



# 2017 BILL BOOK





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## **COLORADO YMCA YOUTH IN GOVERNMENT PROGRAM**

November 14, 2017

Welcome to the Colorado Youth in Government 2017 General Assembly! Thank you for choosing to participate in this historical event. This unique program gives you full access to the Colorado State Capitol, and an educational experience with phenomenal guest speakers and visitors.

Over the next three days, you will all partake in discussions and debates. It is my hope that you respectfully defend your stance on the many issues presented, while also learning the art of compromise and understanding someone else's point of view. Our government has the challenging task of developing laws that benefit as many citizens as possible. It will be your task over the next few days to take on that role, think critically, and work together for the greater good. I request that you ask questions, learn, and make the most of these three days. This is a rare, challenging, and but fun experience.

Thankfully, we all have been given this opportunity because of the support from a few special parties. It is the generosity of The Daniel's Fund that we are able to provide several scholarships, support transportation, purchase new technology for our media program, and plan an elegant Governor's Ball to celebrate our successful event.

The program also relies on the support of our wonderful YMCA staff. Many thanks and gratitude go out to Jim Hiner, Gene deManincor, Kim Armitage, Teresa Kutt, Alicia Kovalchek, Gloria Price and many others for their commitment to and support for this program. Be sure to thank the several adults around you, who have taken the time to volunteer and guide you through this process. We are grateful for the relationship with the State Capitol staff, who continue to make this possible for us year after year.

Looking forward to being with you for the next three days, as we challenge to learn and grow!

Sincerely,

*Mandy S. Martinez*

Amanda S. Martinez  
State Director  
Colorado YMCA Youth in Government



## **MODEL LEGISLATOR'S PLEDGE**

Since the responsibilities of leadership, which are preparing me for the increased demands and opening opportunities of tomorrow, are already upon me, I will do my utmost in every present circumstance:

- To give myself to noble causes without thought of personal gain.
- To place personal integrity above pride, position and power.
- To learn and practice self-control, using my ears more than my tongue.
- To be a creative force for good – never negative and destructive in acts and attitudes – always a part of the solution and never a part of the problem.
- To neither be unashamed of my convictions nor have convictions that shame me.
- To promote peace and fulfill freedom's demands.
- To hold high the worth and dignity of every human being.
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## CODE OF CONDUCT

The purpose of the Colorado YMCA Youth in Government is to develop a dedication to the values of democracy and an awareness for the need of our youth's participation and leadership in the democratic process. Participants in this program are especially privileged, because they are allowed to use the historic legislative chambers and offices in the State Capitol Building, the Supreme Court Chambers, and other facilities.

A high level of positive conduct is expected of all participants that requires self-control, individual decision-making, responsibility, and adherence to a code that is appropriate for each conference experience. The Code of Conduct shall be observed by both youth and adults. There is no double standard. With this in mind, the following Code of Conduct has been established for the YIG Program.

The Code of Conduct and Capitol Facility Expectations should be carefully reviewed prior to attending the Model Assembly Session. Advisors are always welcome to enforce a stricter standard than the Code of Conduct dictates, but the State Youth in Government Staff will only enforce the standards outlined in the Code of Conduct and facility expectation documents.

Registration for the Youth in Government Program implies personal acceptance of the Code of Conduct as follows:

1. Each delegate shall conduct him/herself in an orderly manner at all times during the program.
2. It is the responsibility of each participant to attend **all** scheduled sessions and activities and remain in their assigned areas during these sessions.
3. Each delegate will respect the property of others and that of the conference facilities and State Capitol. The future of our program's use of the Capitol facilities and other buildings is contingent on proper treatment of these places. Buildings and equipment **MUST** be kept in the same (or better) condition than when they were found. Do not disturb or remove any equipment, desk, fixtures, etc. Each delegate is liable for the willful destruction of private or public property.
4. **Chemical use is prohibited!** This includes drinking alcohol and/or use of illegal drugs. Use or possession of alcohol or non-prescription drugs is forbidden. Smoking is **not** permitted in any facility used by the program.
5. Strict adherence to the dress code is required during all sessions.
6. For security purposes, participants **MUST** wear their name tags at all times when on Capitol grounds and in other buildings used during the General Assembly.
7. Elevators are reserved for the use of Capitol staff and actual representatives. Youth in Government participants are asked to use the stairs with the exception of those students with a disability or injury.
8. Participants must remain in the areas of the capitol set aside for the program and should use only the public restrooms found in the basement and cafeteria.
9. There is to be **NO** food or beverage of any kind (except water) allowed in any chamber, program area, or committee room. Food is only allowed in the basement cafeteria.
10. Each individual is expected to conform to all rules and regulations for the conference. Participants who violate the Code of Conduct are subject to disciplinary action, up to and including termination of participation in the program and **being sent home at their own expense.**

## PROFESSIONAL DRESS CODE

As young men and young women, you are responsible for following a standard of dress during General Assembly, as well as any down time while you are in Denver. These standards are followed by the Colorado Legislature and this dress code will be enforced.

Participants not abiding by the dress code will not be allowed to take seats in House, Senate or committee sessions. Lobbyists and Media staff will not be allowed in committee rooms and chambers. Advisors are asked to review with delegations to ensure they understand the dress code.

Dress Code for Professional Dress (required during all sessions in Denver):

- Collared shirt with tie or blouse
- Sports coat/sweater or suit jacket – Required over collared shirts
- All sweaters and shirts must have sleeves
- Dress shoes (no boots or sneakers)
- Slacks – Dress slacks or Khakis (no Corduroys)
- Shirts should be tucked in at all times
- Dress (Sleeveless dresses may only be worn under a sweater or jacket)
- Skirts/dresses must sit no shorter than two inches above the knee
- No exposed mid-drifts

**General Guidelines:** What would you wear to testify before a committee of the Legislature?

**Acceptable:** Tops must be size appropriate fit, covering midriff and covering shoulders (no spaghetti straps, tube tops, or muscle shirts)

**Unacceptable:** T-Shirts, Sheer materials, visible undergarments, low neck line, mini-skirts (shorter than mid-thigh), shorts or skorts, denim, sunglasses inside, baseball caps or any hat in the capitol building, athletic shoes, combat boots, work boots, sandals.

**Governor's Ball:** Formal dresses which are permitted to be sleeveless and/or with spaghetti straps are allowed during the Governor's Ball. Youth are encouraged to dress similarly to a Homecoming Dance. Otherwise, delegates must adhere to the General Assembly Dress Code.

## 2017 GENERAL ASSEMBLY SCHEDULE

### Monday, November 20

7:30 – 8:15a	Check-in: Outside House Chamber
8:15 – 10:00a	Announcements and General Assembly: House Chamber Introduction by Mandy Martinez, State Director Welcome from Jim Hiner, President and CEO Welcome from Representative Kim Ransom Swearing in of Officers Opening Session
10:00 – 11:35a	Committee Sessions Supreme Court Appellate Cases
11:40 – 12:00a	Guest Speaker, Governor Hickenlooper: House Chamber
12:00 – 1:15p	Break for Lunch (On Your Own in Small Groups)
12:00 – 1:15p	Officer's Luncheon: Legislative Building, 1 <sup>st</sup> Floor
1:00 – 1:30p	Announcements and Updates: Senate Chamber
1:30 – 1:45p	Guest Speaker, Senate President Grantham: Senate Chamber Announcements
1:45 – 3:30p	Committee Sessions Supreme Court Appellate Cases
3:30 – 4:30p	Senate and House Convene
4:30p	Adjourn

## **Tuesday, November 21**

7:30 – 8:15a	Check-in: Outside House Chamber
8:15 – 10:00a	Guest Speaker, Senator Gardner: House Chamber Announcements and General Assembly
10:00 – 12:00p	Committee Sessions Supreme Court Judicial Review
12:00 – 1:00p	Break for Lunch (On Your Own, in Small Groups)
1:00 – 1:15p	Announcements: House Chambers
1:15 – 3:00p	Committee Sessions Supreme Court Judicial Review
3:00 – 4:00p	House and Senate Convene
4:00p	Adjourn
4:15p	Group Photo on the steps of the Capitol
5:00 – 9:00p	Governor’s Ball, Dinner and Candidate Speeches: Denver Grand Hyatt

## **Wednesday, November 22**

7:30 – 8:30a	Check-in: Outside House Chamber
8:30 – 8:50a	Announcements and General Assembly: House Chamber
9:00 – 10:00a	House and Senate Convene
10:00 – 10:15a	Break
10:15 – 12:00p	House and Senate Convene
12:00 – 12:15p	Break
12:15 – 1:30p	General Assembly: House Chamber
1:45p	Adjourn

## OFFICERS

<b>Officer</b>	<b>Role</b>	<b>School</b>
Aaron Lombardi	Lt. Governor	PWHS
Aaron Moss	Speaker of the House	RCS
Daniel Sun	President of the Senate	PWHS
Eva VanDeList	Attorney General	Windsor
Gaige Graham	Chief Justice	PWHS
Isaac Sloan	Governor	PWHS
Jordan Pennington	Editor in Chief	AOA

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS

Amanda Li – House Committee One

Cassie Daly – House Committee Two

Emily Shelest – House Committee Three

Jordan Taylor – House Committee Four

Linda Hussein – Senate Committee One

Andrea Lin – Senate Committee Two

Samual Mitchell – Senate Committee Three

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

House	Role	Committee #	Committee Name	School
	Speaker of the House			
Aaron Moss	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	RCS
Abigayle Post	Representative	4	Education	Golden
Adison Douglass	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	Golden
Adriana Douglas	Representative	3	Social Human Services	Golden
Alex Willebrand	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	Fairview
Alicia Wu	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	Fairview
Amanda Li	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	Fairview
Arian Hernandez	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	Glendale YMCA
Ashley Vernon	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	Strasburg
Bailey Shumpert	Representative	4	Education	RCS
Ben Aldana	Representative	3	Social Human Services	Hinkley
Caitlin Davis	Representative	3	Social Human Services	MPHS
Cassie Daly	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	PWHS
Caylee Holle	Representative	4	Education	RCS
Celeste Alamillo	Representative	4	Education	Gateway
Cisco Torres	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	Gateway
Codey Carr	Representative	3	Social Human Services	Golden
Courtney Manahan	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	Strasburg
Cynthia Lin	Representative	4	Education	Fairview
Dereni Yusuf	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	Gateway
Elisabeth Perl	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	RCS
Emily Hoffmeister	House Clerk	N/A	N/A	MPHS
Emily Norbury	Representative	3	Social Human Services	PWHS
Emily Shelest	Representative	3	Social Human Services	Strasburg
Ethan Cranston	Representative	4	Education	Golden
Goldie Ramey	Representative	4	Education	Gateway
Jabori Sessions	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	Gateway
Jacob Stiles	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	Gateway
Jake Shin	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	Fairview
Jasmine Baum	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	Gateway
Jeanie Nguyen	Representative	3	Social Human Services	Gateway
Jessa Granata	Representative	3	Social Human Services	PWHS
Jordan Cruz	Representative	4	Education	PWHS
Jordan Traylor	Representative	4	Education	Gateway
Kabsa Abdi	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	Gateway
Khadija Zazi	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	Gateway
Kimberly Boland	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	RCS
Kristen Arbutnot	Representative	3	Social Human Services	Strasburg
Lachlan Patino Scott	Representative	4	Education	Gateway



