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| SB08-001           | Senate:<br>Morse<br>House:<br>Stephens | Concerning Creation of a School Safety Resource Center within the Department of Public Safety.                               | Creates in the department of public safety the school safety resource center to assist schools in preventing, preparing for, responding to, and recovering from emergencies and crisis situations. Sets forth the duties of the center. Authorizes the center to employ staff and contract for services.  | 02/06/2008<br>Senate<br>Committee on<br>Judiciary<br>Refer<br>Amended to<br>Appropriations                      |  | Monitor            |
| SB08-009           | Senate:<br>Tochtrop<br>House:<br>Rice  | Concerning Measures to Ensure the Proper Payment of Fire and Police Pension Benefits.  | Establishes penalties related to fire and police pension death and disability survivor benefits for a member who, as otherwise required by law, fails to submit to a medical examination or fails to provide information to the board of directors of the fire and police pension association or its designee.  | 03/13/2008<br>Sent to the<br>Governor   |  | Monitor            |
| SB08-011           | Senate:<br>Morse<br>House:<br>Massey   | Concerning Funding for the Provision of Uncompensated Trauma Care to Persons Injured in Motor Vehicle Accidents in Colorado. | Establishes the emergency responders and trauma care reimbursement program in the department of public health and environment to reimburse emergency and trauma care providers for uncompensated care provided to patients injured in a motor vehicle accident.   | 01/9/2008<br>Introduced In<br>Senate -<br>Assigned to<br>Health and<br>Human<br>Services                        |  | Support            |
| SB08-026           | Senate:<br>Hagedorn<br>House:<br>White | Concerning a Requirement that Cigarettes Sold in Colorado Meet Specified Standards for Reduced Ignition Propensity.          | Requires all cigarettes sold in Colorado on or after July 31, 2009, to be tested for, and to meet, specified standards for reduced ignition propensity. Specifies labeling to identify complying cigarettes. Prescribes the testing methods to be used. Requires manufacturers to certify in writing that their cigarettes have been tested and meet the standards. | 03/10/2008<br>House<br>Committee on<br>Health and<br>Human<br>Services<br>Refer<br>Amended to<br>Appropriations |  | Support            |
| SB08-039           | Senate:<br>Kopp<br>House:<br>Witwer    | Concerning a Training Program for Directors of Fire Protection Districts in Wild Land-Urban Interface Areas.                 | Directs the division of fire safety in the office of preparedness, security, and fire safety in the department of public safety to establish a pilot program by a specified date to offer training courses to board members of fire protection districts whose territory includes wildland-urban interface areas. Specifies the course subjects.                    | 03/06/2008<br>House Local<br>Government<br>Committee<br>Refer to<br>Appropriations<br>Unamended                 | SB-39 was heard by House Local Government Committee on March 6, 2008. It was passed, unamended to House Appropriations Committee on a vote of 10-0 (1 absent). | Support as amended |

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| SB08-051    | Senate:<br>Taylor<br>House:<br>Marshall | Concerning a Grant of Additional Enforcement Authority to the Director of the Division of Oil and Public Safety.  | Grants enforcement authority to the director of the division of oil and public safety in the department of labor and employment for violations of laws and rules concerning boilers and explosives. Allows the director to seek an injunction restraining a person from violating laws or rules concerning public school construction, boilers, and explosives. Allows the division to inspect blast sites. Requires an entity that conducts blasting to notify the division.   | 02/05/2008<br>Senate<br>Committee on<br>Business,<br>Labor and<br>Technology<br>Refer<br>Amended to<br>Appropriations |  | Monitor            |
| SB08-071    | Senate:<br>Gibbs<br>House:<br>Scanlan   | Concerning Extension of the Repeal Date of the Forest Restoration Pilot Program, and, in Connection Therewith, Extending the Repeal Date of the Technical Advisory Panel.                       | Extends the repeal date for the forest restoration pilot program and the technical advisory panel to July 1, 2012.  | 01/31/2008<br>Committee on<br>Agriculture,<br>Natural<br>Resources &<br>Energy Refer<br>Amended to<br>Appropriations  |  | Support            |
