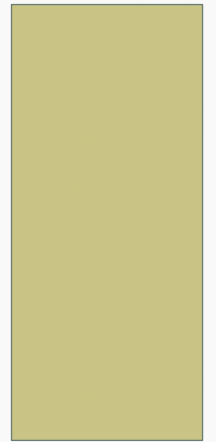


**2020 SESSION IN REVIEW &
ELECTION EXPECTATIONS**



GRACE COMMITTEE OVERVIEW

- Government Relations Advisory Committee of Excellence (GRACE)
- 2019-20120 GRACE Committee Members:
 - Chair: Randy Brodersen
 - Rob Deherrera
 - Tara Kiene
 - Doug McNeill
 - Sally Montgomery
 - Debbie Spencer
 - Tom Turner
- **Charge:** To influence and inform members of the Colorado Legislature and State Departments with respect to the Colorado Community Centered System and to keep Alliance members informed of all relevant government and legislative activities.

2020 SESSION IN REVIEW





HAND WE WERE DEALT

- Dems controlled all statewide offices and full state-government trifecta.
- A record-breaking number of Democrats in Legislature:
 - 19 Ds vs 16 Rs in the Senate
 - 41 Ds vs 24 Rs in the House.
- Caucuses: Business friendly Dems, Progressive Dems, and Republicans.

TONE & PROCESS

- Dems run everything
- Coronavirus Session
- Republicans striving to limit legislation & impact
- Grand deals to pass high-impact bills with tight timeline
- Limited stakeholder work

SESSION WINNERS

- Criminal justice reform
- Tax reform
- healthcare
- LGBTQ & repro rights groups

SESSION LOSERS

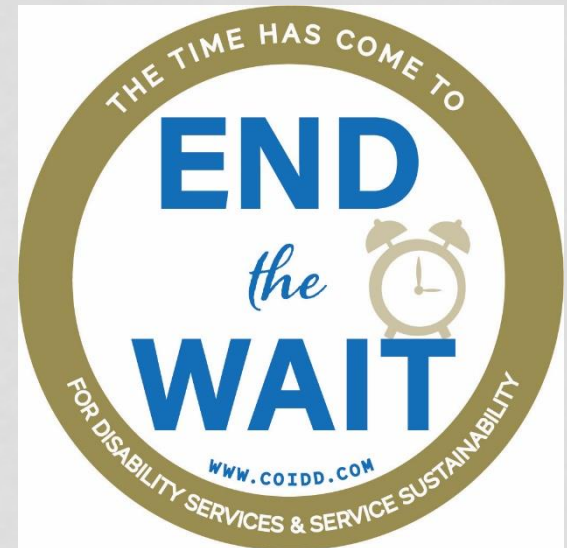
- The state budget
- Most non-covid related bills
- Public option
- K-12 funding
- Gun reform

2020 IDD OVERVIEW



END THE WAIT CAMPAIGN

- Comprehensive campaign to finally *end the wait* for people still in need of DD-waiver resources.
- Target: all 100 legislators
- Original Ask:
 - 6 year buy-down of waiver
 - Tie rates to inflation
- COMMITMENTS FROM ALL JBC LEGISLATORS & LEADERSHIP....**and then....**







YOU GET TOILET PAPER!

2020 IDD BUDGET

- New DD Waiver Resources:
 - 399 new emergency resources
 - 240 churn resources
- Rates:
 - 1% provider rate decrease
 - Certain targeted rate increases
 - CHRP
 - Denver local min wage
- Funded EI for 19-20FY, but no growth included for next year
- IDD Cash fund emptied

2020 ALLIANCE BILL OVERVIEW

- In addition to the state budget, Alliance tracked 15 bills in the 2020 legislative session.
- Out of the 15 bills Alliance tracked, 8 passed and will become law.
- Alliance supported 8 bills in the 2020 legislative session; 4 of which passed and will become law.
- Alliance worked to amend one bill.

HB20-1263

ELIMINATE SUB-MINIMUM WAGE EMPLOYMENT

- Rep Caraveo, Rep Pelton, & Sen Gonzales
- **Alliance position: Support**
- Eliminate subminimum wage practices over 4 years
- Create new employment services and restructuring existing IDD employment services

FAILED

HB20-1302
CAPS CHECK PROGRAM CHANGES

- Rep Lontine & Sen Danielson
- **Alliance position: Support**
- Clarifies language in the CAPS check hiring requirement.