Larry Blackshear	Representative	4	Education	Gateway
Lenae Wilson	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	NONE
Lillian Schrot	Representative	3	Social Human Services	Gateway
Mariah Evans	Representative	3	Social Human Services	Gateway
Meliza Castrejon Calvillo	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	Gateway
Micah Cunningham	Representative	4	Education	RCS
Mitchell Simpkins	Representative	4	Education	Strasburg
Nancy Lira Montiel	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	Gateway
Nathaniel Jackson	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	RCS
Noah Grady	Representative	3	Social Human Services	PWHS
Olivia Parapat	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	Gateway
Patricia Moreno Ortega	Representative	3	Social Human Services	Gateway
Ruben Cruz	Representative	4	Education	Gateway
Rylan Losh	Representative	3	Social Human Services	Strasburg
Sam Flores	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	Golden
Sam Zamora	Representative	4	Education	Gateway
Saul Rosas	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	Gateway
Saurabh Totey	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	Fairview
Selene Monico	Representative	3	Social Human Services	Gateway
Shae Swerdfeger	Representative	3	Social Human Services	PWHS
Stephen Kleeman	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	MPHS
Tamara Wurman	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	Fairview
T'phani Perley-Schiele	Representative	4	Education	Gateway
Trekess Kelley	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	Gateway
Trevor Ferreira	Representative	1	Labor, Energy, and Environment	Fairview
Tyler Ker	Representative	2	Safety Human Services	Gateway
Yordanos Alemayehu	Representative	4	Education	Gateway

## SENATE

Senate	Role	Committee #	Committee	School
Alexander Brown	Senator	3	Health Human Services	TRHS
Alexander Jordan	Senator	3	Health Human Services	RCS
Alexander Kokoshinskiy	Senator	1	Animals and Other	Fairview
Andrea Fuentes	Senator	1	Animals and Other	Gateway
Andrea Lin	Senator	2	Business, Technology, & the Work Force	Fairview
Arabella Crites	Senator	2	Business, Technology, & the Work Force	RCS
Caitlynn McPherson	Senator	3	Health Human Services	PWHS
Chance Smith	Senator	1	Animals and Other	RCS

Cody Starcher	Senator	2	Business, Technology, & the Work Force	Hinkley
Cody Wilson	Senator	3	Health Human Services	Strasburg
	President of the			
Daniel Sun	Senate	1	Animals and Other	PWHS
			Business, Technology, & the Work Force	
Edlla-Beata Tetteh	Senator	2	Business, Technology, & the Work Force	Gateway
Emily Nevarez Carbajal	Senator	1	Animals and Other	Gateway
Estrella Soto	Senator	3	Health Human Services	Gateway
Evan Roshak	Senator	1	Animals and Other	Golden
			Business, Technology, & the Work Force	
Hannah Rost	Senator	2	Business, Technology, & the Work Force	RCS
			Business, Technology, & the Work Force	
Irina Amouzou	Senator	2	Business, Technology, & the Work Force	Gateway
Jamie Elliott	Senator	1	Animals and Other	Strasburg
			Business, Technology, & the Work Force	
Jesus Tavaréz	Senator	2	Business, Technology, & the Work Force	Gateway
Kate Woodward	Senator	3	Health Human Services	RCS
Khalil Flowers	Senator	1	Animals and Other	Gateway
Linda Hussein	Senator	1	Animals and Other	Fairview
			Business, Technology, & the Work Force	
Lucy Preston	Senator	2	Business, Technology, & the Work Force	Lakewood
Maheshwari Nikaash	Senator	3	Health Human Services	Fairview
Maria McMillan	Senator	1	Animals and Other	Fairview
			Business, Technology, & the Work Force	
Marie Hladisova	Senator	2	Business, Technology, & the Work Force	Fairview
	Senate			
Mary McCarthy	Clerk	N/A	N/A	Strasburg
Maxim Kokoshinskiy	Senator	3	Health Human Services	Fairview
Randy Whited	Senator	1	Animals and Other	Gateway
			Business, Technology, & the Work Force	
Ryan Applebee	Senator	2	Business, Technology, & the Work Force	RCS
Samual Mitchell	Senator	3	Health Human Services	PWHS
Sara Dickens	Senator	1	Animals and Other	RCS
			Business, Technology, & the Work Force	
Sloan Dando	Senator	2	Business, Technology, & the Work Force	RCS
			Business, Technology, & the Work Force	
Thomas O'Connor	Senator	2	Business, Technology, & the Work Force	PWHS
Vadim Mathys	Senator	3	Health Human Services	Fairview
Victoria Cordova Estrada	Senator	3	Health Human Services	Gateway

## JUDICIAL BRANCH

Judicial	Role	School
Alex Torales	Justice	Gateway
Allison Stewart	Attorney	Fairview
Ayla Whitaker	Justice	RCS
Breauna Espinal	Attorney	Gateway
Brittney Torres Lopez	Attorney	Gateway
Claire Davis	Attorney	PWHS
Collin Smith	Justice	RCS
Daiquan Hill	Attorney	Gateway
Denis Espinoza	Attorney Attorney	Gateway
Eva VanDeList	General	Windsor
Gaige Graham	Chief Justice	PWHS
Godwin Amouzou	Attorney	Gateway
Kaylee Coffman	Justice	Golden
Kelly Hernandez	Justice	PWHS
Lauren Studdard	Attorney	TRHS
Logan Jones	Attorney	RCS
Madeline Derting	Justice	PWHS
Olympia Salazar	Attorney	Gateway
Omni Dayan	Attorney	Fairview
Sheridan Prince	Attorney	Gateway
Sunny Hu	Attorney	Fairview
Trentyn Wilson	Attorney	PWHS
Usmon Zazi	Attorney	Gateway
Valeria Antillon Pando	Attorney	Gateway
Valeria Banos Vazquez	Attorney	Gateway
Zavien Wadsworth	Attorney	Gateway

## LOBBYISTS

Lobbyists	Role	Committees	School
Abrill Torales	Lobbyist	Senate 1- Animals and Other	Gateway
Amya Hickey	Lobbyist	House 4- Education	Gateway
Angel Valdez	Lobbyist	Senate 3- Health Human Services	Gateway
Bethany Simpkins	Lobbyist	House 1- Labor,Energy, and Environment	Strasburg
Brian Herrera	Lobbyist	Senate 2- Business, Technology, and Work Force	Gateway
Celia Amador	Lobbyist	House 1- Labor,Energy, and Environment	Gateway
Claudyne Morales	Lobbyist	House 3- Social Human Services	Gateway

Dakota Williams	Lobbyist	House 4- Education	Hinkley
Deyanira Mendoza	Lobbyist Head	Senate 3- Health Human Services	Gateway
Edward Fantauzzo	Lobbyist	House 2- Safety Human Services	RCS
Ella Hummels	Lobbyist	House 1- Labor,Energy, and Environment	Golden
Erika Leon	Lobbyist	Senate 2- Business, Technology, and Work Force	Gateway
Henok Sebhatu	Lobbyist	Senate 2- Business, Technology, and Work Force	Gateway
Jazmin Vargas	Lobbyist	House 4- Education	Gateway
Jerzey Hickson	Lobbyist	House 2- Safety Human Services	Strasburg
Jose Flores Morales	Lobbyist	House 1- Labor,Energy, and Environment	Gateway
Kara Mendez	Lobbyist	House 1- Labor,Energy, and Environment	Gateway
Kawena Johnson	Lobbyist	House 4- Education	Gateway
Keveontay Mock	Lobbyist	House 3- Social Human Services	Gateway
Kevin Hernandez	Lobbyist	House 2- Safety Human Services	PWHS
Luke Casseday	Lobbyist	Senate 2- Business, Technology, and Work Force	RCS
Melina Harris	Lobbyist	Senate 3- Health Human Services	Hinkley
Monica Campos Torres	Lobbyist	House 3- Social Human Services	Gateway
Morgan Whelchel	Lobbyist	House 2- Safety Human Services	RCS
Rachal Nguyen	Lobbyist	Senate 1- Animals and Other	Gateway
Rachelle Brozek	Lobbyist	House 2- Safety Human Services	Gateway
Sabrina Hernandez	Lobbyist	House 3- Social Human Services	Gateway
Semhar Sebhatu	Lobbyist	Senate 1- Animals and Other	Gateway
Shannon Dimarino	Lobbyist	Senate 1- Animals and Other	Gateway
Treycen Eckman	Lobbyist	House 4- Education	RCS

## MEDIA DELEGATES

### Media

Adaline Lang

Ahmad Nawid

Aminda Capp

Ashley Hatch

Ashlyn Davis

Ashtyn Austin

Brayden Bride

Brittany DeRosier

Caleb Perez

Cenon Caramanzana

Darian Macias

Giselle De Haro

### School

Gateway

Gateway

TRHS

PWHS

RCS

PWHS

Strasburg

TRHS

Strasburg

PWHS

Gateway

Gateway

Gitanjali Rao		STEM
Jenna Heckman		TRHS
Jimena Becerra		Gateway
Jordan Pennington	Editor in Chief	AOA
Katie Burnette		PWHS
Melissa Santiago		Gateway
Pieter Sahertian		Gateway
Rose Ponce		PWHS
Saden Brooks		Gateway
Shierinna Walker		Gateway
Sierra Snyder		RCS
Valeria Aguirre		Gateway
Yodit Alemayehu		Gateway
Zachariah Shelest		Bennett

## PAGES

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Abigail Burnette	PWHS
Alana Kihn	Fairview
Alaric Hoebel	Centaurus
Ashley Wilson	RCS
Brook Strode	Gateway
Canyon Jarbo	MPHS
Cooper Smith	RCS
Elizabeth Woo	Fairview
Emerson Langer	RCS
Emma Jackson	RCS
Hope Brown	RCS
Jonathan Siefken	MPHS
Krista Conrad	MPHS
Kylee Brammer	MPHS
Lindsey Hughes	Fairview
Lucas Jacquot	RCS
Nathan Davis	Centaurus
Xotchil Olagve	Gateway

## **JUDICIAL REVIEW SUBMISSION PROCESS**

Judicial Review is the doctrine under which legislative and/or executive actions are subject to review, and possible invalidation, by the judiciary. A specific court with judicial review power may annul the acts of the state when it finds them incompatible with a higher authority, such as the terms of a written constitution. Judicial review is an example of check and balances in a modern governmental system where the judiciary checks the other branches of government.

Prior to pre-legislative conference, youth attorneys and other delegates are encouraged to look over legislation in the bill book to find bills that can be used for judicial review. For the sake of Youth in Government, bills do not have to be passed in the chambers to be subject to Judicial Review. After a delegate finds a bill they believe is un-constitutional, they should fill out the "Judicial Review Writ of Certiorari."

