voting for or against their council  
32 members. Our system of representative democracy makes HB 15-1089  
33 unnecessary. The State should not force local governments to bypass  
34 these processes in circumvention of existing laws and thresholds to place  
35 issues on local ballots. Moreover, this tactic is wrongfully designed to  
36 curb photo-radar and red-light cameras by driving local election costs and  
37 thereby deterring communities from this use.

38 Over the past month, we heard from dozens of cities, towns,  
39 neighborhood associations, persons with disabilities, law enforcement,  
40 traffic safety organizations, and parents, children, and spouses of red-light  
41 running victims - all expressed concerns about keeping our roads safe.  
42 We know that no one is ever pleased to receive a traffic ticket. Photo-  
43 enforcement tools may not be universally popular. But some  
44 communities feel the need to use them; others do not. Communities  
45 decide for themselves - as it should be. And the governing boards of  
46 those communities are *always* accountable to their voters.

47 While the State should not dictate to all communities *whether*  
48 these tools should be used, or put new barriers and costs in place, it may  
49 and should provide guard-rails to ensure their use is measured and  
50 limited. Past legislatures have done this well, establishing a number of  
51 sound limitations. For example, visibly large signs must clearly mark  
52 camera locations, and a law enforcement officer or employee must be  
53 physically present when photo-radar is in use. Furthermore, for persons  
54 who receive a citation: fines are capped at \$75 and \$40, respectively;  
55 penalty assessment points cannot be applied against the violator's driver's  
56 license; and the violator's vehicle cannot be booted or immobilized.

1 These are important limitations that the Legislature should build upon.  
2 To that end, we encourage the General Assembly to enact  
3 legislation in 2016 that limits photo-radar and red light cameras to only  
4 the following locations: (1) school zones; (2) construction and roadway  
5 work zones; and (3) areas with disproportionately high traffic and  
6 pedestrian accidents, injuries, and fatalities. Secondly, legislation should  
7 require that fine revenue be used solely for traffic safety improvements  
8 and enforcement, rather than general operating funds or non-  
9 transportation purposes. Today, we also directed the Colorado  
10 Department of Transportation (CDOT) to study the use of automated  
11 traffic enforcement systems. To determine Colorado-specific practices,  
12 CDOT will analyze the use of these technologies in other states, and  
13 compile guidance for local governments on how to use photo-radar and  
14 red-light cameras in a manner that increases highway and road safety,  
15 while ensuring accuracy and accountability.

16 We believe this approach will preserve local authority in deciding  
17 whether to use this traffic safety tool, while also ensuring public  
18 confidence and trust. Together, we can create legislation that continues  
19 to cities and towns to decide what is best for themselves, while also  
20 protecting the safety of drivers, bicyclists, and pedestrians. We stand  
21 ready to work with you.

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23 Sincerely,  
24 (Signed)  
25 John W. Hickenlooper  
26 Governor

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31 June 4, 2015

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33 House of Representatives  
34 Seventieth General Assembly  
35 State Capitol  
36 Denver, CO 80203

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38 Ladies and Gentlemen:

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40 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with the  
41 Secretary of State the following Acts:

42  
43 HB 15-1367: CONCERNING RETAIL MARIJUANA TAXES, AND, IN  
44 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
45 APPROPRIATION.

46  
47 Approved June 4, 2015 at 9:13 am.

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49 HB 15-1249: CONCERNING AMENDMENTS TO THE FEES  
50 ASSOCIATED WITH WATER POLLUTION CONTROL,  
51 AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AND  
52 REDUCING APPROPRIATIONS.

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54 Approved June 4, 2015 at 9:42 am.

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1 HB 15-1341: CONCERNING INCREASING THE PENALTY FROM A  
2 CLASS 6 FELONY TO A CLASS 5 FELONY FOR SEXUAL  
3 EXPLOITATION OF A CHILD BY POSSESSION OF  
4 SEXUALLY EXPLOITATIVE MATERIAL, AND, IN  
5 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
6 APPROPRIATION.