| SB08-080    | Senate:<br>Kopp<br>House:<br>Witwer     | Concerning an Income Tax Credit for Volunteer Firefighters.   | For income tax years commencing on or after January 1, 2008, but prior to January 1, 2018, there shall be allowed a credit with respect to the income taxes imposed pursuant to the provisions of this article in the amount of \$125 per income tax year to any qualified volunteer firefighter.   | 02/07/2008<br>Senate<br>Committee on<br>Finance<br>Postpone<br>Indefinitely   | SB08-080 was taken up by Senate Finance Committee on 02/07/08. As expected, the sponsor asked the committee to PI the bill as it is a revenue reduction bill and must start in the House. This action has the same effect as killing the bill. | Amend &<br>Support |
| SB08-103    | Senate:<br>Tochtrop<br>House:<br>None   | Concerning a Requirement that a Portion of the Property Tax Revenues Collected by an Urban Renewal Authority In Connection With Tax Increment Financing be Shared with Other Local Governments. | Commencing with the first property tax year in which any payment of property taxes are allocated and paid into a special fund to pay off indebtedness incurred by an urban renewal project, requires an urban renewal authority to make an annual payment to the other public bodies that share in the revenues produced by the property tax levy, including counties, school districts, and special districts, in an amount that is not less than a specified percentage of the amount of revenues from the property tax levy paid into the special fund in that year. | 02/21/2008<br>Senate<br>Committee on<br>Local<br>Government<br>Postpone<br>Indefinitely                               |  | Support            |

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| SB08-116    | Senate:<br>Kester<br>House:<br>Looper  | Concerning a Requirement that Employers of a Specified Size Allow Employees Who Are Volunteer Firefighters to Leave Work to Respond to an Emergency Summons.                       | Protects the jobs of employees who leave work to respond to specified emergency summonses as volunteer firefighters when the employer <del>employs more than 50 employees</del> , has been notified previously of the employee's status as a <del>trained and certified</del> volunteer firefighter, and receives written verification that the employee so responded.  | 03/14/2008<br>Senate<br>Considered<br>House<br>Amendments<br>- Result was to Concur -<br>Repass                          | SB 116 was amended in the House to conform it to language in HB 1097. The Senate concurred with the House amendments.                    | Support as amended           |
| SB08-158    | Senate:<br>Tochtrop<br>House:<br>None  | Concerning the Inclusion for Urban Renewal Purposes of Unincorporated Land Within a County That is Contiguous to a Portion of an Urban Renewal Area Located Within a Municipality. | Permits an urban renewal plan, urban renewal project, or urban renewal area to include unincorporated territory outside the boundaries of a municipality but contiguous to a portion of the urban renewal area located within the municipality. Prohibits such territory from being included in the plan, project, or area without the consent of the board of county commissioners and the consent of each owner of real property within the unincorporated area proposed for inclusion. | 03/07/2008<br>House<br>Second<br>Reading<br>Special Order<br>- Passed with<br>Amendments                                 |  | Monitor                      |
| SB08-181    | Senate:<br>Wiens<br>House:<br>Massey   | Concerning Measures to Improve Coordination Among Agencies When Responding to School Incidents.  | Directs the department of public safety to recommend and the executive director of the department to adopt by rule portions of the national response framework and the national incident management system ("NIMS") with which each public school in Colorado is required to comply.<br><br>Requires a school district board of education and the state charter school institute adopt a school response framework with specified elements. [more]  | 03/04/2008<br>Senate<br>Committee on<br>Local<br>Government<br>Pass<br>Amended to<br>Senate<br>Committee of<br>the Whole | SB 181 is scheduled for 2nd reading in the Senate on Monday, March 17, 2008.   | Monitor                      |