A bill that is suitable for judicial review should have a question of constitutionality. The bill can either be in conflict with the Colorado Constitution or the United State Constitution. For example, a bill that restricts a group's ability to protest could be looked at under judicial review because the groups 1st amendment right to speech or assembly might be violated if the bill becomes law.

The Judicial Review assignments will be assigned by the Attorney General. Not all bills submitted will be heard. You will be asked to present your review to an attorney and it is recommended that you select lobbyists to speak as expert witnesses during the hearings. However, just because the court finds a bill unconstitutional, does not mean it is unable to pass in both chambers and be signed by the Governor.

### **JUDICIAL REVIEW STEPS**

1. Read through 2017 Colorado Youth in Government Bill Book
2. Identify bill(s) that may be unconstitutional
3. Submit Judicial Review Writ of Certiorari Form to an Attorney representative (see back)
4. The Attorney General will assign Attorneys to the review and submit to the Justices
5. The 2017 Chief Justice and Associate Justices will review submissions and decide which cases to hear.
6. Judicial Review hearings will be announced on the second day of General Assembly
7. Attorneys will formally argue their Judicial Review Case on day two and three of the conference.
8. Decisions on Judicial Review will not be announced until the end of each day.

## JUDICIAL REVIEW WRIT OF CERTIORARI

Attorney: \_\_\_\_\_ Delegation: \_\_\_\_\_

Chamber/Bill #: \_\_\_\_\_ Author: \_\_\_\_\_

Bill Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Constitutional Issues (Why should this be reviewed? What is possibly un-constitutional?):

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Appellant(Petitioner) Argument (Give a few sentences of how the appellant would argue this case): \_\_\_\_\_

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Appellee (Respondent) Argument (Give a few sentences of how the appellee would argue this case):

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## TABLE OF BILLS

<b>COMMITTEE</b>	<b>BILL TITLE</b>	<b>AUTHOR</b>
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**HOUSE COMMITTEE ONE  
LABOR, ENERGY, and ENVIRONMENT**



YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 1-101

Sponsored By: Ryan Applebee, Resurrection Christian School

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: BAN THE CREATION OF NEW FRACKING SIGHTS IN LOCATIONS LESS THAN FIVE MILE FROM RESIDENTIAL LOCATIONS.

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions Fracking Sights will be defined as any and all oil or natural gas (2)drilling wells currently using hydraulic drilling techniques. Residential locations shall be (3)defined as any location used for primarily living as opposed to industrial and (4)commercial locations. Creation refers to the establishment of any new and re- (5)establishment of old fracking sight which have been deconstructed for any amount of (6)time. Inactive will be defined as any sight that has not partaken in active drilling within (7)a time frame of one week (168 hours).

Section 2. Purpose Fracking sights are responsible for disruption of the lives of those (2)residing near them. Home life has become plagued by the unwarranted noises, shakes, (3)and over all fear associated with Fracking Sights.

Section 3. Provisions All fracking sights, at the time of construction approval, must be (2)located a minimum of five miles (26,400 feet) away from any residential location with (3)respect to the drilling well itself. Any Fracking sight currently established under these (4)regulations will be granted protection from persecution and relocation on the arrival of (5)new and upcoming residential locations. All currently operating or approved sights shall (6)be grandfathered into the outreaching immunity upon passing this bill. Any and all (7)Fracking sights considered active shall be protected regardless of residential (8)encroachment; however, any sight that remains inactive for more than seven days will (9)be subject to reevaluation. All fracking sights are subject to reevaluation every five (10)years. Any Fracking sight wishing to operate within the minimum of five miles must (11)gain a unamused vote of approval from all residential households residing within the (12)five miles radius.

Section 4. Penalty Clause Fracking sights which do not meet the specifications of this (2)bill will be given a two week notice to be declared inactive. Any sight which remains

(3)active preceding these two weeks (336 Hours) will be charged with a class 5 felony,  
(4)immediate deactivation and confiscation of the sight and all equipment until further  
(5)notice, and a fine of \$100,000.00 for every 24 hours active after the two week notice  
(6)expiration.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill will become full effective exactly one calendar  
(2)year after the Governor's signing it.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines  
(2) and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and  
(3) safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. \_1-102\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Valeria Banos, Brittney Torres, Gateway High School, M.W

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: HAVE THE STATE OF COLORADO ENFORCE A CARBON TAX ON ALL  
BUSINESSES AND COMPANIES THAT EMIT CARBON DIOXIDE

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: Carbon Tax: A tax imposed on the carbon quantity of fuels. Carbon  
(2)Dioxide: A gas present in air produced by the burning of carbon and is absorbed by plants  
(3)during Photosynthesis. Carbon: A nonmetallic and tetravalent chemical element that is able to  
(4)form covalent chemical bonds due to its four electrons. Mostly found in all hydrocarbon fuels  
(5)(coal, petroleum, and natural gas). Ton: Metric unit of mass equivalent to 1,000 kilograms  
(6)(2,204.6 pounds). Carbon Footprint: Total set of greenhouse gas emissions. Is calculated by  
(7)estimates of total emissions.

Section 2. Purpose: The purpose of this Carbon Tax would be to stop companies from using  
(2)fossil fuels in order to slow down the effects of Climate Change which will overall improve  
(3)well-being of the environment, and health of Colorado citizens.

Section 3. Provisions: This tax would charge companies a rate of \$15.15 per ton of carbon  
(2)dioxide emissions (including gasoline, diesel fuel, jet fuel, natural gas, and coal). Carbon  
(3)dioxide emissions will be calculated using the Carbon Footprint. All companies will be  
(4)required to pay the carbon tax. Failing in doing so will result in the penalty clause.

Section 4. Penalty Cause: Failing to pay the tax will result in the company paying a \$100 fine  
(2)and an added increase of \$15.00 to their \$15.15 per ton of CO2 emission charge for a total  
(3)of \$30.15 per ton of carbon dioxide emissions.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: Two million dollars will be appropriated to support  
(2)enforcement.

Section 6. Enactment Clause: The tax will go in effect six months after the passage of the bill.

Section 7. Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and  
(2)declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of the public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 1-103 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Alex Torales Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: CONTROL COLORADO'S POPULATION GROWTH

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: Slow down: decrease or minimize. Population: Group or amount of (2)people in an area. Fee: Extra amount charged for products. Higher percentage: Rate, number, (3)or amount added. Penalties: Punishment for breaking a law, or rule. Charges: Accused of (4)something, especially an offense under law. Minor: someone under the legal age. (5)Misdemeanor: A wrongdoing that has slight punishment. Felony: A crime that has (6)punishment of imprisonment.

Section 2. Purpose The purpose is to create a way to either slow down the population or to find a (2)way to stop the growth of our great state and to have a good enough reason to be moving into (3)our state.

Section 3. Provisions What we want is when they buy certain things we would like to charge (2)them a higher fee due to coming from out of state. By this we would charge them a higher (3)percentage for items that require a permit (Marijuana for example).

Section 4. Penalty Clause Our bill follows the same penalties or charges as getting caught with (2)marijuana either as a minor and or w/o a license. If you get caught with 2-12 oz. of marijuana, (3)it counts as a misdemeanor. While being caught with 12 oz. or more would be a felony.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause This bill would not cause Colorado to pay for anything (2)because we would not be buying anything. In fact we would be making money off of this bill (3)since we are having people who do not live in Colorado to pay more for things that they buy.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill will become effective upon the Governor's signature.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines (2)and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public.



YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program

Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 1-104

Sponsored By: Maya Hladisova (Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: ESTABLISH A DISPOSABLE BAG FEE

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions: As used in this act, the following definitions shall apply: Disposable Bag:  
(2) a bag that is not designed to be repeatedly used. The disposable bags referred to in this  
(3) context do not include bags used by customers in store to contain frozen food, flowers, or  
(4) package produce such as fruits or vegetables. Reusable Bag: Has a minimum lifetime  
of 80 (5) uses and has the capability of carrying at least 18 pounds. Fee: 20 cents required to be  
paid by (6) anyone who wishes to take a disposable bag from a store.

Section 2. Purpose: To reduce the amount of disposable bag pollution in Colorado in order to  
(2) improve public health and environmental.

Section 3. Provisions: This bill will create a lower demand for disposable bags and will  
(2) encourage citizens to use reusable bags thereby reducing the environmental impacts  
caused (3) by disposable bags.

Section 4: Penalty: A fine of \$500 will be imposed for the second conviction. Any further  
(2) violations will be prosecuted at the discretion of the judicial system.

Section 5: Appropriations: The money collected from the fee will be used to fund programs  
(2) educating students in elementary schools about environmentally friendly practices such as  
(3) recycling or reducing waste.

Section 6: Enactment Clause: This bill shall become law on January 1st, 2019 if voted for by the  
(2) taxpayers of Colorado on the 2018 ballot.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and  
(2) declares that this ACT is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. 1-105

Sponsored By: Qing Hu (Hendrikson and Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: EXPAND THE GROSS RESERVOIR DAM

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions: Dam - a barrier constructed to hold back water and raise its level, the  
(2) resulting reservoir being used in the generation of electricity or as a water supply.  
(3) Hydropower - electricity produced by water  
(4) Summer - the warmest season in the northern hemisphere from June to August  
(5) project - (in this context) is used to refer to the expansion of the Gross Reservoir Dam.

Section 2. Purpose: This bill allow for the expansion of the Gross Reservoir Dam in Boulder  
(2) Colorado.

Section 3. Provisions: This bill will allow for the expansion of the Gross Reservoir Dam on  
(2) Gross Reservoir in Boulder, Colorado. The dam will allow for more hydropower to be  
(3) produced. Hydropower is the most environmental friendly source of electric power because it  
(4) is renewable. Due to the amount of concern regarding fossil fuels, hydropower is a much  
(5) more environmental friendly alternative. Therefore, the dam on the Gross Reservoir should  
(6) be expanded in order to use the dam to be used for hydropower. There should also be ways  
(7) that citizens may pitch in to support the expansion project. Some examples of these methods  
  
(8) are having booths at Downtown Boulder that sell merchandise to show one's support for the  
(9) project and allowing certain restaurants and stores in Boulder to participate in a program  
(10) where 5% of the revenue goes towards supporting the project, so customers who go to these  
(11) locations may support the project.

Section 4: Penalty: There is no penalty clause for this bill.

Section 5: Appropriations: \$700 million will be taken from the Colorado State Fund to pay for  
(2) the expenses of the dam expansion along with money raised by citizens of Boulder, Colorado  
(3) through fundraising and 5% of revenue from stores and restaurants that participate in the  
(4) Dam Expansion Support program

Section 6: Enactment Clause: The payment for the expansion will be activated immediately after (2) the governor signs the bill. Plans for the expansion must begin by January 31, 2018. The real (3) construction for the dam expansion must begin by summer of 2018.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2) declares that this ACT is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. 1-106 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Cody Wilson, Strasburg High School, BB

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: INCREASE FUNDING FOR ROADWAY REPAIR

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions Roadway- Any area designated with a street name, along which vehicles  
(2) travel and the state of Colorado may enforce traffic laws.  
(3) Repair – restoring to a condition which is close to or better than new.