PASSED

HB20-1363

REPEAL REPORT ON INCREASE RATE FOR DIRECT SUPPORT

- JBC bill
- **Alliance position: Support**
- Eliminates *reporting* requirements from HB18-1407, Direct Support Professional compensation pass-through.*

*the pass-through requirement still exists and HCPF retains authority to audits finances accordingly

PASSED

SB20-033

ALLOW MEDICAID BUY-IN PROGRAM AFTER AGE 65

- JBC bill
- **Alliance position: Monitor**
- Directs HCPF to seek authorization to allow working adults with disabilities who are over 65 years old to continue participating in the existing Medicaid buy-in program

PASSED

2020 ELECTION RACES TO WATCH



ARE YOU READY?

- The endless campaign cycle continues...

WHAT'S YOUR CAMPAIGN-SEASON SPIRIT ANIMAL?

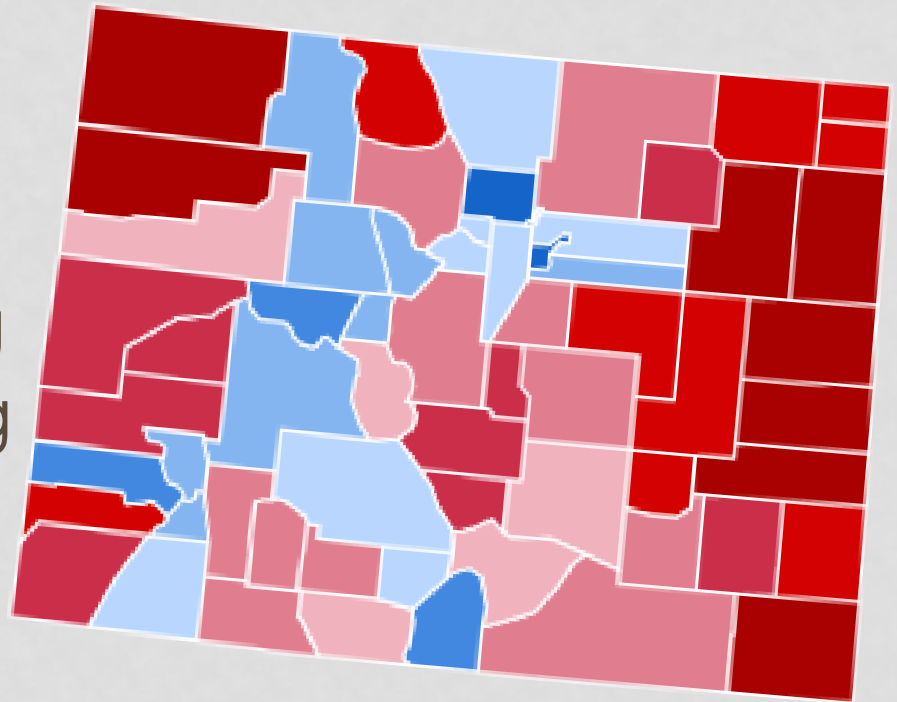


GOVERNOR'S RACE

- Luckily spared for all State Executive races this year.
- Next time Governor runs will be 2022.
- In light of the COVID-19 crisis, CO voters are happy with how things are going under Polis's guide.

STATE-WIDE ELECTIONS

- No state-wide elections for 2020.
- Jena Griswold, Phil Weiser, Dave Young stay in office as long as Gov. Polis.



CONGRESSIONAL RACES: PRIMARY PLAY

- CD1 – Hon. Diana Degette (D) is unopposed
- CD2 - Joe Neguse is unopposed
- **CD3 – Hon. Scott Tipton (R) vs. (Former) Rep. Dianne Mitsch Bush (D) or James Iacino(D)**
- CD4 - Hon. Ken Buck (R) vs Ike McCorkle(D)
- CD5 - Hon. Doug Lamborn (R) vs. Jillian Freeland (D)
- CD6 – Hon. Jason Crow (D) vs. Steve House (R)
- CD7 – Hon. Ed Perlmutter (D) vs Casper Stockham

THE MOST WATCHED RACE...

- Senator Cory Gardner (R)
- Former Governor John Hickenlooper (D) vs Former Speaker Andrew Romanoff(D)
- **Going to be a tough race for Gardner with whoever wins the dem primary.**

WHAT ABOUT THE STATE LEGISLATURE?

