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Addendum

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

Contains all sections following adjournment *sine die* of the  
First Regular Session, Seventieth General Assembly

SIGNING OF BILLS -- RESOLUTIONS -- MEMORIALS

The President has signed: HB15-1016, 1030, 1102, 1129, 1180, 1181, 1232, 1252, 1270,  
1274 and 1277.

SENATE SERVICES REPORT

Correctly Engrossed: SJR15-028, 030, 031 and 032.  
Correctly Revised: HJR15-1027.  
Correctly Rerevised: HB15-1006, 1043, 1057, 1063, 1083, 1098, 1178, 1226, 1230,  
1247, 1273, 1276, 1281, 1285, 1287, 1301, 1309, 1313, 1316, 1318, 1321, 1323, 1335,  
1340, 1348, 1358, 1360, 1364, 1365, 1366, 1367, 1370, 1371, 1373, 1377, 1379, 1387,  
1390, 1391 and 1392.  
Correctly Enrolled: SB15-011, 014, 184, 185, 196, 202, 204, 213, 264 and 282.

SIGNING OF BILLS -- RESOLUTIONS -- MEMORIALS

The President has signed: SB15-012, 020, 022, 121, 138, 205, 282 and 290; HB15-1006,  
1033, 1170, 1219, 1229, 1313, 1348, 1364 and 1391.

DELIVERY TO THE GOVERNOR

To the Governor for signature on Friday May 8, 2015, at 1:00 p.m.: SB15-012, 020, 022,  
121, 138, 205, 282 and 290.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

May 8, 2015  
  
Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203  
  
Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

SB15-239: CONCERNING THE TRANSFER OF VOCATIONAL REHABILITATION PROGRAMS FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO THE DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved May 8, 2015, at 2:36 p.m.

SB15-137: CONCERNING BUSINESS ENTITIES PERMITTED TO PROVIDE THE PROGRAM OF ALL-INCLUSIVE CARE FOR THE ELDERLY.

Approved May 8, 2015, at 2:37 p.m.

SB15-247: CONCERNING THE AUGMENTATION OF THE SCOPE OF SERVICES OF THE STATE DRUG ASSISTANCE PROGRAM ADMINISTERED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT TO AUTHORIZE FUNDING FOR PREVENTION, INTERVENTION, AND OTHER SERVICES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved May 8, 2015, at 2:38 p.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

**SIGNING OF BILLS -- RESOLUTIONS -- MEMORIALS**

The President has signed: SB15-185, 192, 195, 199, 207 and 253; HB15-1233, 1310 and 1344.

**DELIVERY TO THE GOVERNOR**

To the Governor for signature on Monday, May 11, 2015, at 4:30 p.m.:  
SB15-185, 192, 195, 199, 207 and 253.

**MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR**

May 11, 2015

Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

SB15-100: CONCERNING IMPLEMENTATION OF RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE ON LEGAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH LEGISLATIVE REVIEW OF RULES AND REGULATIONS OF STATE AGENCIES.

Approved May 11, 2015, at 2:13 a.m.

SB15-104: CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE COLORADO DIVISION OF SECURITIES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 2014 SUNSET REPORT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES.

Approved May 11, 2015, at 2:07 p.m.

SB15-110: CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE REGULATION BY THE DIRECTOR OF THE DIVISION OF PROFESSIONS AND OCCUPATIONS OF FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENTS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES AS CONTAINED IN THE 2014 SUNSET REPORT AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved May 11, 2015, at 2:07 p.m.

SB15-211: CONCERNING AN AUTOMATIC FUNDING MECHANISM FOR PAYMENT OF FUTURE COSTS ATTRIBUTABLE TO CERTAIN OF THE STATE'S CAPITAL ASSETS.

Approved May 11, 2015, at 2:07 p.m.

SB15-250: CONCERNING CAPITAL-RELATED TRANSFERS OF MONEYS.

Approved May 11, 2015, at 2:08 p.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

**SIGNING OF BILLS -- RESOLUTIONS -- MEMORIALS**

The President has signed: 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 and 288; SR15-004; HB15-1228, 1249, 1307, 1317, 1318, 1321, 1333, 1352, 1353, 1357, 1358, 1368 and 1377; HJR15-1025 and 1026.

**MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR**

May 12, 2015

Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

SB15-022: CONCERNING THE WILDFIRE RISK REDUCTION GRANT PROGRAM.

Approved May 12, 2015, at 10:18 a.m.