| SB08-187    | Senate:<br>Hagedorn<br>House:<br>Soper | Concerning a Requirement that Carbon Monoxide Alarms be Installed in Residential Properties.   | Requires any existing single-family dwelling or dwelling unit of an existing multi-family dwelling offered for sale or transfer on or after July 1, 2008, that has a fuel-burning heater or appliance, a fireplace, or an attached garage to have an operational carbon monoxide alarm installed within a specified distance of each room lawfully used for sleeping purposes.  | 02/26/2008<br>Introduced In<br>Senate -<br>Assigned to<br>Health and<br>Human<br>Services                                | SB 187 is scheduled to be heard by Senate Health and Human Services Committee on Wednesday, March 19, 2008, upon adjournment in SCR 356. | Support,<br>Seek to<br>Amend |

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| <b>HOUSE BILLS</b> |  |  |  |   |   |                    |
| HB08-1009          | House:<br>Massey<br>Senate:<br>Morse       | Concerning Emergency Medical Care Coverage in Connection With an Automobile Insurance Policy Issued in Colorado.                                       | Requires an automobile insurance policy issued, delivered, or renewed on or after January 1, 2009, to contain emergency medical care coverage of at least \$15,000 to cover the costs of all medically necessary and accident-related emergency medical care services provided to a person injured in a motor vehicle accident.  | 01/9/2008<br>Introduced In House -<br>Assigned to Business Affairs and Labor        |   | Monitor            |
| HB08-1027          | House:<br>V. Mitchell<br>Senate:<br>Taylor | Concerning Building Inspection Requirements for Educational Institutions.  | Clarifies the role of the division of oil and public safety in delegating the responsibility of performing inspections of public school buildings and junior college district buildings to a building department or a 3rd-party inspector. Requires a memorandum of understanding between the division and a building department that wishes to perform inspections.   | 03/05/2008<br>House Third Reading<br>Passed   | HB 1027 is scheduled to be heard by Senate Education Committee on Wednesday, March 19, 2008, Upon Adjournment in SCR 354. | Support as amended |
| HB08-1070          | House:<br>Riesberg<br>Senate:<br>Tochtrop  | Concerning the Redetermination of Benefits Payable Under the Fire and Police Pension Association's Statewide Defined Benefit Plan for New Hire Members | Modifies how the board of directors of the fire and police pension association may increase the benefits payable under statewide defined benefit plans for members of the association hired on or after April 8, 1978.   | 02/21/2008<br>Governor Action –<br>Signed   |   | Monitor            |
| HB08-1097          | House:<br>Lambert<br>Senate:<br>Romer      | Concerning the Provision of Protections to Certain Types of Volunteers Who Volunteer Their Services in a State-Level Emergency Situation.              | Prohibits any employer from discriminating against or discharging from employment any member of the civil air patrol because of such membership and from preventing any member from performing a civil air patrol mission. Allows a member who is a public employee and who is called to duty for a civil air patrol mission to take a leave of absence from his or her employment without loss of pay or benefits during the period of the mission. | 03/12/2008<br>House Considered<br>Senate Amendments - Result was to Concur - Repass |   | Monitor            |

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| HB08-1103   | House:<br>J. Kerr<br>Senate:<br>Isgar     | Concerning the Regulation of Amusement Rides by the Division of Oil and Public Safety.  | Requires each operator of an amusement ride to submit an annual certificate of inspection to the division of oil and public safety for each amusement ride. Requires the director of the division to establish minimum certification requirements for inspectors. Requires the inspector of each ride to be an independent 3rd-party inspector. Requires the operator of an amusement ride to notify the division regarding injuries caused by amusement rides, the installation of new rides, and the schedule for the location of amusement rides. | 03/03/2008<br>Introduced In Senate - Assigned to Business, Labor and Technology.     | HB 1103 is scheduled to be heard by Senate Business, Labor, & Technology Committee on Monday, March 17, 2008 at 1:30 P.M. in SCR 354.  | Monitor         |