Section 2. Purpose This bill is necessary to improve the livelihood and general wellbeing  
(2) of the citizens of Colorado. Further it will help to decrease the number of accidents as well as  
(3) wear and tear on vehicles in the state. Thereby benefitting all who drive on our roadways.  
(4) This infrastructure will also help to support Colorado’s growing population. It will also  
(5) improve the economy by saving drivers the costs of repairing their cars due to driving on  
(6) roads which are in need of repair.

Section 3. Provisions All this bill should do is produce more funding for CDOT’s current road  
(2) repair services.

Section 4. Penalty Clause There is no penalty clause for this bill.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause The appropriations for this bill will be drawn from a special tax  
(2) a. This will be a .25% increase in all sales tax in the state  
(3) b. These funds are to be appropriated to CDOT’s road repair division.

Section 6. Enactment Clause As this bill requires a tax increase in will become effective after be  
(2) passed by a vote of the people.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and  
(2) declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. \_1-107\_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Olympia G. Salazar ,Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: MAKE COLORADO A SANCTUARY STATE

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions Sanctuary State - A state where the state's law enforcement and its  
(2)resources will not be used to aid the federal government in immigration policies, Sanctuary –  
(3)safety and refuge

Section 2. Purpose The purpose of this bill is to give sanctuary to those who are  
(2)undocumented being persecuted by the federal government.

Section 3. Provisions No state or local law enforcement officer will assist the federal  
(2)government in immigration laws. An officer is not allowed to ask for a person's immigration  
(3)status.

Section 4. Penalty Clause Any state law enforcement officer caught not abiding by these  
(2)rules will be fined a fine of \$2,000 that will go Colorado nonprofits that are centered with  
(3)helping immigrants and it will be reported to their director. A constant offense will result in  
(4)the officer being put on leave without pay for a week.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause No money is needed to enact or enforce this legislation.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill will be enacted January 1st after the signature of the  
(2)governor.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines (2)  
(2)and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and (3)  
safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 1-108 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: T'Phani Perley-Schiele and Eglo Balderrama, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: REGULATE THE USAGE OF TOBACCO AROUND CHILDREN

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Definitions: Under-Age Youth: Adolescents under the age of 18, not including 18 year olds.  
(2)Teens- Adolescents aged 13-17. Cigarettes: Product made of or containing tobacco. Zig Zags:  
(3)Product that can be used to smoke marijuana containing tobacco. Cigarillos: Product that can  
(4)be used to smoke marijuana containing tobacco.

Purpose: This bill's purpose is to make smoking tobacco around Under Age Youth illegal. Any  
(2)form of tobacco that can create smoke and be considered second hand smoke (Cigarettes, Zig  
(3)Zags, & Cigarillos) will be restricted from contact of all Underage Youth.

Provisions: With this bill in place, the act of smoking around children will be punishable by  
(2)law. The bill will be put on Colorado's list of laws and be considered a criminal offence.  
(3)Adults who are allowed by law to smoke tobacco will be held responsible under a court of law

Penalty Clause: Violation of this law will be considered a misdemeanor. Depending on the  
(2)child's age, the weight of the punishment will be decided. Around a child newborn to 7, the  
(3)maximum penalty is a month of imprisonment, and the minimum punishment is a \$250 fine.  
(4)Around children aged 8 to 12 there will be a fine of a minimum of \$250, and 13-17 a  
(5)minimum fine of \$100 dollars.

Appropriations Clause: This bill requires no funding.

Enactment Clause: This bill will be enacted on January 1st, of the coming year after the  
(2)signature of the governor.

Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines (2) and declares  
(2)that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and (3) safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program

Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 1-109 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: [Alex Willebrand, Trevor Ferreira, Jake Shin] (Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: REQUIRE ALL FORMS OF WASTE MANAGEMENT IN PUBLIC FACILITIES

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: As used in this act, the following definitions apply:

- (1) All Forms of Waste Management - The forms of removing waste limited to recycling, compost, and landfill
- (2) Public Facilities - Facilities that are government funded or provide commercial goods/services
- (3) Government Funded Facilities - Any facility that is payed for by the government
- (4) Commercial Facilities - Any facility that is used for commercial use and supplying goods to the general public
- (5) Proper Disposal of Waste - Disposing of waste by getting all of the waste inside the waste disposal bins as well as putting the forms of waste in their corresponding bins which will be explained in employee training

Section 2. Purpose: This bill is necessary to preserve our state by disposing of the waste that we create every day in a smarter way.

- (1) Requiring the management of waste will better the wellbeing of our state.
- (2) With more trash being recycled and composted, our landfills will not fill up as fast, leaving us more land to grow and expand on.
- (3) To set an example for the rest of the world on a way to solve a global issue.
- (4) To reduce the amount of effort and money waste disposal facilities put into the sorting of waste due to improper disposal, allowing us to use it to better the state
- (5) To decrease the funding required to support these facilities to allow for the use of said money in other areas.

Section 3. Provisions: This bill is designed to maintain the wellbeing of our environment through waste management by:

- (1) requiring all forms of waste management in public facilities
- (2) requiring proper disposal of waste in their corresponding disposal bins
- (3) reducing the unneeded waste being introduced into our landfills

Section 4. Penalty Clause: Any company not complying with the installation of all forms of waste management as well as any person over the age of 18 found practicing improper waste disposal will

- (1) Be fined the littering charge (500 dollars for improper disposal) and receive 3% interest every misdemeanor associated with said improper disposal
- (2) Be fined 10,000 dollars for each week a facility is overdue on their installation

Section 5. Appropriation Clause: The facilities affected by this bill will be required to appropriate the funding necessary to install all forms of waste management. The EPA will allocate 20 million dollars yearly to the Waste Management of Colorado and will be used solely to:

- (1) Fund the transportation of waste to said waste center
- (2) Educate the employees of a public facility on how to conduct proper waste management

Section 6. Enactment Clause: This bill will take effect six months after the signature of the governor of Colorado, and all requirements specified by this bill will be enacted two months after the signing of the bill by the governor.

Section 7. Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2) declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.



**HOUSE COMMITTEE TWO  
SAFETY HUMAN SERVICES**



YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 2-201

Sponsored By: Cynthia Lin, Alicia Wu (Hendrikson and Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO BAN THE CIVILIAN USE AND OWNERSHIP OF ALL ASSAULT RIFLES IN THE STATE OF COLORADO.

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions: As used in this act, the following definitions shall apply: Civilian: a (2)private citizen not in the police force or the army, Ownership: possession of a gun on any (3)property or person (encompassing illegal or legal possession prior to this act), and Assault (4)rifle: semiautomatic firearms with a large magazine of ammunition that are designed and (5)configured for rapid fire and combat use.

Section 2. Purpose: Assault rifles are dangerous weapons that civilians do not need to use. (2)They have numerous tragedies throughout the US, including the most recent shootings in Las (3)Vegas and Texas, and are much more a danger to citizens than they are a protection.

Section 3. Provisions: People who already own assault rifles will be required to turn them into (2)the police. They will be fully reimbursed by the state. Furthermore, all further sales of assault (3)rifles will be banned.

Section 4: Penalty: Anyone found in possession of an assault rifle after March 21, 2018 will be (2)fined the sum of \$1,000, and the weapon will be confiscated. If it was an illegally owned (3)weapon, meaning there was no official paperwork prior to the enactment of this act, violators (4)must pay the penalty of this act as well as penalties for illegally owned arms as established in (5)prior laws. Companies that continue to sell assault rifles will be fined a sum of \$500,000 (6)dollars, and a complete list of buyers of the assault rifles sold shall be obtained from them as (7)well.

Section 5: Appropriations: The reimbursements of the rifles will be paid by existing tax money (2)and by the fines that are collected as a result of this act.

Section 6: Enactment Clause: Assault rifles that are currently owned by citizens will be called for (2)on January 1, 2018, and they will have until March 1, 2018 to turn in their assault rifles before (3) fines are enforced. Assault rifles that are illegally owned prior to this act must also be turned (4)in, and the resulting fine must be paid without any reimbursement of the rifle. Companies will (5)be required to stop their sale of assault rifles on January 1, 2018.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2)declares that this ACT is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government  
Program Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 2-202

Sponsored by: Sam Mitchell, Pueblo West High School, SS

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ACT TO: IMPLEMENT UNIVERSAL BACKGROUND CHECKS ON ALL GUN  
SALES/TRANSFERS OF OWNERSHIP IN COLORADO**

BE IT ENACTED BY THE 2017 YMCA MODEL LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF  
COLORADO

**SECTION 1.** Definitions: As used in this act, the following terms are defined:

- (2) Universal background check – background checks performed through the National
- (3) Instant Criminal Background Check System before a private gun sale/transfer
- (4) Gun sale – legal firearm transaction through a gun dealer or private seller
- (5) Gun transfer – transfer of firearm ownership, private or public

**SECTION 2.** Purpose: The implementation of a universal background check system in

- (2) the state of Colorado would lead to increased public safety by making it more
- (3) difficult for criminals to receive firearms from private sellers.

**SECTION 3.** Provisions: Any person receiving ownership of a gun through a private

- (2) sale/transfer must undergo and pass a background check before the sale/transfer
- (3) can be completed.
- (4) The Colorado Federal Bureau of Investigation and the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco,
- (5) Firearms, and Explosives will both have jurisdiction over the enforcement of the bill, (6) as well as be responsible for the investigation of possible infractions of the bill.

**SECTION 4.** Penalty Clause: No penalty clause necessary.

**SECTION 5.** Appropriations: No additional funding would be necessary for this bill's

- (2) implementation.

**SECTION 6.** Enactment Clause: This bill will become effective one month after

- (2) receiving the signature of the Governor.

**SECTION 7.** Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines,  
and

- (2) declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. \_\_2-203\_\_

Sponsored By: Melisa Santiago, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: CONTROL GUNS IN COLORADO

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: Gun Control- The set of laws or policies that regulate the manufacture, (2)sale, transfer, possession, modification, or use of firearms by civilians.

Section 2. Purpose: This bill is necessary because additional gun control laws would reduce gun (2)deaths. High-capacity magazines should be banned because they too often turn murder into (3)mass murder. More gun control laws are needed to protect women from domestic abusers and (4)stalkers. Countries with restrictive gun control laws have lower gun homicide and suicide (5)rates. Armed civilians are unlikely to stop crimes and are more likely to make dangerous (6)situations, including mass shootings, more deadly.