SB15-205: CONCERNING THE UTILIZATION OF VETERANS' FIRE CORPS PROGRAMS BY THE DIVISION OF FIRE PREVENTION AND CONTROL IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY.

Approved May 12, 2015, at 10:19 a.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

May 13, 2015

Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

SB15-138: CONCERNING FUNDING FOR THE ACCELERATING STUDENTS THROUGH CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT PROGRAM.

Approved May 13, 2015, at 12:17 p.m.

SB15-282: CONCERNING THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A RURAL JUMP-START PROGRAM IN HIGHLY DISTRESSED COUNTIES OF THE STATE FOR NEW BUSINESSES THAT BRING NEW JOBS TO THE STATE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved May 13, 2015, at 8:31 a.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

SENATE SERVICES REPORT

Correctly Enrolled: SB15-029, 056, 067, 090, 115, 119, 124, 206, 210, 212, 214, 219, 228, 229, 253, 260, 265, 271, 276, 278, 281, 283, 288 and 290; SJM15-001; SJR15-023, 024, 028, 029, 030 and 032.

SIGNING OF BILLS -- RESOLUTIONS -- MEMORIALS

The President has signed: 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, 1323, 1327, 1335, 1340, 1341, 1343, 1345, 1350, 1355, 1359, 1360, 1365, 1366, 1367, 1370, 1371, 1372, 1373, 1379, 1387, 1390 and 1392.

DELIVERY TO THE GOVERNOR

To the Governor for signature on Thursday, May 14, 2015, at 9:45 a.m.:  
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 and 288.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

SB15-253: CONCERNING THE FUNDING OF COLORADO WATER  
CONSERVATION BOARD PROJECTS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH,  
MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved May 14, 2015, at 3:17 p.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

SIGNING OF BILLS -- RESOLUTIONS -- MEMORIALS

The President has signed: SB15-067, 087, 115, 196, 202, 204, 212, 213, 220, 221, 226,  
254, 256, 260, 261, 262, 264, 267, 270, 271, 276 and 281; SJM15-001; SJR15-023, 024,  
028, 029, 030 and 032.

DELIVERY TO THE GOVERNOR

To the Governor for signature on Monday, May 18, 2015, at 4:00 p.m.:  
SB15-067, 087, 115, 196, 202, 204, 212, 213, 220, 221, 226, 254, 256, 260, 261, 262,  
264, 267, 270, 271, 276 and 281.

MESSAGE FROM THE GOVERNOR

May 18, 2015

Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

SB15-197: CONCERNING THE PRESCRIPTIVE AUTHORITY OF ADVANCED PRACTICE NURSES.

Approved May 18, 2015, at 10:29 a.m.

SB15-014: CONCERNING MARIJUANA ISSUES THAT ARE NOT REGULATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING APPROPRIATIONS.

Approved May 18, 2015, at 11:48 a.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

May 19, 2015

Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

SB15-119: CONCERNING CONTINUATION OF THE REGULATION OF PESTICIDE APPLICATORS BY THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 2014 SUNSET REPORT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES.

Approved May 19, 2015, at 10:04 a.m.

SB15-121: CONCERNING THE ELIGIBILITY FOR FINANCING PROVIDED BY THE COLORADO WATER RESOURCES AND POWER DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF A PUBLIC WATER SYSTEM THAT IS NOT OWNED BY A GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY.

Approved May 19, 2015, at 1:40 p.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

May 20, 2015

Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

SB15-056: CONCERNING REDUCING THE FREQUENCY OF ADMINISTERING THE STATEWIDE ASSESSMENT IN SOCIAL STUDIES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved May 20, 2015, at 8:45 a.m.

SB15-217: CONCERNING DATA COLLECTION RELATED TO PEACE OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS OF A PERSON, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved May 20, 2015, at 4:45 p.m.

SB15-218: CONCERNING REQUIRING A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY TO DISCLOSE WHETHER A PEACE OFFICER HAS MADE A KNOWING MISREPRESENTATION IN CERTAIN SETTINGS.

Approved May 20, 2015, at 4:46 p.m.

SB15-219: CONCERNING MEASURES TO PROVIDE ADDITIONAL TRANSPARENCY TO PEACE OFFICER-INVOLVED SHOOTINGS.

Approved May 20, 2015, at 4:47 p.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

May 22, 2015

Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

SB15-199: CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE FUNDING FOR THE HABITAT PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM IN THE DIVISION OF PARKS AND WILDLIFE.

Approved May 22, 2015, at 1:35 p.m.