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8 Approved June 4, 2015 at 9:45 am.  
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10 HB 15-1033: CONCERNING LONG-TERM STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS  
11 COLORADO'S AGING POPULATION, AND, IN  
12 CONNECTION THEREWITH, CREATING A STRATEGIC  
13 ACTION PLANNING GROUP TO DEVELOP A  
14 COMPREHENSIVE, LONG-TERM ACTION PLAN FOR  
15 COLORADO'S AGING POPULATION AND MAKING AN  
16 APPROPRIATION.

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18 Approved June 4, 2015 at 9:48 am.  
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20 HB 15-1335: CONCERNING A REQUIREMENT THAT LEGISLATIVE  
21 SERVICE AGENCIES REVIEW THE FISCAL IMPACT OF  
22 LEGISLATIVE MEASURES CONSIDERED BY  
23 COMMITTEES OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY THAT  
24 MEET DURING THE INTERIM.

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26 Approved June 4, 2015 at 9:53 am.  
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28 Sincerely,  
29 (Signed)  
30 John W. Hickenlooper  
31 Governor  
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36 I certify I received the following on the 4th day of June, 2015, at  
37 3:35 p.m. The original is on file in the records of the House of  
38 Representatives of the General Assembly.  
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40 Marilyn Eddins,  
41 Chief Clerk of the House  
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43 June 4, 2015  
44

45 The Honorable Colorado House of Representatives  
46 State Capitol  
47 200 E. Colfax Ave.  
48 Denver, CO 80203  
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50 Dear Members of the Colorado House of Representatives:  
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52 Today, I vetoed House Bill 15-1390, "Concerning an Increase in the  
53 Allowable Finance Charge for Certain Consumer Credit Transactions," at  
54 12:25 pm.

55 House Bill 15-1390 would raise the maximum amount of interest  
56 charged for a supervised loan or a consumer credit sale from 21 percent to 36

1 percent for loans between \$1,000 and \$3,000. HB 15-1390 would also increase,  
2 from 15 percent to 21 percent, the interest rate charged for loans and consumer  
3 credit sales between \$3,000 and \$5,000. These changes would result in a 200  
4 percent increase in the loan amount allowed in the 36 percent interest rate tier  
5 and a two-thirds increase in the 21 percent interest rate tier. As a comparison,  
6 if an increase were made to reflect inflation over the last 15 years since the last  
7 rate adjustment, the increase would be estimated to be 41 percent for both tiers.

8 Over the past four years, Colorado emerged from an economic recession  
9 that had significant impacts on countless Colorado families. During that time,  
10 access to credit and capital became difficult; while many found themselves  
11 without steady income or the means to make ends meet. The Great Recession  
12 had lasting effects on the ability to borrow for many individuals. As Colorado  
13 families continue to recover from the recession, we understand that a  
14 diverse offering of credit products provides viable options to help those who  
15 may still be improving their credit-worthiness.

16 While we certainly see the benefits of offering the loan and credit  
17 products that are considered in this legislation, it has not been clearly  
18 demonstrated that access to such loans is under threat. We are particularly  
19 struck by testimony from the Colorado Attorney General's office: "nothing in  
20 [the Attorney General's Office's] analysis has indicated that [this type of  
21 consumer credit] is a product that is not available, or by changing the step rates  
22 will become available."

23 Still, we are sensitive to the argument that there is a need to adjust the  
24 amount of interest charged for such loans after 15 years; however, we are not  
25 certain that the increase allowed in the legislation is the most appropriate. It is  
26 not unreasonable to expect that profits would be made from offering these loans  
27 and as noted, they can serve as an important resource for those with constrained  
28 credit.