Section 3. Provisions: There should be a state gun registry in place for safety. No one should be (2)allowed to buy any form of assault rifle. The 'gun-show' loophole should be closed. The (3)background check system in Colorado should be streamlined.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: All gun purchases or changes in ownership should undergo strict (2)background check. Anyone who illegally possess a banned weapon, or violates the law will (3)have that weapon seized and receive a five hundred dollar fine for a first offence, community (4)service for a second offence, and three months in prison for a third offence.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: This bill will funded by an additional tax of \$2.50 per resident (2)per year which will account for additional needs due to population growth.

Section 6. Enactment Clause: This bill will become effective upon the Governor's signing it.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2)declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program

Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 2-204

Sponsored By: [Elizabeth Woo] (Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: MANDATE ALL SENIORS TO RETAKE A DRIVING TEST EVERY FIVE YEARS AFTER TURNING 65

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions: A “senior” is any person over the age of 65. A “driver’s license” is license that has been issued by the state, to an individual, to operate any motor vehicle on highways.

Section 2. Purpose: A bill to mandate all seniors to retake a driving test every five years after turning 65 in order to keep his/her driver’s license.

Section 3. Provisions: Each driving test is to be administered by a licensed official.

Section 4: Penalty: If the senior does not pass his/her driving test, the driver’s license will be revoked until he/she passes the test. Violation of this bill will be a 50 dollar fine.

Section 5: Appropriations: This bill will be enforced by the Secretary of State.

Section 6: Enactment Clause: This bill will go into effect two months after passage.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2) declares that this ACT is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. 2-205

Sponsored By: Alison Stewart and Maria McMillan (Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: REQUIRE ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO LEARN CERTAIN  
SIGNS IN AMERICAN SIGN LANGUAGE

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions: As used in this act, the following definitions shall apply:

- (2) American Sign Language (ASL): a sign language for the deaf and hard of hearing in which
- (3) meaning is conveyed by a system of articulated hand gestures and their placement relative to
- (4) the upper body
- (5) Law Enforcement Officer: a police officer, state trooper, or any government employee who is
- (6) responsible for the prevention, investigation, apprehension, or detention of individuals
- (7) suspected or convicted of offenses against the criminal laws, including an employee engaged
- (8) in this activity who is transferred to a supervisory or administrative position.
- (9) Hard of Hearing: an individual who has a mild-to-moderate hearing loss who may
- (10) communicate through sign language, spoken language, or both.
- (11) Deaf: lacking the power of hearing or having impaired hearing.
- (12) Sign: a system of hand gestures for communication.

Section 2. Purpose: The intent of this law is to help law enforcement officers, who may need to

- (2) attempt to converse with a deaf ASL-user before the arrival of a qualified sign language
- (3) interpreter. Under the best of circumstances, a considerable amount of time passes before an
- (4) interpreter arrives at the scene of an emergency, time during which a responding law
- (5) enforcement officer or other first responder might be able to have a rudimentary exchange of
- (6) information with a deaf ASL user if they could understand some basic signs.

Section 3. Provisions: This law will require all law enforcement officers in the state of Colorado

(2) to learn the following American Sign Language signs:

- 1. You are under arrest
- 2. Stop
- 3. Wait
- 4. License and Registration
- 5. Drugs
- 6. Smoking
- 7. Drinking
- 8. Help



- 9. Speeding
- 10. Calm down
- 11. Are you deaf or hard of hearing?
- 12. Do you need a notepad or interpreter?

(3) Law enforcement officers will participate in a free, online, hour long course, ending with a  
(4) test, where they will learn the above signs as part of their training. Upon finishing the course,  
(5) law enforcement officers will be required to retake the test taken at the end of the course  
(6) every two years, to ensure that they still retain the correct signs from the training. Law  
(7) enforcement officers that have completed the training process before the enactment date will  
(8) have until exactly two months after the enactment date to complete the necessary training and  
(9) testing before being penalized.

Section 4: Penalty: The penalty for officers who refuse to comply with this learning is a  
(2) temporary suspension until they agree to participate in the learning of these signs.

Section 5: Appropriations: The online course, which is free for law enforcement officers, will be  
(2) created and administered by the Colorado Department of Justice. Any and all costs associated  
(3) with the creation and administration of the online course will be paid for using money from  
(4) marijuana taxes.

Section 6: Enactment Clause: This law will be enacted on the first of January, 2018. Wherein the  
(2) course shall be presented to all current law enforcement officers by exactly two months after  
(3) the enactment date. From then on, the course will be taught to all officers in training, as part  
(4) of their training.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and  
(2) declares that this ACT is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 2-206 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Saul Rosas, Jabori Sessions, Gateway High School, MW \_\_\_\_\_

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: BASE THE LAWS OF COLORADO ON THE RULES OF THE NEW WORLD ORDER

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: The way of the New World Order is to follow the traditions and the (1)beliefs of government control. And the path of the future is in our children. Which will (2)ultimately bring peace within our state.

Section 2. Purpose: The purpose of the bill is to bring a future of peace for our children.

Section 3. Provisions: To ensure that the process is carried out, a Constitutional revision will be (1)initiated. During this period of turmoil the children of the state will be secured in an (2)underground hideout/ bunker where they will receive an education. This will secure a more (3)stable and rejuvenated society.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: Anyone who opposes this reform will asked to leave the state.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: This bill does not require any funds.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill will be enacted on January 1, 2018

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines (2) (1)and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and (3) safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 2-207 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Shelle Brozek and Giselle De Haro, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: MAKE COLORADO CITIZENS RETAKE DRIVER'S TEST EVERY 15 YEARS

Section 1. Definitions: Citizen- anybody who lives in Colorado full time, Retake- take again,  
(2) Driver's Test- a procedure designed to test a person's ability to drive a motor vehicle

Section 2. Purpose: The purpose of this bill is to ensure safety on roads and to keep citizens  
(2) up to date with their driving skills.

Section 3. Provisions: After the span of 15 years from the day oneself first received their  
(2) driver's licence, it is expected to retake the driver's test. After the first retake is finished,  
(3) another test will be issued 15 years after and so on. Before the expected date of the test, one  
(4) will receive a letter by the mail six months beforehand. This letter will serve as a notice for  
(5) their appointment and a reminder to prepare for the test.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: If citizens don't retake the driving test, they can get their driver's  
(2) license evicted. If the test is not passed, they can't get their license until they do.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: Money is needed to take the test.  
(4) a. This will cost approximately three million dollars annually.  
(5) b. The money will come from the Colorado Department of Transportation  
(6) c. The money will come from the Colorado Department of Transportation.  
(7) If the appropriations of money is coming from receipts of a special tax or fee or other  
(8) earmarked source of revenue, specify:  
(9) a. The fees, special tax or other revenue source  
(10) b. The agency or fund to which the receipts are appropriated.

Section 6. Enactment Clause: This bill will become effective upon the Governor's signing it.

Section 7. Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines  
(2) and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. 2-208 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Estrella Soto and Valeria Aguirre, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: ESTABLISH VOTING POLLS THAT ARE EQUITABLE AMONG  
PRECINCTS

Be it enacted by the 2016 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: Polling location: a place where citizens go to vote for an election.  
(2) Establish: set up (an organization, system, or set of rules) on a firm or permanent basis.  
(3) Equitable: fair and impartial. Precincts: district of a city or town

Section 2. Purpose: The purpose of this bill is to ensure equitable polling stations in all  
(2) precincts across the state, regardless of their location and not prioritize socioeconomic status.  
(3) This ensures that all communities have equal opportunities to participate in local and federal  
(4) elections.

Section 3. Provisions: Polling stations should be distributed equitably within precincts around  
(2) the state. This would allow people to have an opportunity to vote in their local and federal  
(3) elections. County election officials will be tasked with implement equitable polling locations,  
(4) with the oversight of the Colorado Department of Elections and Colorado Civil Rights  
(5) Commission. Counties will have to submit proposals to the state six months ahead of an  
(6) election for assessment.

Section 4. Penalty Clause Counties be punished with a fifty thousand dollar fine if they are  
(2) found to be out of compliance with their equitable polling location plan. If a county is in  
(3) violation more than once, the location of its polling locations will be determined by state  
(4) rather than local election officials.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: This bill will require ten million dollars for establishment and  
enforcement.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill will become effective 90 days after signature by the  
(2) Governor.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines  
(2) and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

**HOUSE COMMITTEE THREE  
SOCIAL HUMAN SERVICES**



YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. 3-301

Sponsored By: [Alexander Kokoshinskiy, Vadim Mathys, Linda Hussein] (Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: ALLOW FOR ATHLETES TO KNEEL DURING THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions:

- (1) As used in this act, the following definition will apply: Athlete - a person participating in a
- (2) sport (football, soccer, basketball, volleyball, etc.), Kneel - assume the position in which the
- (3) body is supported by a knee or the knees, National Anthem - the “Star Spangled Banner,” a
- (4) song played prior to competitive sporting events.

Section 2. Purpose: This bill is necessary to guarantee that athletic teams grant athletes the

- (2) freedom of expression without any sort of unnecessary penalization, and to prevent
- (3) sporting organizations from silencing those who deserve to be heard.

Section 3. Provisions: This bill is designed to change the law in which a Colorado resident, by

- (2) law, can have the option to kneel during the anthem if they so please, regardless of age,
- (3) event, or intent.

Section 4: Penalty: Any private or public organization or team that discourages players from

- (2) kneeling during the anthem or fires players that kneel during the anthem, will be fined
- (3) \$25,000, paid to the Colorado Department of Human Services. The money will be used to (4)
- enforce the bill and fund the movements and organizations that are supported by kneeling
- (5) athletes in Colorado.

Section 5: Appropriations: One hundred thousand dollars will be allocated to the Colorado

- (2) Department of Human Services, which will be used to conduct checks (the period during
- (3) which these checks will be carried out shall be determined by the Colorado Department of
- (4) Human Services). Any revenue generated by the penalties of this bill will also be used to
- (5) fund the aforementioned checks.

Section 6: Enactment Clause: This bill shall become a law on the first of January of the year

- (2) 2018 following its signing by the governor and all requirements of the bill will be enacted
- (3) once it is signed.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2) declares that this ACT is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.



YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 3-302 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Lachlan Patino Scott, Larry Blackshear, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: GRANT FINANCIAL AID ELIGIBILITY TO STUDENTS WHO QUALIFY FOR DACA IN THE STATE OF COLORADO.

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions Financial aid: Federal and/or state assistance offered to students to meet (2)their college expenses. DACA: Deferred Action For Childhood Arrivals; President Obama’s (3)executive action that allow certain undocumented immigrants to remain in the United States (4)legally.