| HB08-1110   | House:<br>Witwer<br>Senate:<br>Kopp       | Concerning an Income Tax Deduction For a Landowner's Direct Costs Incurred in Performing Wildfire Mitigation Measures.  | Allows an income tax deduction for a landowner who performs wildfire mitigation measures on private land in a wildland-urban interface area.   | 03/14/2008<br>Senate Committee on Appropriations Committee - Tie Vote                | HB 1110 was heard by Senate Appropriations Committee on March 14, 2008. The bill was pulled from consideration on a 5-5 tie vote. Someone will have to change their vote for the bill to move forward. | Support         |
| HB08-1163   | House:<br>Sonnenberg,<br>Senate:<br>Bacon | Concerning an Exception to Statutory Requirements Governing the Collection of Excess Property Tax Revenue by Urban Renewal Authorities in Connection With Tax Increment Financing for Certain Special Districts Providing Emergency Services. | Commencing with the first property tax year in which the excess of any payment of property taxes is allocated and paid into a special fund on or after the effective date of the act in connection with tax increment financing by urban renewal authorities, prohibits any portion of any revenues from such excess that are allocated to any special district providing emergency services from being collected and paid into the special fund.  | 02/05/2008<br>House Committee on Finance<br>Postpone Indefinitely                    |  | Amend & Support |
| HB08-1187   | House:<br>B. Gardner<br>Senate:<br>Spence | Concerning the Prohibition of Strikes Against Public Employers.   | Prohibits every public employee and every employee organization from directly or indirectly inducing, instigating, encouraging, authorizing, ratifying, or participating in a strike against any public employer. Prohibits a public employer from consenting to or condoning a strike. In the event of a public employee strike or the imminent threat of a strike, authorizes the public employer to seek an injunction from the district court.   | 01/24/2008<br>House Committee on Business Affairs and Labor<br>Postpone Indefinitely |  | Monitor         |

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| HB08-1249   | House:<br>Rice<br>Senate:<br>Kester     | Concerning the Emergency Telephone Services Charge.                     | Clarifies that the 911 service charge applies to prepaid wireless and internet-based telephone systems. Sets standards for the collection of such service charge. Changes the timing of the distribution of 911 service fees to any time a service user is capable of accessing the emergency service. [more]   | 03/13/2008<br>Senate<br>Committee on<br>Transportation<br>Pass<br>Amended to<br>Senate<br>Committee of<br>the Whole | HB 1249 was heard by Senate Transportation Committee on March 13, 2008 and was amended to remove prepaid wireless from the bill. The bill still requires VOIP providers to collect and remit the 9-1-1 surcharge. | Support  |
| HB08-1251   | House:<br>Curry<br>Senate:<br>None      | Concerning Hazardous Material Route Designations.                       | Enables a county to petition for changes to a hazardous material route designation with respect to any portion of a state- or county-maintained public road located within that county. Requires any entity petitioning for a route designation change to identify any alternate routes in its petition. [More]   | 02/14/2008<br>House<br>Transportation<br>& Energy<br>Committee -<br>Postpone<br>Indefinitely                        |   | Monitor  |
| HB08-1259   | House:<br>M. Carroll<br>Senate:<br>None | Concerning Increased Accountability Requirements for Special Districts. | A strike-below amendment to HB 1259 was passed by the House. This amendment eliminates all of the original bill relating to limiting districts serving outside their territory; doing away with May election date; requiring an annual report to be produced and sent to the county or city; mandatory voter information card mailed to all eligible electors prior to every special election.  | 03/06/2008<br>Introduced In<br>Senate -<br>Assigned to<br>Local<br>Government                                       | HB 1259 is scheduled to be heard by Senate Local Government Committee on Thursday, March 20, 2008, upon adjournment in SCR 353.   | Monitor  |
| HB08-1267   | House:<br>Massey<br>Senate:<br>None     | Concerning the Creation of a First Responder School Mapping System.     | Requires the school safety resource center in the department of public safety to create and operate a first responder school mapping system to provide first responders immediate access to maps of school buildings and other information in the event of an emergency at a school building. Requires the department to create the mapping system in accordance with the recommendations of the school safety resource center advisory board. [more] | 02/21/2008<br>House<br>Committee on<br>Education<br>Refer<br>Amended to<br>Appropriations                           |   | Monitor  |