SB15-226: CONCERNING THE EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS NECESSARY TO QUALIFY FOR A LICENSE TO TAKE WILDLIFE.

Approved May 22, 2015, at 1:34 p.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

May 29, 2015

Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

SB15-004: CONCERNING TRAINED VOLUNTEER COURT-APPOINTED  
SPECIAL ADVOCATES FOR YOUTH BROUGHT BEFORE A COURT IN A  
TRUANCY PROCEEDING.

Approved May 29, 2015, at 2:51 p.m.

SB15-102: CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE SECURITIES BOARD,  
AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, IMPLEMENTING THE  
RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 2014 SUNSET REPORT BY THE DEPARTMENT  
OF REGULATORY AGENCIES.

Approved May 29, 2015, at 2:49 p.m.

SB15-124: CONCERNING THE USE OF EVIDENCE-BASED PRACTICES IN  
RESPONSE TO TECHNICAL VIOLATIONS OF PAROLE, AND, IN CONNECTION  
THEREWITH, MAKING AND REDUCING APPROPRIATIONS.

Approved May 29, 2015, at 2:50 p.m.

SB15-185: CONCERNING PROVISIONS TO IMPROVE POLICE OPERATIONS,  
AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved May 29, 2015, at 2:50 p.m.

SB15-207: CONCERNING THE AUTHORITY OF THE STATE TO ENTER INTO  
LEASE-PURCHASE AGREEMENTS FOR THE REFINANCING OF THE  
COLORADO BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION'S GRAND JUNCTION REGIONAL  
OFFICE AND FORENSIC LABORATORY.

Approved May 29, 2015, at 2:50 p.m.

SB15-208: CONCERNING CAPITAL-RELATED EXPENDITURES, AND, IN  
CONNECTION THEREWITH, GRANTING THE CONTROLLER AUTHORITY TO  
ALLOW EXPENDITURES FOR CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION BUDGET  
APPROPRIATIONS IF NONMONETARY ADJUSTMENTS ARE NEEDED WHEN  
THE LEGISLATURE IS NOT IN SESSION, ADDING A CAPITAL DEVELOPMENT  
COMMITTEE-APPROVED WAIVER FOR THE ARTS IN PUBLIC PLACES  
REQUIREMENT, AND CLARIFYING THE TYPES OF CAPITAL CONSTRUCTION  
PROJECTS TO WHICH THE ARTS IN PUBLIC PLACES REQUIREMENT APPLIES.

Approved May 29, 2015, at 2:51 p.m.

SB15-212: CONCERNING A DETERMINATION THAT WATER DETENTION  
FACILITIES DESIGNED TO MITIGATE THE ADVERSE EFFECTS OF STORM  
WATER RUNOFF DO NOT MATERIALLY INJURE WATER RIGHTS.

Approved May 29, 2015, at 2:51 p.m.

SB15-254: CONCERNING AN EXTENSION OF THE PERIOD DURING WHICH  
CERTAIN INCENTIVES ARE AVAILABLE FOR MUNICIPALLY OWNED  
UTILITIES TO OBTAIN ADDITIONAL RENEWABLE ENERGY CREDITS BASED  
ON THE INSTALLATION OF SOLAR ELECTRIC GENERATION  
TECHNOLOGIES.

Approved May 29, 2015, at 2:52 p.m.

SB15-260: CONCERNING MEDICAL MARIJUANA PRODUCT TESTING.

Approved May 29, 2015, at 2:52 p.m.

SB15-264: CONCERNING THE NONSUBSTANTIVE REVISION OF STATUTES IN THE COLORADO REVISED STATUTES, AS AMENDED, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AMENDING OR REPEALING OBSOLETE, IMPERFECT, AND INOPERATIVE LAW TO PRESERVE THE LEGISLATIVE INTENT, EFFECT, AND MEANING OF THE LAW.

Approved May 29, 2015, at 2:52 p.m.

SB15-265: CONCERNING CONDITIONS THAT MUST BE MET BEFORE A HOSPITAL CARE LIEN IS CREATED.

Approved May 29, 2015, at 2:52 p.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

June 2, 2015

Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

SB15-204: CONCERNING THE INDEPENDENT FUNCTIONING OF THE OFFICE OF THE CHILD PROTECTION OMBUDSMAN, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AND REDUCING APPROPRIATIONS.

Approved June 2, 2015, at 2:26 p.m.

SB15-087: CONCERNING THE SAFE PLACEMENT OF CHILDREN IN FOSTER CARE HOMES.