Section 2. Purpose: To ensure that all students recognized by the government are entitled to the (2)same opportunities for aid as any other student pursuing post-secondary education. All (3)undocumented students that are recognized as legal residents by United States Citizenship and (4)Immigration Services, should be deemed equal opportunities in financing their college (5)education. According to a recent study done by the organization Think Progress, “The vast (6)majority—90.3 percent—of undocumented students had a household annual income below (7)\$50,000.” Furthermore, The College Board reported that “A moderate college budget for an (8)in-state public college averaged \$23,410, while a budget at a private college averaged (9)\$46,272.” Education is a basic human right that all students are entitled to and many are (10)unable to pay the rising prices of college, and financial aid is in place so students can receive (11)help in funding the expenses for college. Think Progress also states, “Undocumented (12)immigrants who make it to college face a host of financial and logistical barriers... they are (13)dramatically more likely to succeed if they were beneficiaries of President Obama’s (14)executive action program, according to a new Institute for Immigration, Globalization, and (15)Education study...Of the 5 to 10 percent that do enroll in college every year, few graduate (16)because of rising tuition rates and lack of financial support.” By not allowing undocumented (17)students eligibility for services such as financial aid, they are being denied help that they (18)need to get an education. Furthermore this bill is necessary because undocumented people (19)pay taxes to the government and according to The College Raptor, “The federal government (20)provided 69% of financial aid for the 2013-2014 academic year, making them the largest (21)source of financial aid funding.”

Section 3. Provisions The 2018-2019 FAFSA application includes an option for undocumented (2)students to verify their citizenship status as DACA recipients. Students who qualify for (3)DACA are able to fill out FAFSA applications and are eligible for scholarship opportunities (4)and grants from the state government. The intent of this bill is for all students pursuing post

(5)secondary education to have equal opportunities in receiving funding for their  
(6)education.(FAFSA -Free Application for Federal Student Aid )

Section 4. Penalty Clause There is no penalty clause for this bill.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause This bill does not require any new expenditures of money.  
(2)Financial aid derives from local governments, the federal government, colleges/ universities,  
(3)and private organizations/foundations.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill will become effective upon the Governor's signing it.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines (2)  
and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and (3) safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth & Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. 3-303 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: **Shae Swerdfeger and Jessica Granata, Pueblo West High School  
S.S.**

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ACT TO: ELIMINATE THE STATE TAX ON FEMININE PRODUCTS**

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: “Feminine products” are women's hygiene items including tampons,  
(2) sanitary napkins, and similar items.

Section 2. Purpose: To eliminate the 2.90% tax on feminine products in the state of  
(2) Colorado. Feminine products are a basic necessity and should not be taxed as luxury items.  
(3) Colorado law exempts a number of medically necessary items from taxation and feminine  
(4) products should be an addition to that list. This bill would make the products that fall under  
(5) this category exempt from state tax for the health and wellbeing of women.

Section 3. Provisions: Regulated by the Colorado Department of Revenue, all tax on  
(2) feminine products in retail establishments will be eliminated.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: No penalty necessary.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: No appropriations necessary.

Section 6. Enactment Clause: This bill will become effective 90 days after signature by the  
(2) Governor.

Section 7. Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines  
(2) and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 3-304 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Andrea Fuentes, Shierinna Walker, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: FREE REDUCED MEALS FOR EVERY STUDENT.

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: Reduced: To make smaller or less in amount, degree, size of a meal.  
(2) Free: Without cost or payment for a meal.

Section 2. Purpose: It is unfair to those students whom are charged for school meals based  
(2) on their family's financial stability. It maintains social equality and creates a balance between  
(3) all students since we are taught to treat each other equally.

Section 3. Provisions: This bill will provide for free or reduced meals for every single  
student in elementary, middle, or high school.

Section 4. Penalty Clause Colorado's school districts would lose part of the funding that the  
(2) state provides them if they fail to feed all of their students at free or reduced rates. The school  
(3) districts would be issued a warning for the first time that they refuse provided lower cost  
(4) meals, and penalized after that point.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause This will cost approximately ten million dollars per year  
(2) for every student at Colorado to get free or reduced meals.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill comes enacted in YMCA Youth and Government  
(2) 2017 90 days after being signed.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines  
(2) and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 3-305 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Randy Whited, Breana Espinal Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: CREATING GENDER NEUTRAL RESTROOMS IN PUBLIC SPACES

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions Gender neutral: suitable for, applicable to, or common to both female (2)and male genders. Public spaces: A public space is a social space that is generally open and (3)accessible to people. Ex: Restaurants, parks, malls, beaches, stores,etc. Equality: The state of (4)being equal, especially in status, rights, and opportunities.

Section 2. Purpose The purpose is to create equality in public spaces for the LGBTQ (2)community, also to make them feel more welcomed to use the restroom in public areas.

Section 3. Provisions For our bill we want to have gender neutral restrooms be accessible in (2)public spaces. For LGBTQ individuals will feel more welcomed in public and not feel judged (3)whether what restroom they were to use.

Section 4. Penalty Clause If a public place doesn't comply with this law then they will be (2)fined a fine of 500 for the first offense. For the second time it will be a fine of 1,000 and then (3)a fine of 1,500. If the place keeps getting it then they will have to go to court.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: Our bill requires funds regarding changing the signs on (2)the restrooms, putting certain products in other restrooms, or if the company needs to build a (3)new restroom. Anywhere from \$52.00 to \$6000. The fund will come from state tax revenue. (4)The agency or fund to which the money is to be allocated will be the Colorado Civil Rights (5)Commision.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill will become effective a year after signature by the (2)Governor.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines (2)and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. 3-306

Sponsored By: Lauren Studdard, ThunderRidge High School

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: REQUIRE PRISONERS TO COMPLETE A PROGRAM LEARNING BASIC INTERVIEW SKILLS AFTER A PRISON SENTENCE OF MORE THAN 365 DAYS

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions

- (1) Prison Sentence- confinement in prison as a punishment imposed on a person who has been found guilty of a crime
- (2) Parole- the release of a prisoner temporarily (for a special purpose) or permanently before the completion of a sentence, on the promise of good behavior

Section 2. Purpose This bill is necessary to allow people a chance at a new life. By

- (2) passing this bill, it will allow former inmates to more easily enter the workforce.
- (3) According to statistics, it will also reduce risk of homelessness after release. This
- (4) will also reduce the likelihood of recidivism, which has been linked to
- (5) unemployment in multiple studies. With a higher median income, it will reduce the
- (6) number of former inmates relying on illegal sources of income, as well as the
- (7) number of former inmates relying on family and friends for economic assistance.
- (8) This will also help boost Colorado's economy and a lower the unemployment
- (9) rate.

Section 3. Provisions This bill is designed to change the law on what courses must

- (2) be completed before inmates are released on parole or the completion of their
- (3) sentence. This will only effect inmates seeking parole after serving more than 365
- (4) days at time parole is granted, as well as inmates being released after serving a
- (5) sentence of more than 365 days. It will require inmates to take a course on
- (6) interview skills so they are able to more easily gain employment upon release. It
- (7) is important for this law to be reviewed for the first six years, and every five years
- (8) after that to evaluate the success of the law. This is necessary so the budget of
- (9) the Colorado Department of Corrections can be adjusted accordingly. All parts of
- (10) this law will be controlled by the newly created Department of Post Sentence
- (11) Employment, a sub department of the Department of Clinical and Correctional
- (12) Services.

Section 4. Penalty Clause Does not apply

Section 5. Appropriations Clause An additional one million dollars will be appointed

(2) to the Department of Clinical and Correctional Services per year. This money will  
(3) be allocated to the newly established Department of Post Sentence Employment,  
(4) dedicated to teaching the interview skills course. This money will be used to  
(5) provide eight course leaders, as well as the supplies needed for teaching the  
(6) course.

Section 6. Enactment Clause Funding for the bill will be activated immediately with  
(2) the signature of the governor, and all requirements of the bill will be enacted 6  
(3) months after that signature.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds,  
(2) determines and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public  
(3) health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. 3-307 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Khalil Flowers and Jasmine Baum, Gateway High School MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: REMOVE ANY AGE LIMIT FOR TRICK-OR-TREATING ON HALLOWEEN

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: Halloween: the night of October 31, the eve of All Saints' Day,  
(2)commonly celebrated by Children who dress in costume and solicit candy or other treats door-  
(3)to-door. Age Limit: The oldest or youngest age at which you are allowed under particular  
(4)regulations to do something. In some cases there is a minimum age limit. Remove: to take  
(5)away. Trick-Or Treating: children's custom of calling at houses at Halloween with the threat  
(6)of pranks if they are not given a small gift (often used as a greeting by children doing this).

Section 2. Purpose This bill is necessary because it gives everyone the opportunity to be a  
(2)part of the holiday as equally as everyone else. Halloween can create a safe and fun filled  
(3)environment that can reduce stress levels for people.

Section 3. Provisions What we want to happen is that everyone is allowed to wear costumes  
(2)and go trick-or-treating no matter what their age is. This will happen by changing the  
(3)acceptable age limit for trick-or-treating in Colorado from younger teenagers and expand it to  
(4)all ages.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: If a person or group should prevent a participant from doing this,  
(2)then he/she/they shall be assessed a fine of five hundred dollars.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: Our bill will not need to be funded because it will be  
(2)enthusiastically enforced by the good people of Colorado.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill will become active when it has passed all of the bill  
(2)processing systems, then signed by the governor and will be inactive after 30 days of passing.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines  
(2)and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.



YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

.H.B. 3-308 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Patricia Moreno Ortega, Edlla-Beata Tetteh, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: MANDATE THAT THE STATE OF COLORADO CHANGE THEIR STATUS  
TO A SANCTUARY STATE

Be it enacted by the 2016 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: State: Status: the condition of a person or thing in the eyes of the law  
(2)Sanctuary City: In the United States and Canada, a sanctuary city is a city that limits its  
(3)cooperation with the national government effort to enforce immigration law. DACA: On June  
(4)15, 2012, the Secretary of Homeland Security announced that certain people who came to the  
(5)United States as children and meet several guidelines may request consideration of deferred  
(6)action for a period of two years, subject to renewal. They are also eligible for work  
(7)authorization. Deferred action is a use of prosecutorial discretion to defer removal action  
(8)against an individual for a certain period of time. Deferred action does not provide lawful  
(9)status. Undocumented person: lacking documents required for legal immigration or residence  
(10)Public Service: the business of supplying a commodity (like gas or electricity) or a service  
(11)(transportation) to any or all members of a community. Private Service: service to an  
(12)individual rather than to a community, state, etc. Local: relating to or characteristic of a  
(13)particular space, not general or widespread.

Section 2. Purpose: To ensure that all undocumented immigrants who reside in the state of  
(2)Colorado do not have to worry about being interrogated by Colorado law enforcement or any  
(3)public/private service because of their legal status in the United States of America and as a  
(4)result be turned into Immigration and Customs Enforcement (ICE).  
(5)To ensure that the state of Colorado protects the rights of residents and citizens under the 4th  
(6)Amendment

Section 3. Provisions: Colorado law enforcement or any public/private service shall not  
(2)question a Colorado resident about their legal status in any circumstance where they interact  
(3)for the purpose of reporting said individual to Immigration and Customs Enforcement . If an  
(4)interaction occurs, the conceding person shall only question an individual about the reason  
(5)they are having the interaction in the first place. The state of Colorado should not put any  
(6)effort (money, resources, human capital, technology) into actively searching for  
(7)undocumented individuals for the sole purpose of fulfilling immigration laws of the federal  
(8)government and/or reporting them to Immigration and Customs Enforcement.