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| HB08-1279          | House:<br>Bruce<br>Senate:<br>None    | Concerning Governmental Land Use Regulations, and, in Connection Therewith, Requiring Land Developers to Pay Fees to Address the Impacts Caused By New Construction, Placing Limits on Fees For Changes in Permitted Uses of Real Property, Prohibiting the New Issuance or Application of Land Use Regulations in Specified Circumstances Without the Payment of Just Compensation, and Providing for Initiative Petition Rights by Which Electors May Vote to Limit or End Land Use Regulations. | Requires each land developer seeking to develop Colorado real property for new construction, but not for additions to existing structures, to pay, within a specified deadline after final plat approval or similar final approvals, a proportionate impact fee in an amount established by a public schedule related to the direct and indirect impacts of such development as specified in the act. On or after the effective date of the act, prohibits any local government, even with voter approval, from increasing taxes or issuing bonds, certificates of participation, leases, or any other legal borrowing instruments to finance new or expanded capital improvements that address growth caused by new construction for which impact fees under the act are being paid or will be paid to the local government. [more] | 02/14/2008<br>House<br>Committee on<br>Local<br>Government<br>Postpone<br>Indefinitely              |              | Monitor         |
| HB08-1315          | House:<br>Gallegos<br>Senate:<br>None | Concerning the Authorization for Volunteer Emergency Medical Technicians to Form a Pension Plan.   | Expands the "Volunteer Firefighter Pension Act" to allow volunteer emergency medical technicians (EMTs) who are affiliated with an ambulance district to create and maintain a pension plan for volunteer EMTs.<br><br>Specifies that the state shall provide a contribution to each volunteer EMT pension plan in an amount equal to a certain percentage of the tax revenue that the ambulance district receives for the plan.<br><br>Provides certain job protections for volunteer EMTs. Specifies that a volunteer EMT's years of service for the purposes of receiving benefits shall be counted from the date that a volunteer EMT pension plan is created and starts receiving contributions.  | 02/19/2008<br>House<br>Committee on<br>Local<br>Government<br>Refer<br>Amended to<br>Appropriations |              | Monitor         |

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| HB08-1324   | House:<br>Witwer<br>Senate:<br>Kopp | Concerning an Income Tax Credit for Volunteer Firefighters.                      | For income tax years commencing on or after January 1, 2008, but prior to January 1, 2018, there shall be allowed a credit with respect to the income taxes imposed pursuant to the provisions of this article in the amount of \$125 per income tax year to any qualified volunteer firefighter.   | 02/12/2008<br>House<br>Committee on<br>Finance<br>Postpone<br>Indefinitely     |   | Support        |
| HB08-1334   | House:<br>Witwer<br>Senate:<br>Kopp | Concerning Health Insurance for Bona Fide Volunteer Emergency Service Providers. | Authorizes emergency service providers to enter into group health insurance contracts with carriers for the purpose of providing insurance to bona fide volunteers who are active and in good standing. Allows the governing body of each emergency service provider the discretion to negotiate the details related to the procurement and administration of the insurance contracts. Specifies that bona fide volunteers and emergency service providers fall within the purview of existing group sickness and accident insurance law. | 03/03/2008<br>Introduced In<br>Senate -<br>Assigned to<br>Local<br>Government. | HB 1334 is scheduled to be heard by Senate Local Government Committee on Thursday, March 20, 2008, upon adjournment in SCR 353. | Support        |
| HB08-1360   | House:<br>Witwer<br>Senate:<br>Kopp | Concerning Authorizing Fire Arson Investigators as Peace Officers.               | Clarifies that a fire arson investigator authorized by a unit of local government is a peace officer while engaged in the performance of his or her duties.   | 03/13/2008<br>Introduced In<br>House -<br>Assigned to<br>Judiciary             | HB 1360 is scheduled to be heard by House Judiciary Committee on Wednesday, March 19, 2008 at 1:30 p.m. in Room 0112.           | No<br>Position |