Approved June 2, 2015, at 2:25 p.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

June 3, 2015

Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

SB15-213: CONCERNING THE LIMITED WAIVER OF GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY FOR CLAIMS INVOLVING PUBLIC SCHOOLS FOR INJURIES RESULTING FROM INCIDENTS OF SCHOOL VIOLENCE.

Approved June 3, 2015, at 2:52 p.m.

SB15-214: CONCERNING CREATING A LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON SAFETY IN SCHOOLS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved June 3, 2015, at 2:53 p.m.

SB15-221: CONCERNING PUBLIC TRANSIT OFFICERS.

Approved June 3, 2015, at 3:03 p.m.

SB15-288: CONCERNING THE COMPENSATION PAID TO CERTAIN PUBLIC OFFICIALS.

Approved June 3, 2015, at 3:28 p.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

June 3, 2015

The Honorable Colorado Senate  
State Capitol  
200 E. Colfax Ave.  
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Members of the Colorado Senate:

Today, I vetoed Senate Bill 15-276, "Concerning the Elimination of the Use of Automated Vehicle Identification Systems for Traffic Law Enforcement," at 3:12 p.m.

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

We certainly acknowledge that photo-radar and red-light cameras are not without criticism, and understand the public's need for assurances that they be used responsibly. As we wrote in our April 30, 2015, message to the General Assembly, photo-radar and red-light cameras should be used only in a manner that instills trust in government and confidence that public safety is paramount. For that reason, photo-enforcement should be restricted to certain high-risk areas, and citation revenue should be limited to traffic safety purposes and not simply as a revenue generator to backfill general government operations. Unfortunately, SB 15-276 does neither. It instead issues a one-size-fits-all ban. A blanket prohibition is the wrong answer. It limits local governments' ability to choose for themselves. It mistakenly presumes that one community's needs are the same as another's. And, most concerning, it bars the use of a tool that, when used responsibly, can save lives and make streets safer.

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

When the General Assembly first authorized the use of photo-radar and red-light cameras, it had the wisdom to allow local governments to decide. Local town boards and city councils, not the State, know their communities' needs best. SB 15-276 should not impose the State's will upon all communities. Cities and towns decide for themselves

whether to use these tools, just as it should be. While the State should not dictate to all communities whether these tools should be used, it may and should provide guard-rails to ensure their use is measured and limited. Past legislatures have done this well, establishing a number of sound limitations. For example, visibly large signs must clearly mark camera locations, and a law enforcement officer or employee must be physically present when photo-radar is in use. Furthermore, for persons who receive a citation: fines are capped at \$75 and \$40, respectively; penalty assessment points cannot be applied against the violator's driver's license; and the violator's vehicle cannot be booted or immobilized. These are important limitations that the Legislature should build upon.

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

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

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

June 4, 2015

Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

**SB15-206: CONCERNING PHASED CONSERVATION EASEMENT DONATIONS FOR CONSERVATION EASEMENTS DONATED ON OR AFTER JANUARY 1, 2015, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, LOWERING TRANSACTION COSTS FOR AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS, FACILITATING ENDANGERED SPECIES MITIGATION, AND MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.**

Approved June 4, 2015, at 9:37 a.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

June 5, 2015

Colorado Senate  
Seventieth General Assembly  
State Capitol  
Denver, CO 80203

Ladies and Gentlemen:

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

SB15-011: CONCERNING THE PILOT PROGRAM FOR PERSONS WITH SPINAL CORD INJURIES RELATING TO THE USE OF COMPLEMENTARY AND ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 3:05 p.m.

SB15-090: CONCERNING THE ADOPTION OF STANDARDS GOVERNING TEMPORARY PERMITS ON MOTOR VEHICLES FOR EFFECTIVE READABILITY, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 3:11 p.m.

SB15-020: CONCERNING EDUCATION REGARDING THE PREVENTION OF CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE AND ASSAULT, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 1:04 p.m.

SB15-109: CONCERNING THE MANDATORY REPORTING OF MISTREATMENT AGAINST AN ADULT WITH A DISABILITY.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 1:04 p.m.

SB15-195: CONCERNING APPROPRIATING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS MONEYS GENERATED AS SAVINGS FROM THE AWARDING OF ACHIEVEMENT EARNED TIME TO INMATES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AND REDUCING APPROPRIATIONS.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 1:04 p.m.