- House will likely stay in Democrat control
- The House will maintain liberal populist tendencies
- Lots of open seats and more “barbell” candidates

PRIMARY STATE SENATE RACES TO WATCH

Senate District 8

Republican

Sen Bob Rankin

Debra Irvine

Democrat

Karl Hanlon

Arn Menconi

Senate District 23

Republican

Barbara Kirkmeyer

Rupert Parchment

PRIMARY STATE
SENATE RACES TO WATCH

Senate District 31

Democrat

Chris Hansen

Maria Orms

GENERAL ELECTION
STATE SENATE RACES TO WATCH

Senate District 19

Democrat

Rachel Zenzinger (Incumbent)

Republican

Lynn Gerber

Senate District 25

Republican

Kevin Priola (incumbent)

Democrat

Paula Dickerson

PRIMARY STATE HOUSE RACES TO WATCH

House District 6

Democrat

Steve Woodrow (Incumbent)

Dan Knelspach

Steven Paletz

House District 38

Republican

Richard Champion (Incumbent)

Democrat

Candice Ferguson

David Ortiz

PRIMARY STATE HOUSE RACES TO WATCH

House District 40

Democrat

Nauetta Ricks

John Ponquillo

House District 62

Democrat

Don Valdez (incumbent)

Matthew Martinez

PRIMARY STATE HOUSE RACES TO WATCH

House District 22

Republican

Colin Larson (incumbent)

Justin Everett

House District 48

Republican

Grady Nouis

Tonya Van Beber

PRIMARY STATE HOUSE RACES TO WATCH

House District 49

Republican

Michal Lynch

Vicki Marble

House District 63

Republican

Pat Miller

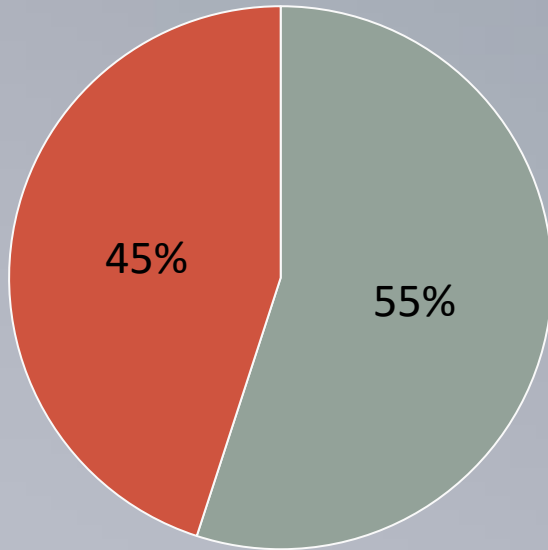
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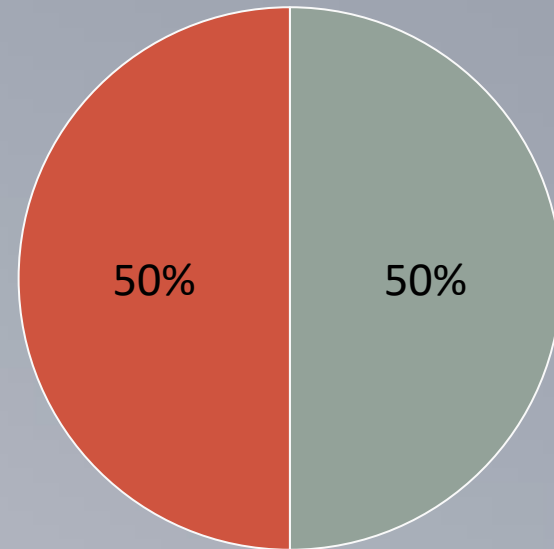
2018 BALLOT MEASURES



CONSTITUTIONAL CHANGE



STATUTORY CHANGE



■ PASS

■ FAIL

REFRESHER

CONSTITUTIONAL VS. STATUTORY CHANGES

INITIATIVES AND REFERENDUMS

- **On The Ballot - 7 measures**
 - 22 week abortion ban – Statutory
 - Citizen only voting – Constitutional
 - Grey Wolf Reintroduction – Statutory
 - National Popular Vote – Veto Repeal
 - Transportation Bonds – Bond Issue
 - Additional tobacco tax – Ref/Constitutional
 - Charity bingo & raffles – Ref/Constitutional

...and maybe more!

SHOW ME THE MONEY



SO IT'S ALL ABOUT THE BUDGET?

WELL, YES... YES IT IS.

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

- The legislature cut \$3.5 Billion from the base Colorado Budget, roughly 25 Percent
- These cuts included:
 - \$150 million to suspend the Homestead Property Tax Exemption
 - \$450 million to Higher Education
 - \$610 from K-12 Education
- Provider rates were expected to get a 5% cut but in the end it was “only” 1%

TELL ME ABOUT 2021...

- Revenue projections show the need to cut another \$1 Billion.
- There will likely not be federal stimulus to backfill.
- The Legislature will change a lot.
- PS. There may be a special session.

THANK YOU



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QUESTIONS?