29 Prior to approving any increase in the allowable amount of interest  
30 charged, we believe it is necessary to more fully explore and substantiate the  
31 claim that a change in the law is necessary for these products to be accessible.  
32 Colorado's consumers deserve this clarity as they will ultimately carry the  
33 expense that would result from this legislation. After reviewing how many other  
34 states manage interest charged on similar loans in their states, we found that rate  
35 caps vary across states, and some, including Texas, have unique approaches to  
36 capping rates while allowing for adjustments based on widely accepted  
37 economic indicators such as the Consumer Price Index.

38 We understand the time and resource pressures of the legislature,  
39 especially at the end of our 120-day session, and we realize that the legislation  
40 moved very quickly before many interested parties could fully consider the full  
41 implications of this bill. After discussing this matter with sponsors of this  
42 legislation, we strongly encourage all stakeholders and the General Assembly  
43 to further review the problem that this legislation seeks to solve and, if  
44 necessary, contemplate a reasoned approach to determining any merited  
45 increase in interest rates that would ultimately affect the bottom line of  
46 Colorado families.

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48 Sincerely,  
49 (Signed)  
50 John W. Hickenlooper  
51 Governor

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1 I certify I received the following on the 9th day of June, 2015, at  
2 11:00 am. The original is on file in the records of the House of  
3 Representatives of the General Assembly.

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5 Marilyn Eddins,  
6 Chief Clerk of the House

7 June 5, 2015

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9 House of Representatives  
10 Seventieth General Assembly  
11 State Capitol  
12 Denver, CO 80203

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14 Ladies and Gentlemen:

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16 I have the honor to inform you that I have approved and filed with  
17 the Secretary of State the following Acts:

18  
19 HB 15-1310: CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE DIVISION OF  
20 PARKS AND WILDLIFE TO ACQUIRE REAL PROPERTY  
21 FOR THEIR GARFIELD COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE  
22 OFFICE AND PUBLIC SERVICE CENTER, AND, IN  
23 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
24 APPROPRIATION.

25  
26 Approved June 5, 2015 at 3:15 pm.

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28 HB 15-1318: CONCERNING THE REQUIREMENTS FOR  
29 ADMINISTERING A SINGLE MEDICAID WAIVER FOR  
30 HOME- AND COMMUNITY-BASED SERVICES FOR  
31 ADULTS WITH INTELLECTUAL AND  
32 DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES, AND, IN  
33 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
34 APPROPRIATION

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36 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:11 pm.

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39 HB 15-1252: CONCERNING AN EXTENSION OF THE NUMBER OF  
40 YEARS THE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURN  
41 INCLUDES A VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION  
42 DESIGNATION FOR THE COLORADO HEALTHY  
43 RIVERS FUND.

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45 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:11 pm.

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48 HB 15-1166: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A TRIBUTARY  
49 GROUNDWATER MONITORING NETWORK IN THE  
50 SOUTH PLATTE RIVER ALLUVIAL AQUIFER, AND, IN  
51 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
52 APPROPRIATION.