SB15-196: CONCERNING MEASURES TO ENSURE INDUSTRIAL HEMP REMAINS BELOW A DELTA-9 TETRAHYDROCANNABINOL CONCENTRATION OF NO MORE THAN THREE-TENTHS OF ONE PERCENT ON A DRY WEIGHT BASIS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 1:04 p.m.

SB15-220: CONCERNING SECURITY FOR THE COLORADO GENERAL ASSEMBLY.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 1:04 p.m.

SB15-256: CONCERNING THE OPERATION OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE THAT OVERSEES THE COLORADO HEALTH BENEFIT EXCHANGE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 1:05 p.m.

SB15-115: CONCERNING THE SUNSET REVIEW OF THE MEDICAL MARIJUANA PROGRAMS.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 1:05 p.m.

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SB15-012: CONCERNING THE TREATMENT OF CHILD SUPPORT FOR PURPOSES OF THE COLORADO WORKS PROGRAM, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 1:05 p.m.

SB15-029: CONCERNING A STUDY OF VOLUNTEER FIREFIGHTER PENSION PLANS IN THE STATE, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 1:06 p.m.

SB15-184: CONCERNING ENFORCEMENT OF COMPULSORY EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 1:06 p.m.

SB15-203: CONCERNING CONTINUATION OF THE REGULATION OF DEBT-MANAGEMENT SERVICE PROVIDERS BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, IMPLEMENTING THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE 2014 SUNSET REPORT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF REGULATORY AGENCIES.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 1:06 p.m.

SB15-228: CONCERNING A PROCESS FOR THE PERIODIC REVIEW OF PROVIDER RATES UNDER THE "COLORADO MEDICAL ASSISTANCE ACT", AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 1:06 p.m.

SB15-261: CONCERNING A MODIFICATION TO THE STATUTE THAT SPECIFIES THE FORMS OF PUBLIC NOTICE THAT A PUBLIC UTILITY MAY PROVIDE REGARDING A CHANGE IN THE PUBLIC UTILITY'S SCHEDULE OF CHARGES TO ALLOW A REQUEST FOR AN ALTERNATIVE FORM OF NOTICE WITHIN THE SAME FORMAL APPLICATION THAT THE PUBLIC UTILITY FILES WITH THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION WHEN APPLYING FOR A CHANGE IN THE PUBLIC UTILITY'S SCHEDULE OF CHARGES.

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SB15-192: CONCERNING THE PROVISION OF A THERAPEUTIC ALTERNATE DRUG SELECTION TO PATIENTS RESIDING IN CERTAIN LONG-TERM CARE FACILITIES.

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SB15-209: CONCERNING AN AMENDMENT TO SPECIFIED STATUTES GOVERNING THE MANAGEMENT OF THE FINANCIAL AFFAIRS OF A UNIT OWNERS' ASSOCIATION UNDER THE "COLORADO COMMON INTEREST OWNERSHIP ACT" SO AS TO EXEMPT COMMUNITIES IN WHICH A MAJORITY OF UNITS DESIGNATED FOR RESIDENTIAL USE ARE TIME SHARE UNITS.

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SB15-210: CONCERNING CREATION OF THE TITLE INSURANCE COMMISSION, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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SB15-229: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF AN AMYOTROPHIC LATERAL SCLEROSIS LICENSE PLATE FOR MOTOR VEHICLES, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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SB15-262: CONCERNING UPDATES TO THE STATUTES REGULATING  
BLANKET SICKNESS AND ACCIDENT INSURANCE.

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SB15-267: CONCERNING THE FINANCING OF PUBLIC SCHOOLS, AND, IN  
CONNECTION THEREWITH, MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

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SB15-270: CONCERNING THE CREATION OF THE OFFICE OF THE STATE  
ARCHITECT, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, ADDING STATEWIDE  
PLANNING RESPONSIBILITIES AND MAKING AND REDUCING AN  
APPROPRIATION.

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SB15-271: CONCERNING THE CONTINUATION OF THE ENTITIES CHARGED  
WITH REPRESENTING THE INTERESTS OF CERTAIN UTILITY CONSUMERS IN  
MATTERS HEARD BY THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION.

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SB15-278: CONCERNING AN AMENDMENT TO THE ANNUAL GENERAL  
APPROPRIATION ACT FOR THE 2013-14 FISCAL YEAR TO ALLOW UNSPENT  
MONEYS APPROPRIATED FOR THE COLORADO STATE CAPITOL DOME  
RESTORATION PROJECT TO BE USED FOR THE NEXT PLANNED PHASE OF  
THE COLORADO STATE CAPITOL RESTORATION.

