AAUW Colorado 2025 Legislative Session Recap

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AAUW Colorado 2025 Legislative Priorities

- **Education**
 - Early Childhood Education
 - Teacher Shortage
 - Compliance with Civil Rights Laws
 - Career Readiness
 - Title IX Protections
- Violence Against Women
- > Reproductive Health

- > Behavioral Health
- Equal Pay/Anti-ageism
- Retirement Security
- **>** Gun Safety
- > Human Trafficking



AAUW Colorado 2025 Priority Bills

Active Support—40 Bills

- ➤ 26 passed and were signed by the Governor
- ▶2 passed and were vetoed by the Governor
- > 12 were Pl'd (killed), Failed or Lost
- **≻Active Opposition—7 Bills**
- ≽All were Pl'd



2025 Education Bills

Governor Signed

- HB1038-- Postsecondary Credit Transfer Website
- HB1149 Comprehensive Black History & Culture Education in K-12
- HB1274 Healthy School Meals for All Program
- HB1278 Education Accountability System

Pl'd, Failed or Lost

- HJR1023 Require General Assembly TABOR Constitutionality Lawsuit
- SB123 Education Curriculum on Genocide Against Native Americans

2025 Economic Empowerment Bills

Governor Signed

- HB1001 Enforcement Wage Hour Laws
- HB1090 Protections Against Deceptive Pricing Practices
- HB1130 Labor Requirements for Government Construction Projects
- HB1321 Support Against Adverse Federal Action
- HB1328 Implement Recommendations Direct Care Worker Stabilization Board
- SB282 Protections for Veterans Seeking Disability Benefits
- SB299 Consumer Protection Residential Energy Systems



2025 Economic Empowerment Bills (cont.)

Governor Vetoed

SB005 - Worker Protection Collective Bargaining

Pl'd, Failed or Lost

- HB1020 Earned-Wage Access Service Provider
- HB1052 Income Tax Credit for PERA Retirees
- HB1111 Expand Homestead Exemptions
- HB1194 Protections for Victims of Economic Abuse
- SB013 Senior Housing Income Tax Credit Extension
- SB134 Uniform Guardianship & Conservatorship Act
- SB157 Deceptive Trade Practice Significant Impact Standard



2025 Healthcare Bills

SUPPORTED

Governor Signed

- HB1300 Workers' Compensation Benefits Proof of Entitlement
- HB1184 Community-Based Continuing Care for Seniors
- SB296 Insurance Coverage for Breast Cancer Examinations

OPPOSED

Pl'd, Failed or Lost

- HB1068 Malpractice Insurers Gender-Affirming Care Minors
- HB1145 Trafficking Minor for Abortion or Transgender Care
- HB1253 Youth Health Protection Act



2025 Reproductive Health Bills

SUPPORTED

Governor Signed

- SB129 Legally Protected Health-Care Activity Protections
- SB130 Providing Emergency Medical Services
- SB183 Coverage for Pregnancy-Related Services

OPPOSED

Pl'd

HB1252 – CDPHE Regulation of Abortion Clinics

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2025 Gun Safety Bills

SUPPORTED

Governor Signed

- HB1250 Gun Violence Prevention & Parents of Students
- SB003 Semiautomatic Firearms & Rapid-Fire Devices
- SB034 Voluntary Do-Not-Sell Firearms Waiver

Pl'd, Failed or Lost

HB1128 - Income Tax Credit for Firearm Safety Device

OPPOSED

Pl'd, Failed or Lost

HB1164 - Constitutional Carry of Handgun



2025 Violence Against Women Bills

Governor Signed

- HB1098 Automated Protection Order Victim Notification System
- HB1168 Housing Protections for Victim-Survivors
- SB304 Measures to Address Sexual Assault Kit Backlog

Governor Vetoed

- HB1291 Transportation Network Company Consumer Protection
 Pl'd, Failed or Lost
- HB1028 Modifications to Address Confidentiality Program
- SCR002 Child Sexual Abuse Accountability Amendment