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54 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:11 pm.  
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- 1 HB 15-1283: CONCERNING MARIJUANA TESTING, AND, IN  
2 CONNECTION THEREWITH, CREATING A REFERENCE  
3 LAB BY DECEMBER 31, 2015, THAT WILL HOUSE A  
4 LIBRARY OF TESTING METHODOLOGIES AND  
5 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
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7 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:12 pm.  
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- 9 HB 15-1368: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A CROSS-SYSTEM  
10 RESPONSE FOR BEHAVIORAL HEALTH CRISES PILOT  
11 PROGRAM TO SERVE INDIVIDUALS WITH  
12 INTELLECTUAL OR DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES,  
13 AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
14 APPROPRIATION.  
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16 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:12 pm.  
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- 18 HB 15-1247: CONCERNING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE  
19 LEGISLATIVE AUDIT COMMITTEE'S  
20 RECOMMENDATIONS FOR REVIEW OF DAM SAFETY.  
21  
22 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:12pm.  
23
- 24 HB 15-1248: CONCERNING LIMITED ACCESS BY PRIVATE CHILD  
25 PLACEMENT AGENCIES TO RECORDS RELATING TO  
26 CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT FOR PURPOSES OF  
27 ENSURING SAFE PLACEMENTS FOR FOSTER  
28 CHILDREN, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,  
29 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
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31 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:12 pm.  
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- 33 HB 15-1355: CONCERNING ACCESS TO PERSONAL RECORDS  
34 RELATING TO A PERSON'S FAMILY HISTORY.  
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36 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:13 pm.  
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- 38 HB 15-1357: CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF THE RATIO  
39 OF VALUATION FOR ASSESSMENT FOR RESIDENTIAL  
40 REAL PROPERTY.  
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42 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:13 pm.  
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- 44 HB 15-1063: CONCERNING PROHIBITED COMMUNICATION  
45 CONCERNING PATENTS, AND, IN CONNECTION  
46 THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
47  
48 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:13 pm.  
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- 50 HB 15-1178: CONCERNING THE STATE ENGINEER'S AUTHORITY  
51 TO ALLOW WELL USERS TO LOWER THE WATER  
52 TABLE IN AN AREA THAT THE STATE ENGINEER  
53 DETERMINES IS EXPERIENCING DAMAGING HIGH  
54 GROUNDWATER LEVELS, AND, IN CONNECTION  
55 THEREWITH, ESTABLISHING AN EMERGENCY  
56 DEWATERING GRANT PROGRAM FOR THE PURPOSE



- 1 OF LOWERING THE WATER TABLE IN AREAS OF  
2 GILCREST, COLORADO, AND STERLING, COLORADO  
3 AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
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5 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:13 pm.  
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- 7 HB 15-1102: CONCERNING THE EXPANSION OF THE "COLORADO  
8 COTTAGE FOODS ACT", AND, IN CONNECTION  
9 THEREWITH, INCREASING THE FOOD PRODUCTS A  
10 PRODUCER CAN SELL UNDER THE ACT, REQUIRING  
11 AN ADDITIONAL DISCLAIMER, AND MAKING AN  
12 APPROPRIATION.  
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14 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:14 pm.  
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- 16  
17 HB 15-1219: CONCERNING THE ENTERPRISE ZONE INVESTMENT  
18 TAX CREDIT FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY PROJECTS,  
19 AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
20 APPROPRIATION.  
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22 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:14 pm.  
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- 25 HB 15-1228: CONCERNING THE SPECIAL FUEL EXCISE TAX ON  
26 LIQUEFIED PETROLEUM GAS, AND, IN CONNECTION  
27 THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
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29 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:14 pm.  
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- 32 HB 15-1350: CONCERNING PERFORMANCE MEASURES FOR  
33 ACCREDITING AN ALTERNATIVE EDUCATION  
34 CAMPUS.  
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36 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:14 pm.  
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- 39 HB 15-1392: CONCERNING CHANGES TO THE STATE'S PAYROLL  
40 SYSTEM TO ALLOW ALL STATE EMPLOYEES TO BE  
41 PAID TWICE A MONTH.  
42  
43 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:15 pm.  
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- 46 HB 15-1352: CONCERNING MODIFICATIONS TO THE  
47 NATUROPATHIC FORMULARY OF MEDICATIONS  
48 THAT A REGISTERED NATUROPATHIC DOCTOR IS  
49 AUTHORIZED TO USE IN THE PRACTICE OF  
50 NATUROPATHIC MEDICINE.  
51  
52 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:15 pm.  
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- 54 HB 15-1353: CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE  
55 REGULATION OF CONVEYANCES, AND, IN  
56 CONNECTION THEREWITH, EXTENDING THE