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SB15-281: CONCERNING PARENT ENGAGEMENT IN INSTITUTE CHARTER  
SCHOOLS.

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SB15-283: CONCERNING DEBT COLLECTION PROCEEDINGS, AND, IN  
CONNECTION THEREWITH, INCREASING THE SCOPE AND VALUE OF  
ASSETS THAT MAY BE EXEMPTED, CLARIFYING DEFINITIONS OF  
"EARNINGS", AND SPECIFYING THE PROCEDURE FOR SERVICE OF NOTICE  
OF EXEMPTION AND PENDING LEVY IN CERTAIN GARNISHMENT  
PROCEEDINGS.

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SB15-202: CONCERNING THE REGULATION OF WATER CONDITIONING  
APPLIANCES PURSUANT TO THE PLUMBING CODE.

Approved June 5, 2015, at 1:10 p.m.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

June 5, 2015

The Honorable Colorado Senate  
State Capitol  
200 E. Colfax Ave.  
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Members of the Colorado Senate:

This is to inform you that I will neither sign nor veto Senate Bill 15-067, "Concerning an Increase in the Class of Offense for Certain Acts of Assault Against Persons Engaged in Performing Their Duties as Emergency Responders." Therefore, this bill will become law at 12:01 a.m. on September 1, 2015. This letter sets forth my reasons for allowing this bill to become law without my signature.

Every day, first responders like peace officers, firefighters, and EMS personnel put their health, well-being, and lives on the line in service of others, and we recognize that emergency medical care providers put their own safety at risk in the same way. The law should reflect that. We applaud the policy that underlies this bill, which is why we are permitting it to pass into law. However, we note the implementation delay that pushes the financial burden off by one year, avoiding the budget restrictions for FY 2015-16.

The State's upcoming budget challenges have been long discussed, and though the underlying policy is the correct one, the bill does require potentially significant growth in spending. It will constrain our ability to fund other priorities, and effectively these are some of the first dollars spent for FY 2016-17.

For these reasons I am allowing Senate Bill 15-067 to become law without my signature. We hope to work with General Assembly next year on agreements that avoid delaying significant costs for the purposes of passage outside of the normal budget framework.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor

June 5, 2015

The Honorable Colorado Senate  
State Capitol  
200 E. Colfax Ave.  
Denver, CO 80203

Dear Members of the Colorado Senate:

We are filing today with the Secretary of State Senate Bill 15-290, "Concerning Creation of the Colorado Student Leaders Institute, And, In Connection Therewith, Making an Appropriation."

I will neither sign nor veto Senate Bill 15-290. Therefore, this bill will become law at 12:01 a.m. on June 6, 2015. This letter sets forth my reasons for allowing this bill to come law without my signature.

While Colorado is among the best educated states in the nation, we are increasingly aware that too many of the students who come through our K-12 education system are failing to continue beyond their high school education and into our post-secondary institutions. To close this attainment gap, our State must continue its investment in a broad spectrum of programs that help students successfully chart and complete a pathway to a degree or credential. SB 15-290 adds a new program to Colorado's existing student-success infrastructure by creating a summer residential pre-collegiate experience for qualified students from around our State.

As we invest in programs that help students succeed beyond high school, we must also be careful stewards of the limited dollars available for education spending. The State's upcoming budget challenges have been long discussed and we must be particularly watchful over our spending from the diminishing State Education Fund balance. Because SB 15-290 funds the Colorado Student Leaders Institute from this precious and struggling resource, I am reluctant to embrace the funding source for this program. Meanwhile, as we struggle to manage the conflicting spending and revenue conflicts in our state constitution, it is imperative that we do not create new programs when existing programs could achieve the same or better results.

SB 15-290 sets forth a number of legally required administrative steps that can not be completed for implementation of this program by summer 2015. In order to meet the accountability requirements in our state procurement code, and ensure the best possible program, the soonest possible start date for the Colorado Leaders Institute will be in the summer of 2016. Therefore, we are unable to and will not spend the \$218,825 that the bill appropriates for FY 2015-16.

For these reasons, I am allowing SB 15-290 to become law without my signature. Our administration looks forward to ensuring that the Colorado Student Leaders Institute becomes a program that follows known best practices and has an indelibly positive impact on Colorado students. We also look forward to identifying a more sustainable funding stream for this program in the future, while still preserving the health of the State Education Fund.

Sincerely,  
(signed)  
John W. Hickenlooper  
Governor