Section 4. Penalty Clause If a service, establishment, individual, or law enforcement official (2)asks an individual about their legal status as a means to report them to the federal government (3)or ICE they shall be deemed to have committed a misdemeanor crime. Said service, (4)establishment, individual, or law enforcement official shall be subjected to six months of (5)jail time.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause No money is required for this bill.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill will become effective upon the Governor's signing it and (2)will be enforced immediately.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines (2)and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 3-309

Sponsored by: Emily Shelest and Rylan Losh, Strasburg High School, BB

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: REQUIRE A SECOND LANGUAGE COURSE FOR ALL CHILDREN IN  
ELEMENTARY AND MIDDLE SCHOOL

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions:

- (1) Elementary School-The state or private institution going from grades K-5
- (2) Middle School- The state or private institution going from grades 6-8
- (3) Second Language- Any foreign language other than English, i.e. Spanish
- (4) Course- A class provided by the institution

Section 2. Purpose. This bill is necessary to create more valuable career candidates and well-

- (2) rounded individuals. Requiring a foreign language course will also improve world
- (3) communications. This bill will allow Colorado to become a more advanced state. Learning a
- (4) second language at a younger age has also been proven to boost intelligence, and builds on
- (5) the ability to learn more quickly in other subjects. It also increases brain development.

Section 3. Provisions. This bill is designed to change Colorado State law by incorporating two

- (2) languages into their class choices. One of the languages must be Spanish and the second (3)
- language must be chosen by the school. It will be required for each student to spend a
- (4) minimum of 45 minutes each day learning the language. A progression test will be instated
- (5) to be taken at the end of each school year. Each student must take the test, and if there
- (6) was no improvement they must retake the course. If the student passes, they move on to (7)
- the next highest class. If the student does not pass five foreign language classes in
- (8) elementary school they will be held back until they can do so. A middle school student will
- (9) not be able to move up to high school unless they pass all three foreign language classes, (10)
- and scoring 65% or higher on the final exam.

Section 4. Penalty Clause. If a school does not follow this law, their funding will be cut. If (2) they continue to not instate this law they will lose all funding causing them to eventually (3) shut down. If a child refuses to take a class, they will not be able to attend school at that (4) location. If a teacher is caught giving answers during end of year exams, they will (5) automatically lose their job. The child will be required to retake the test.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause. 500 million dollars will be appropriated by the Education (2) departments of Colorado for the first year to launch the program. For all of the following (3) years, 150 million dollars will be appropriated. This money is to be solely used for final (4) exams and new textbooks. These funds will be taken from a minor increase in taxes.

Section 6. Enactment Clause. Funding will be activated 6 months after the signature of the (2) governor, and all requirements of the bill will be enacted 24 months from the start of the (3) current school year.

Section 7. Safety Clause. The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2) declares that this act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

**HOUSE COMMITTEE FOUR  
EDUCATION**



YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 4-401

Sponsored By: Cynthia Lin (Hendrikson and Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO MANDATE THAT NO PUBLIC SCHOOL CAN HAVE A CLASS SIZE LARGER THAN 25 STUDENTS.

Be it enacted by the 2016 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions: As used in this act, the following definitions shall apply: Class size:  
(2) the number of students in a specific period of a specific class with one teacher.

Section 2. Purpose: In classes that are larger than 25, many students find it hard to get individual  
(2) feedback from the teacher and to speak up in class. Large class sizes inhibit the amount of  
(3) education that each student gets. Enforcing this will better the education of all public school  
(4) students.

Section 3. Provisions: There will be a maximum of 25 students in each class period per teacher.  
(2) More teachers will be hired to cover the rest of the students, in order to make this possible.

Section 4: Penalty: Schools that refuse to abide by this will have their class sizes lowered by  
(2) school district officials to the correct number immediately and will be given money to hire  
(3) more teachers and/or build more classrooms.

Section 5: Appropriations: The money to hire the new teachers and build new rooms will come  
(2) from the Colorado Department of Education.

Section 6: Enactment Clause: This act will be enacted for the 2019-2020 school year and all  
(2) school years following that.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and  
(2) declares that this ACT is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program

Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 4-402 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Jordan Cruz, Maddie Derting Pueblo West High School

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: REQUIRE A FOREIGN LANGUAGE IN EVERY KINDERGARTEN PUBLIC SCHOOL CLASSROOM

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions Foreign language- A language used in a country other than one's own. (2)  
Public school- A school paid for by public funds.

Section 2. Purpose This bill is necessary in allowing Colorado students to learn and begin to (2)  
understand another language along with learning English. Only 18% of Americans report (3)  
speaking a language other than English only 7% report learning this language in a school (4)  
setting, while 53% of Europeans can converse in a second language.

Section 3. Provisions The type of foreign language is not limited to one, to provide  
(2) adaptability from school to school. Dependent on the teacher a school can acquire, a  
(3) different language can be taught from school to school. The foreign language course will (4)  
be added to the curriculum of kindergarten classes. Currently, there are 944 public  
(5) elementary schools in Colorado and there must be at least one teacher qualified to teach (6)  
the foreign language course.

Section 4. Penalty Clause Non-compliance with this bill will result in a deduction of school (2)  
funding by 2%. If schools are unable to find a teacher in the time provided, special  
(3) considerations will be taken for them.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause

- (2) a. The median salary of a teacher in 2015 was \$51,670. Adding a new position to
- (3) each kindergarten classroom results in a total amount of 49,000,000 dollars.
- (4) b. The funds for this bill will be appropriated from property tax
- (5) c. The money would be allocated to the Colorado Department of Education to
- (6) then be distributed all the way down to the schools.



Section 6. Enactment Clause Once passed by this legislature and signed by the governor (2) this bill will go on to a vote by the people to raise taxes in accordance with TABOR, (3) following approval by the voters this bill will be enacted.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines (2) and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and (3) safety.

YMCA Youth in Government Program

Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. 4-403

Sponsored By: Dakota Williams, William C. Hinkley High School, and T.H.

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: REQUIRE LIFE SKILLS CLASSES IN COLORADO HIGH SCHOOLS AS A  
GRADUATION REQUIREMENT

Be in enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions:

- (1) Life Skills- A skill that is necessary or desirable for full participation in everyday life.
- (2) Home Economics- Cooking and other aspects of household management especially as taught at school.
- (3) Shop Class- A class in which practical skills such as carpentry or engineering are taught.
- (5) Legislation- Laws considered collectively.
- (6) Trade School- Educational institution designed to educate in technical skills.
- (7) Capital Building- Grants awarded to school districts to improve building infrastructure.
- (8) Bond Measures- Funding that is non-taxed.

Section 2. Purpose. This bill is necessary to improve the life of Colorado High School students during and post high school life.

- (1) Colorado Students learn to gain purposeful skills for life.
- (2) Help the future adults lead a more independent in life.
- (3) Give students a structured education providing in multiple areas of learning.

Section 3. Provisions.

- (1) Colorado Trade Schools would be assessed to see if “life skill” classes would be appropriate for school setting.
- (2) Schools would need to hire experienced professionals in order to correctly teach courses.
- (3) The hired professionals will have to have a K-12 degree in order to be a licensed teacher in the State of Colorado.
- (4) The new teacher will have to be trained by the new district of employment.
- (5) Students will need to have at least one full credit of the new life skill classes filled in any of their four years as a high school student.
- (6) Rural schools will have a satellite program so it will be taught electronically on computers.

(7) Schools will need to provide at least 2 different classes to provide variety to students example; home-economics, shop class, and financial classes.

(8) It is of utmost importance the bill is revisited every year for 4 years, and then every two years after that so that the appropriated budget and provisions can be changed if needed to fit needs of the Colorado Department of Education.

(9) All parts of this law will be controlled by the Colorado Department of Education.

#### Section 4. Penalty Clause.

(1) Students who do not accomplish the one credit requirement will not move to graduate until the hours are made up in school or summer school education.

(2) Public school districts cannot deny this new law without probable cause. If a cause should arise it will be investigated by the Colorado Department of Education, to see if cause is sufficient enough to excuse new life skills classes.

(3) Schools that already have life skill classes will be evaluated and monitored to see if changes should be made.

#### Section 5. Appropriations Clause.

(1) 15 million dollars will be set aside from the ongoing marijuana taxes to pay for equipment and supplies for the schools in addition to what is already provided for capital building.

(2) New program teachers will be paid a minimum salary of 40,000 thousand dollars a year.

(3) 20 million dollars from the payment for the teachers this will be created by bond measures for school districts.

#### Section 6. Enactment Clause.

(1) Funding for the bill will be activated immediately with the signature of the governor.

(2) All requirements of the bill will be enacted 6 months before a new graduating class enters high school ex. Class of 2023.

#### Section 7. Safety Clause.

The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. 4-404

Sponsored By: Amya Hickey, Kawena Johnson, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO PROVIDE STUDENTS IN ELEMENTARY, MIDDLE, AND HIGH SCHOOL WITH NO MORE THAN AN HOUR OF HOMEWORK A WEEK.

Be it enacted by the 2016 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: Less- Pronoun- smaller amount of; not as much. Homework- Noun – (2)schoolwork that a student is required to do at home.

Section 2. Purpose: This bill would lessen the amount of homework each student would (2)receive. If the amount of homework decreases, hypothetically, the stress that kids go through (3)would be less severe.

Section 3. Provision: The bill will require teachers to not assign as much homework. No (2)teacher is allowed to excessively give out homework to kids that is worth more than an hour (3)per week. This does not include work that was assigned in class and given as homework. This (4)way, teachers can still provide a way for students to improve outside of class, like teachers are (5)striving for.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: The penalty would be left up to individual school districts.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: This bill does not require any money.

Section 6. Enactment Clause: The bill will be enacted upon the approval of the school board (2)of education of Colorado. After approval, the bill will be enacted the following school year.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines (2)and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. 4-405

Sponsored By: Treycen Eckman, Resurrection Christian

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: A BILL TO GUARANTY THAT EVERY COLORADO Public HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT HAS A STUDY HALL

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Study hall is defined as a time that is made out of the students day to allow them (2) to do homework. High School student will be defined as students in 9th-12th grade. Guaranty (3) will be defined as it is required.

Section 2. Many students have a lot to do when they get home. Most high school students go (2) to an outside school activity after school. Then when they get home they have to go do (3) homework. Then they do not have time to spend with family in friends because they have so (4) much to do by the time they get out of school, and get to bed at a decent time.

Section 3. This bill will guaranty every student a study hall to get homework done. This will (2) decrease some homework load which will allow every high school student to spend more (3) time with family, and get to bed at a better time to prevent sickness.

Section 4. If schools do not comply with these regulations they will lose their state funding (2) for the school, until they apply with the regulations.

Section 5. There will be no necessary funding for this bill.

