CML Legislative Preview

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Building Codes

- Electric Fence Bill
 - Sponsors: Rep. Soper
 - CML Board Position: CML's Board has opposed this legislation in the past and will take a position at a future meeting



Criminal Justice

- Prohibition Against Whistleblower Retaliation
 - Sponsor: Rep. Bacon
 - CML Board Position: CML's Board will take a position at a future meeting
- Police Officer "Due Process"
 - Sponsors: Rep. Clifford
 - CML Board Position: CML's Board has opposed this legislation in the past and will take a position at a future meeting
- Peace Officer Conduct Database
 - Sponsor: Rep. Clifford
 - CML Board Position: CML's Board will take a position at a future meeting



Criminal Justice (cont'd)

- Local Authorities Enforce Vehicle Registration
 - Sponsor: Rep. Titone
 - CML Board Position: Support



Elections

- Colorado Voting Rights Act
 - Sponsors: Senator Gonzales
 - CML Board Position: Will consider at a future meeting



Gaming

- I-gaming statewide gaming issue
 - CML Board Position: Will consider a position at a future meeting



Housing

- Construction defects
 - Sponsors: Representative Bird
 - CML Board Position: Support
- 'Consumer Protection' Construction Defects
 - Sponsor: Bacon
 - CML Board Position: Will consider a position at a future meeting
- Modular home codes
 - Sponsors: Representative Boesenecker, Senator Bridges
 - CML Board Position: Oppose



Land Use

- Cell phone tower permitting
 - Sponsors: Representatives Lukens and Bacon, Senators Roberts and Hinrichsen
 - CML Board position: Oppose
- YIGBY (Yes In God's Back Yard)
 - Sponsors: Representatives Boesenecker and Mabrey, Senator Gonzales
 - CML Board position: Oppose
- Mental health transitional living facilities
 - Sponsors: Representative Mauro
 - CML Board position: Support (CML-initiated legislation)



Licensing

- Food Trucks Statewide standards for fire and food safety inspections – small business assistance
 - CML Board Position: Will consider a position at a future meeting.
- Sale of Puppies in Public Places Prohibited
 - CML Board Position: Will consider a position at a future meeting.



Liquor Regulation

- 4am Bar Closing
 - CML Board Position: Will consider a position at a future meeting.



Municipal Courts

- CML PR Bond | FTA flexibility
 - Sponsors: Reps. Soper & Bird; Sens. Roberts & Frizell
 - CML Board Position: Support (CML-initiated legislation)
- No ordinance making FTA contempt of court
 - Sponsors: Sen Weissman, Hinrichsen
 - CML Board Position: CML's Board will take a position at a future meeting.
- CFF Municipal Court Reform & Transparency
 - Sponsors: Rep. Mabrey & Sen. Weissman
 - CML Board Position: CML's Board will take a position at a future meeting.



Municipal Liability

- Re-write of the Colorado Anti-Discrimination Act
 - Sponsors: TBD
 - CML Board Position: Will consider at a future meeting



Open Meetings/ Open Records

- Public Records Bill
 - Sponsors: Senator Kipp
 - CML Position: CML's board supported similar legislation last session and will consider this bill at a future meeting.
- Accessible Public Meetings
 - Sponsors: TBD
 - CML Position: CML's board will consider at a future meeting



Transportation

- Increase Transportation Mode Choice Reduce Emissions
 - Sponsors: Senators Winter and Hinrichsen, Representative Froelich
 - CML Board Position: Amend
- Local Funding for Vulnerable Road User Protection
 - Sponsors: Representative Boesenecker, Senators Winter and Cutter
 - CML Board Position: Support
- Paratransit Services
 - Sponsors: Representatives Froelich and Valdez, Senators Winter and Simpson
 - CML Board Position: Monitor



Taxation

- Future of Severance Tax & Water Funding Task Force
 - Sponsors: Senators Roberts & Simpson, Representatives
 McCormick & Martinez
 - CML Board Position: Support
- Governor's Budget Proposal
 - The Governor's budget proposal includes a proposed \$20 million sweep over 2 years (10 million per year) of money in DOLA's Energy and Mineral Impact Grant program to be moved to the General Fund.



Taxation (cont'd)

- Excise Tax Enabling Legislation for Statutory Municipalities and Counties.
 - Sponsors: Speaker McCluskie, Senator Roberts
 - CML Board Position: Support
- Third Party Auditor Confidentiality
 - Sponsors: SUTS members
 - CML Board Position: Support
- Watch for Vacancy Tax Discussion
 - CML Board Position: Support
 - Assessors' Metro District Bill Fix a loophole related to metro districts receiving a property tax exemption
 - CML Board Position: Will consider at future meeting.



Urban Renewal Authorities

- Similar to Senate Bill 23-273 by Senator Marchman
 - Sponsors: Senator Marchman, Representative Boesenecker
 - CML Board Position: Oppose



Water

- Backflow Prevention Devices Requirements
 - Sponsors: Senator Roberts, Representatives Lieder & Ricks
 - CML Board Position: CML Board will consider a position at a future meeting



Thank you!

Questions?

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