



Move Colorado 2026 Legislative Session "Quick Pulse" Presentation

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About CRL

Public Affairs that Drive Results

- Colorado roots since 1981
- Local lobbying firm representing various clients among real estate, development, land use, transportation, housing, corporate affairs and political associations at the local municipal and county level.
- Connected to the state legislative for impacts on clients and local governments in the work way do each day!

CRL Expertise

We bring success through:

- Deep knowledge in local and municipal policy
- Strong relationship with community and decision-makers
- Proven experience in infrastructure, land use, housing, and ballot initiatives
- Transparent engagement and creative problem-solving

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The background image shows the ornate facade of Union Station in Denver, Colorado. The building features classical architectural elements like columns and arches. A prominent sign at the top reads "UNION STATION" in large, red, block letters. Below it, another sign says "RAVEL TRAIN" in a similar style. A clock face is visible in the center of the upper facade. The text "UNION STATION" is also visible on the building's facade below the main sign. The entire image is overlaid with a semi-transparent blue filter.

Quick Pulse - 2026 Colorado State Legislature Bills

Transit Legislation

HB26-1065: Transit and Housing Investment Zones

Sponsors: Rep. J. McCluskie, Rep. S. Woodrow, Sen. D. Roberts, Sen. T. Exum

Status: Introduced (1/21/26)

- Establishes Transit Investment Projects & Financing Structure
- Sets limits and rules:
 - Projects must be approved by the state
 - Last 30 years
 - Capped at 3 per year, 6 total and \$75 million in funding per year
- Fosters a new tax credit
 - Supporting affordable housing near transit
 - Offering \$50 million per year (2027-2033)

Housing Legislation

HB26-1001: Housing Developments on Qualifying Properties

Sponsors: Rep. A. Boesenecker, Rep. J. Mabrey, Sen. T. Exum, Sen. J. Gonzales

Status: Reengrossed (2/06/26)

- Allows By-Right Residential Development on Qualifying Public & Nonprofit Properties
- Sets Development Standards and Protections Against Local Restrictions
- Supports Affordable Housing & Community Uses

Housing Legislation

HB26-1114: Allowed Minimum Lot Size for Subject Jurisdictions

Sponsors: Rep. R. Stewart, Rep. S. Woodrow, Sen. M. Ball,

Status: Reengrossed (2/25/26)

- Sets a statewide minimum lot size cap for single-family homes (2,000 sq ft)
- Protects local safety and infrastructure needs
- Includes specific exceptions such as:
 - Lots without municipal water/sewer service
 - Lots with wells or septic systems
 - Historic properties
 - Pre-existing common interest communities

Transportation Initiative

Ballot Initiative #175 State Road Funding Amendment

- Defines what consists as "state revenue collected to support road infrastructure"
- Funds would be used for
 - Construction, maintenance, and operation of public roads
 - Safety improvements for motor vehicles
- Requires 55% of voter approval to pass

Energy Legislation

Energy Overview & Background

Recent data center development in Colorado

Energy needs, AI, modern digital economy

Discussion between

- Development incentives & growth
- Consumer protections & environmental accountability



NOVVA Data Centers. (n.d.). *Colorado data center | Denver colocation | NOVVA Data Centers.* Retrieved March 4, 2026, from <https://www.novva.com/data-center-facilities/colorado>

Energy Legislation

HB26-1030: Data Center & Utility Modernization

Sponsors: Rep. A. Valdez, Rep. M. Duran, Sen. K. Mullica

Status: Introduced (1/14/26)

- Creates the data center development & incentive program and governing authority
- Provides tax incentives tied to investment. Jobs, and sustainability standards
- Addresses utility planning for large energy loads

Energy Legislation

SB26-102: Large-Load Data Centers

Sponsors: Sen. C. Kipp, Rep. K. Brown

Status: Introduced (2/11/26)

- Imposes clean energy infrastructure and utility requirements on large data centers
- Establishes transparency, reporting, and utility oversight
- Creates strong local review, community protections, and labor standards



Possible Upcoming Legislation –
What's Next?

Future Legislation Forecast

RTD Reform & Report

Accountability Committee Recommendations (1/30/26)

- Governing structure
- Compensation
- Labor and workforce
- Riders Bill of Rights
- Regional Transportation Authorities

Future Legislation Forecast



Uncover Colorado. (n.d.). Bustang bus in Colorado [Photograph]. In Bustang – Colorado | Uncover Colorado. Retrieved March 4, 2026, from <https://www.uncovercolorado.com/transportation/bustang-colorado/> (photo credited to Facebook/ridebustang)

Pegasus/Bustang funding

- Recent pilot program has been a success
- Once expansion pilot funding and ARPA funds have been used, a funding shortfall will need to be addressed.
- The Transportation Commission and/or State Assembly may approve a plan to add more funding for CDOT in FY 27

Q&A



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