



**TRANSPORTATION and TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

**Thursday January 26, 2017**

**2 p.m.**

**CCI Office**

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Teleconference: 1.857.216.6700 Passcode: 171009

**AGENDA**

**WELCOME**

Commissioner Sean Conway, Chair  
 Commissioner Norm Steen, Vice Chair  
 Eric Bergman

**INTRODUCTIONS**

**LEGISLATION**

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| <b>Bill #</b>   | <a href="#"><b>HB17-1018</b></a>   |
| <b>Title</b>    | <b>Extend Voter Approval Window for Regional Transportation Authority (RTA) Mill Levy</b>  |
| <b>H-Spon</b>   | D. Mitsch Bush, L. Liston  |
| <b>S-Spon</b>   | B. Gardner   |
| <b>Summary</b>  | Current law authorizes a regional transportation authority to seek voter approval for a uniform mill levy of up to 5 mills on all taxable property within its territory, but the authorization is scheduled to repeal on January 1, 2019. The bill extends the authorization until January 1, 2029.  |
| <b>Position</b> |  |
| <b>Bill #</b>   | <a href="#"><b>HB17-1031</b></a>   |
| <b>Title</b>    | <b>Hearings on Transportation Commission Districts</b>   |
| <b>H-Spon</b>   | D. Mitsch Bush, T. Carver  |
| <b>S-Spon</b>   | J. Cooke, N. Todd  |
| <b>Summary</b>  | <b>Transportation Legislation Review Committee.</b> The bill requires the transportation legislation review committee to meet five times before November 15, 2017, once in each geographic quadrant of the state and once in the Denver metropolitan area, to: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Make available to meeting attendees the 2016 research study of changes to the state transportation commission districts (districts) since the boundaries of the districts were last redrawn in 1991, prepared by legislative council staff with the cooperation of the department</li> </ul> |

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|                 | <p>of transportation as required by House Bill 16-1031; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offer opportunities to members of the public to express their opinions regarding the districts or the research study and offer comments and suggestions regarding whether the districts should be modified. The committee may consider the availability of remote testimony, and a public hearing conducted by remote testimony for the purpose of obtaining testimony from a single geographic quadrant of the state or from the Denver metropolitan area may count toward the requirements of the bill.</li> </ul>  |
| <b>Position</b> |  |
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| <b>Bill #</b>   | <a href="#">HB17-1061</a>  |
| <b>Title</b>    | <b>Modify Definition of Commercial Vehicle</b>   |
| <b>H-Spon</b>   | J. Becker, J. Melton   |
| <b>S-Spon</b>   | R. Scott, N. Todd  |
| <b>Summary</b>  | <p><b>Transportation Legislation Review Committee.</b> The bill increases the minimum weight for classification as a commercial vehicle subject to the statutory and regulatory standards for commercial vehicles from 10,001 pounds to 16,001 pounds unless the vehicle is registered for use in interstate commerce. With respect to vehicles that would be classified as commercial vehicles but for the fact that they weigh between 10,001 and 16,000 pounds, the chief of the Colorado state patrol is authorized to adopt rules that authorize the Colorado state patrol to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Annually inspect these vehicles;</li> <li>• Enforce with respect to these vehicles all requirements for the securing of loads that apply to commercial vehicles; and</li> <li>• Enforce with respect to these vehicles all requirements relating to the use of coupling devices for commercial vehicles.</li> </ul> |
| <b>Position</b> |  |
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| <b>Bill #</b>   | <a href="#">SB17-011</a>   |
| <b>Title</b>    | <b>Study Transportation Access for People with Disabilities (El Paso and Teller)</b>   |
| <b>H-Spon</b>   | P. Lawrence  |
| <b>S-Spon</b>   | K. Lambert   |
| <b>Summary</b>  | <p>The bill creates a technical demonstration forum consisting of seven members to study and document how advanced technologies can improve transportation access for people with disabilities. The forum consists of the following agency officers or their designees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The executive director of the department of labor and employment, who serves as chair of the forum;</li> <li>• The executive director of the department of health care policy and financing, who serves as vice-chair of the forum;</li> <li>• The director of the public utilities commission;</li> <li>• The chief information officer of the office of information technology;</li> <li>• The executive director of the department of human services;</li> <li>• The director of the division of veterans affairs; and</li> </ul>  |

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|                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The superintendent of the Colorado School for the Deaf and Blind.</li> </ul> <p>To demonstrate the transportation access needs of people with disabilities in both urban and rural areas of the state, the forum is directed to study the transportation access needs of people with disabilities in El Paso and Teller counties and explore technological and transportation business solutions that could increase transportation access for people with disabilities in those areas. The forum may recommend that the executive director of the department of labor and employment enter into a contract with a technology developer or transportation business to conduct one or more pilot projects in El Paso County, Teller County, or both counties to demonstrate the efficacy of a certain technology or transportation business product to improve transportation access for people with disabilities. On or before December 31, 2017, the forum is required to publish a report of its research and findings, including the results of any pilot projects and any legislative recommendations developed, and to furnish copies of the report to the governor, members of the general assembly's majority and minority leadership, and the members of the joint budget committee. The forum and its responsibilities are repealed, effective July 1, 2018.</p> |
| <b>Position</b> |  |
| <b>Bill #</b>   | <a href="#">SB17-042</a>   |
| <b>Title</b>    | <b>Repeal Local Government Internet Service Voter Approval</b>   |
| <b>H-Spon</b>   | K. Donovan, L. Guzman  |
| <b>S-Spon</b>   |  |
| <b>Summary</b>  | Cities, counties, special districts, and other local governments (local government) are currently prohibited, with certain limited exceptions, from providing cable television, telecommunications service, or high-speed internet access without first seeking voter approval. A local government that does provide any of these services is further required to comply with all state and federal laws and regulations governing the service and prohibited from granting certain preferences or discriminating in connection with providing the service. The bill repeals these restrictions on the provision of cable television, telecommunications service, or high-speed internet access by a local government.   |
| <b>Position</b> | Support - CCI Legislative Priority   |
| <b>Bill #</b>   | <a href="#">SB17-081</a>   |
| <b>Title</b>    | <b>Rural Broadband Deployment</b>  |
| <b>H-Spon</b>   | K. Becker, J. Arndt  |
| <b>S-Spon</b>   | K. Donovan   |
| <b>Summary</b>  | The bill updates the definition of a broadband network for purposes of telecommunications regulation and deregulation. It also updates how the Public Utilities Commission (PUC) makes an effective competition determination for high cost support mechanism (HCSM) funding, which is financial assistance provided to telecommunications companies that provide basic telephone service or broadband service in areas that lack effective competition. Finally, the bill establishes that HCSM funding cannot be used to support more than one wireline and one wireless line per individual household or individual business.   |
| <b>Position</b> |  |

**UPDATES ON PENDING LEGISLATION**

**OTHER BUSINESS**

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