2025 DEI BIIIS SUPPORTED

Governor Signed

- HB1309 Protect Access to Gender-Affirming Health Care
- HB1312 Legal Protections for Transgender Individuals
- SB001 Colorado Voting Rights Act
- SB009 Recognition of Tribal Court Orders
- SB014 Protecting the Freedom to Marry

Pl'd

HB1266 - Colorado American Indian Recognition Day

OPPOSED

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SB047 - Enforcement of Federal Immigration Law



Coalitions AAUW Joined

- **≻**Hunger Free Colorado
- **≻**Great Ed Colorado
- **➤ Women's Foundation of Colorado**
- **≻Women's Lobby**
- **≻CSLC-Colorado Social Legislation Committee**
- **≻**League of Women Voters



2025 Ballot Measures Preview

Referred by Legislature

➤ Amendments M & N:
Free School Meals for All

Initiatives Approved for Circulation

- ➤ Initiative #39: Labor Organization Affiliation and Dues
- ➤ Initiative # 43: Just Cause for Discharge or Suspension of Employees Required

Recommended Position

SUPPORT

OPPOSE

SUPPORT



2025 Ballot Measures Preview (cont)

Title Set

- ➤ Initiative #22—School Choice
- ➤ Initiative #59&60-Penalties for Child Sexual Assault
- ➤ Initiative #66 Mail Ballot Signature Verification
- ➤ Initiative #69—Human Trafficking of a Minor

Recommended Position

- OPPOSE
- OPPOSE

OPPOSE

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2025 Ballot Measures Preview (cont)

Title Set

➤ Initiative #71—Prohibit
Certain Surgeries on Minors

Awaiting Re-hearing

➤ Initiative #70: Male and Female Participation in School Sports

Recommended Position

OPPOSE

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sten Find a Bill

Explore the Budget

How to Find Your Legislators









Find My Legislator

This application allows you to find your state Senator and Representative in the Colorado State Legislature. To use the search, enter your address information in the search bar located on the left side of the screen and click the search button. You may also click anywhere on the map to bring up legislative member information for that area.

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Search Options:

- Street Address.
- Representative by District Number or Last Name.
- Senator by District Number or Last Name.



How to Find a Bill









Bills, Resolutions, & Memorials

MOST ACCESSED BILLS

SB20-205

Sick Leave For Employees

Explore the Budget

SB19-085

Equal Pay For Equal Work Act

SB20-217

Enhance Law Enforcement Integrity



How to Watch and Listen









Watch & Listen

Live Legislative Video

Watch Live Video via The Colorado Channel's Site



Live Legislative Audio

Colorado House of Representatives



Colorado Senate



Useful Tools Leg.Colorado.Gov

Daily Calendar

- > 2nd and 3rd reading of bills
- Committee hearings--open for public testimony.
- Floor debate--open to legislators only.

Daily Journal

- ➤ Official "minutes" of proceedings on a daily basis
- ➤ Includes Committee votes and Floor votes on bills

Status Sheet

Lists all bills introduced and their current status in the legislative process.



Other Resources Leg.Colorado.Gov

- > Budget
- **>**Committees
- Colorado Revised
 - **Statutes**

- **≻**Agencies
- **>**Audits
- **>**Publications



Engage with your Legislators!

- >Attend townhalls
- ➤Introduce yourself and AAUW
- ➤Offer to testify on bills in your area of expertise

- ➤ Call, email and visit the Capitol
- ➤ Visit campaign websites
- ➤ Volunteer in a Capitol office or on a campaign



AAUW Call to Action!

- >2-Minute Activist
- >Colorado Alerts
- >Advocacy Day at the Capitol
 - Women's Foundation of Colorado
 - House or Senate Floor Session
 - House or Senate Committee Hearing
 - Meet your Senator and Representative
 - >aauw-co.aauw.net