- 1 CERTIFICATION OF CONVEYANCES AND  
2 CONVEYANCE MECHANICS, CONTRACTORS, AND  
3 INSPECTORS OF ELEVATORS AND ESCALATORS  
4 UNTIL JULY 1, 2022.  
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6 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:15 pm.  
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- 8 HB 15-1360: CONCERNING THE USE OF INJECTION THERAPY BY  
9 ACUPUNCTURISTS LICENSED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE  
10 29.5 OF TITLE 12, COLORADO REVISED STATUTES.  
11  
12 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:15 pm.  
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- 15 HB 15-1083: CONCERNING PATIENT FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS  
16 FOR PHYSICAL REHABILITATION SERVICES, AND, IN  
17 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
18 APPROPRIATION.  
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20 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:16 pm.  
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- 23 HB 15-1261: CONCERNING THE MAXIMUM RESERVE FOR A CASH  
24 FUND WITH FEE REVENUE.  
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- 28 HB 15-1273: CONCERNING ADDITIONAL COMPREHENSIVE  
29 REPORTING REQUIREMENTS FOR SCHOOL  
30 DISCIPLINE REPORTS, AND, IN CONNECTION  
31 THEREWITH, REQUIRING A POST-ENACTMENT  
32 REVIEW OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THIS ACT AND  
33 MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.  
34  
35 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:16 pm.  
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- 37 HB 15-1370: CONCERNING ACCESS TO CERTAIN RECORDS OF A  
38 COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN OR SOCIAL  
39 SERVICES CONTAINING PERSONAL IDENTIFYING  
40 INFORMATION BY AN AUDITOR CONDUCTING A  
41 FINANCIAL OR PERFORMANCE AUDIT OF THAT  
42 DEPARTMENT.  
43  
44 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:16 pm.  
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- 46 HB 15-1282: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF CRIMES INVOLVING  
47 DECEPTION ABOUT MATERIAL INFORMATION IN  
48 CONNECTION WITH THE PREPARATION OF BIRTH  
49 CERTIFICATES.  
50  
51 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:17 pm.  
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- 53 HB 15-1309: CONCERNING THE PLACEMENT OF INTERIM  
54 THERAPEUTIC RESTORATIONS BY DENTAL  
55 HYGIENISTS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,  
56 ENSURING MEDICAID AND CHILDREN'S BASIC

1 HEALTH PLAN REIMBURSEMENT FOR SERVICES  
2 PROVIDED THROUGH THE USE OF TELEHEALTH  
3 RELATED TO INTERIM THERAPEUTIC RESTORATION  
4 PROCEDURES AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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6 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:17 pm.

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8 HB 15-1333: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF A REGIONAL  
9 CENTER DEPRECIATION ACCOUNT IN THE CAPITAL  
10 CONSTRUCTION FUND FOR MAINTENANCE OF THE  
11 STATE'S REGIONAL CENTERS, AND, IN CONNECTION  
12 THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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14 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:17 pm.

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17 HB 15-1337: CONCERNING PLACEMENT STABILITY FOR  
18 CHILDREN.

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22 HB 15-1340: CONCERNING AN EXTENSION OF THE PERIOD  
23 DURING WHICH THE VOLUNTARY CONTRIBUTION  
24 DESIGNATION BENEFITING THE COLORADO  
25 MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS FUND WILL APPEAR ON THE  
26 STATE INDIVIDUAL INCOME TAX RETURN FORM.

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28 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:17 pm.

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30 HB 15-1345: CONCERNING AN EXEMPTION FROM CERTAIN  
31 TRAFFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR THE RIDERS OF A  
32 THREE-WHEEL LOW-SPEED MOTORCYCLE.

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34 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:18 pm.

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36 HB 15-1366: CONCERNING THE EXPANSION OF THE COLORADO  
37 JOB GROWTH INCENTIVE TAX CREDIT TO ALLOW  
38 CREDITS FOR BUSINESSES THAT ENTER INTO A  
39 QUALIFIED PARTNERSHIP WITH A STATE  
40 INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, AND, IN  
41 CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN  
42 APPROPRIATION.

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44 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:18 pm.

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46 HB 15-1387: CONCERNING THE ELIMINATION OF THE  
47 AUTHORIZED TRANSFER OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA  
48 TO RETAIL MARIJUANA AT THE TIME THAT A RETAIL  
49 MARIJUANA ESTABLISHMENT LICENSE BECOMES  
50 EFFECTIVE.

51  
52 Approved June 5, 2015 at 1:18 pm.

53 Sincerely,  
54 (Signed)  
55 John W. Hickenlooper  
56 Governor

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1 June 5, 2015

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3 The Honorable Colorado House of Representatives

4 State Capitol

5 200 E. Colfax Ave.

6 Denver, CO 80203

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8 Dear Members of the Colorado House of Representatives:

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10 Today, we are filing with the Secretary of State House Bill 15-1316,  
11 "Concerning a Simplification of the Process by which the Public Utilities  
12 Commission may Issue a Certificate to Provide Taxicab Service in Certain  
13 Metropolitan Counties" at 5:00p.m.

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15 I will neither sign nor veto HB 15-1316. Therefore, this bill will  
16 become law at 12:01 a.m. on June 6, 2015. This letter sets forth my reasons for  
17 allowing HB 15-1316 to become law without my signature.

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19 Last year, Senate Bill 14-125 was approved opening the transportation  
20 market to companies such as Uber and Lyft. One year later, we have seen  
21 robust competition that offers consumers new options in a growing market - one  
22 in which consumers are choosing to take many more trips without driving their  
23 own vehicles, even as new companies enter the market. With this new  
24 flexibility in the market, we believe it antiquated to retain market barriers  
25 allowing more companies to compete. If entrepreneurial taxi companies have  
26 proven financial and operational fitness, then it is not the role of government to  
27 stand in their way to compete in this large and competitive market, particularly  
28 if these companies choose to abide by the tighter regulatory structures placed  
29 on taxicab companies. The ultimate judges of market supply should be  
30 Colorado consumers, not a cumbersome, government-imposed standard.

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32 However, this legislation also falls short of the comprehensive review  
33 needed of both existing taxicab regulations and the process of entering the  
34 marketplace. HB 15-1316 highlights that Colorado has a problem - an  
35 inefficient taxicab market. Last year, with the signing of SB 14-125, we  
36 outlined the need for a comprehensive review of taxicab market regulations.  
37 Unfortunately, this bill is not a comprehensive. Rather, it is a piecemeal  
38 approach that, while lowering one barrier to entry, does not address the issue of  
39 regulatory imbalances and government-enforced market inefficiencies.  
40 Furthermore, it disregards the reality that existing market participants have  
41 invested valuable resources and time to navigate the existing regulatory scheme  
42 - thereby creating an imbalance between existing and new market entrants.

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44 Although HB 15-1316 will become law, we encourage the General  
45 Assembly again to take a comprehensive and thorough look at this market,  
46 bringing all stakeholders to the table, to achieve a fairer and more efficient  
47 transportation system. We would gladly consider lowering barriers to market  
48 entry as part of a larger reform package. In fact, we recognize that this is  
49 needed. In reviewing the entire market to ensure that consumer needs are being  
50 met, the legislature should address the following issues. First, public safety  
51 across the entire transportation market should be a top priority. Second, while  
52 this bill is silent on serving members of the disability community, we feel there  
53 are insufficient protections in state law to ensure that these consumers, who  
54 have fewer transportation options, are being adequately served. Finally, we  
55 want to consider the comprehensive set of regulations to ensure we have a fair  
56 and dynamic market for all companies offering transportation options.

1           For these reasons, I am allowing HB 15-1316 to become law without my  
2 signature. We encourage the General Assembly to continue this conversation,  
3 bring in diverse set of stakeholders, and adopt legislation next year which  
4 comprehensively reforms this industry. We stand ready to work with you on a  
5 more comprehensive solution.  
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7 Sincerely,  
8 (Signed)  
9 John W. Hickenlooper  
10 Governor  
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17 Attest:  
18 MARILYN EDDINS,  
19 Chief Clerk  
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Approved:  
DICKY LEE HULLINGHORST,  
Speaker