Section 6. This bill will take effect at the beginning of the 2018-2019 school year.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines (2) and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and (3) safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. 4-406 \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Xotchil Olague, Jorja Whyte, and Milton Matute, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: OFFER A SPECIALIZED EDUCATION PROGRAM FOR EVERY STUDENT IN THE COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOL SYSTEM REGARDLESS OF PROFICIENCY LEVEL.

Be it enacted by the 2016 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: Offer: Present or proffer something for someone to accept or reject as so (2)desired. Specialized: Specifically for. Education Program: A set of 3 or more goals for the (3)student to achieve every quarter, and steps and/or suggestions the student can take to help (4)achieve the set goals that are on file in the school. Student: Any person that attends a (5)Colorado Public School in grades K-12. Proficiency level: Degree of skills that a student (6)possesses.

Section 2. Purpose: This bill provides a fair and non-discriminatory program in order to ensure (2)that every student has a resource to draw from for support, creating a higher chance of (3)graduating. An individual, detailed plan helps produce a well-rounded, successful student. (4)Many students have the desire to be successful in school but do not know what subjects or (5)components they need to improve upon.

Section 3. Provisions: Every student in grades K-12 will be offered a specialized program that (2)provides advanced learning. The advanced learning differs between grades. Grades K-5 are (3)offered advanced learning in math, reading, and writing. All students in grades 6-8 are offered (4)the same courses as K-5 but at the middle school advanced pace. Grades 9-12 are offered (5)programs in algebra, literacy, geography, science, and all creditable subjects. The specialized (6)program features a set of a minimum of three goals and one step per goal for every specialized (7)subject; examples include math, literacy, art and any other curriculum-based subject. This (8)means that if a student has 7 subjects they have a minimum of 21 total goals. To make sure (9)the program is actually being utilized every student has a designated teacher that has a copy of (10)their goals and steps that they will take to achieve the goals. This bill is giving a chance to all (11)students to design goals for themselves making it truly personal to them. These advanced (12)educational programs are offered, but no student is obligated to join the program if they do (13)not wish to do so. Any student who opts out of this program will not have to set goals. (14)Before enactment this bill provides for a study that reaches out all stateholders in the State of (15)Colorado to receive their criticism and suggestion on how we can make this bill accessible (16)and practical for every school and student.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: If a school is not implementing/offering this program to its students (2)then a penalty will be determined and assessed by the Colorado Department of Education.

Section 5. Funding for this bill will be determined by stakeholders after the study required by (2)this bill is completed. Five million dollars will be appropriated in order to complete the study.

Section 6. This bill will become effective 90 days after signature by the Governor.

Section 7. The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and declares that this (2)Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace, and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth & Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. 4-407

Sponsored By: Yordanos Alemayehu Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: ELIMINATE STANDARDIZED TESTING

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: Standardized testing is a form of testing that every junior in high school in (2)Colorado takes also known as ACT and SAT. ACT/SAT is a standardized test used for (3)college admission.

Section 2. Purpose: The purpose of elimination of standardized testing is to save billions of (2)dollars that can be used to improve schools that experience low funding. The test alone costs (3)\$1.7 billion a year in each state. Also, an individual's performance shouldn't be judged by a (4)test. The point of standardized testing is to measure how students perform in a given (5)class/school but it also affects what colleges students get into. Students shouldn't be (6)punished and not accepted into better schools because of of bad teachers/schools. Also, (7)some students may be good students and bad testers because of factors such as test (8)anxiety, etc.

Section 3.Provisions: Students will no longer be required to take the standardized test in High (2)School. Schools/ Classes performances will be determined through students grades and the (3)quality of their work.

Section 4.Penalty clause: If the district does not act accordingly this bill states within two months (2)of amending the bill, the district will have a deficit of \$10,000 for the first month it's not (3)installed with a 30% increase in each month that follows.

Section 5.Appropriations clause:This bill will acquire no money since purpose is to save money

Section 6.Enactment Clause This bill will become effective 90 days upon the governor's signing.

Section 7. Safety Clause: The YMCA model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2) (2)declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation student success.



YMCA Colorado Youth & Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. 4-408\_\_

Sponsored By: Lachlan Patino Scott and Larry Blackshear Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: IMPLEMENT A 2 MINUTE GRACE PERIOD FOR PASSING PERIODS IN ALL COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: A period of time beyond the official bell in which there's a 2 minute time (2) period that one can still arrive to class and will not be penalized

Section 2. Purpose: to have leniency towards students that had issues or inconveniences(Ex. hall (2) traffic) in the halls and not penalizing them for it

Section 3. Provisions: This bill will allow students that are running late to not get penalized for a (2) short period of time.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: If the district does not comply this bill states within two months of (2)amending the bill, the district will have a deficit of \$500 for the first month it's not implemented with a 10% increase in each month that follows

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: This bill will require no funding

Section 6. Enactment Clause: This bill will become effective on August 8th, 2018.

Section 7. Safety Clause: The YMCA model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2) declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of economy, public state of being, (3)peace, and safety.



**SENATE COMMITTEE ONE  
ANIMALS AND OTHER**

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 1-101  
H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Celeste Alamillo, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: LIMIT THE NUMBER OF ANIMALS PUT DOWN AT EUTHANIZATION SHELTERS

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions As used in this act, the following definitions shall apply.

- (2) Limit- a restriction on the size or amount of something permissible or possible.
- (3) Euthanization- The act or practice of ending the life of a person or animal.
- (4) Put down- To put (a living being, especially a dog or cat) to death humanely.

Section 2. Purpose: To prevent unnecessary losses of animal lives. This bill protects animals' (2)lives and rights. This act could foster a better community.

Section 3. Provisions: This bill will be used to protect animals within shelters. It will remove the (2)chance of them losing their lives for unnecessary or greedy reasons. This bill will require that (3)the maximum number of animals euthanized in a shelter must be 15% of the total species (4)population. This will exclude animals that must be put down due to medical reasons. The (5)shelters will also be required to hold animals for seven days until they euthanize it. This again (6)excludes animals suffering from medical conditions.

Section 4. Penalty Clause Those not in accordance with this act will be expected to pay a fine of (2)\$500 for a first offense. The second offense will include a \$1,000 fine. Three or more offenses (3)will prompt the possibility of a closure of the shelter in question.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause No appropriation clause needed

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill will become effective 90 days after signature by the (2)Governor.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2)declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 1-102\_\_\_\_\_

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: [Alexander Kokoshinskiy, Vadim Mathys, Linda Hussein] (Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: BAN ALL FORMS OF ANIMAL RACING

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions:

- (1) As used in this bill, the following definition will apply: Animal Racing: a sport in which  
(2) animals (such as horses, dogs, pigs, etc.) race around barrels, a track, or a different form of  
(3) course (which sometimes includes a rider [a person riding the animal], or sometimes without,  
(4) depending on the format of the race) in pursuit of winning, an event that typically includes  
(5) spectators bidding on the outcome.

Section 2. Purpose: This bill is necessary to hinder animal abuse and cruelty, and prevent animals (2) (such as horses, dogs, pigs, etc.) being killed simply because they lack winning potential.

Section 3. Provisions: This bill is designed to change the law in which animal racing is hereby (2) banned in Colorado.

Section 4: Penalty: Any private or public organization that organizes or participates in animal (2) racing will pay a fine of \$100,000 to the Colorado Department of Local Affairs, with the

(3) money being used to remove racing facilities and conduct periodic checks (the time period at  
(4) which these checks will be carried out shall be determined by the Colorado Department of  
(5) Local Affairs) to guarantee that animal racing of any form does not take place.

Section 5: Appropriations: Ten thousand dollars will be allocated to the Colorado Department of  
(2) Local Affairs on a monthly basis to conduct periodic checks (the time period at which these  
(3) checks will be carried out shall be determined by the Colorado Department of Local Affairs)  
(4) to guarantee that animal racing of any form does not take place.

Section 6: Enactment Clause: This bill shall become a law on the first of January of the year  
(2) 2018 following its signing by the governor and all requirements of the bill will be enacted  
(3) once it is signed.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and  
(2) declares that this ACT is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program

Model Legislature

S.B. 1-103

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Maria McMillan (Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: REQUIRE THE USE OF SAFETY DEVICES FOR DOGS IN PASSENGER VEHICLES

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions: As used in this act, the following definitions apply:

(2) Dog: a domesticated canine.

(3) Passenger Vehicle: a road motor vehicle, other than a motorcycle, bus, or truck, intended for

(4) the carriage of passengers and designed to seat no more than nine persons (including the

(5) driver).

(6) Safety Device: a belt, strap, or car seat securing a dog in one place to prevent injury,

(7) especially in a vehicle.

(8) Car Accident: when a motor vehicle strikes or collides another vehicle, a stationary object, a

(9) pedestrian, or an animal.

(10) Projectile: any object that once projected or dropped continues in motion by its own inertia

(11) and is influenced only by the downward force of gravity.

(12) Inertia: a property of matter by which it continues in its existing state of rest or uniform

(13) motion in a straight line, unless that state is changed by an external force.

(14) Sudden Braking: unexpectedly slamming on the brakes of a vehicle, causing jerky motions

(15) of the vehicle.

(16) Law Enforcement Officer: a police officer or state trooper.

Section 2. Purpose: The purpose of this bill is to ensure the safety of all dogs and humans

(2) traveling in passenger vehicles together. In the event of a car accident or sudden braking,

(3) dogs can become projectiles. This puts both the dog and any other human(s) in the vehicle at

(4) risk of serious injury or death. Additionally, unrestrained dogs in vehicles can be a huge

(5) distraction for drivers, especially if the dog frequently moves around and/or climbs into the

(6) front of the vehicle.

Section 3. Provisions: This bill requires all dogs traveling in passenger vehicles to be restrained

(2) by a safety device. The safety device must be able to keep the dog in one seat and restrain the

(3) dog from climbing or falling off the seat. It is the responsibility of the driver of the vehicle to

(4) provide one safety device per dog traveling in the passenger vehicle.

Section 4: Penalty: Individuals may not be pulled over solely for violating this law. However, if

(2) an individual is pulled over for another traffic violation, such as speeding, running a red light,

(3) tailgating, etc., and they are found to be in violation of this law, the law enforcement officer

(4) may fine the individual up to \$80.

Section 5: Appropriations: None.

Section 6: Enactment Clause: This bill shall become a law on the first of January of the year

(2) following its signing by the governor.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and

(2) declares that this ACT is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.



YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_1-104\_\_\_\_  
H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Tyler Ker and Adaline Lang, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: OUTLAW THE WORD MOIST.

Be it enacted by the 2016 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: Outlaw- ban; make illegal, Public setting- anywhere where the state  
(2)government can and or will use the proper authority to enforce the law.

Section 2. Purpose: The purpose of the bill is to create an environment of complete comfort for  
(2)all members of the Colorado society.

Section 3. Provisions: The word “moist” shall no longer be used in a public setting.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: A fine of 20 dollars will be owed to the Department of Criminal  
(2)Justice if the word “moist” is used in a public setting.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause 1.5 million dollars in appropriations would be needed for the  
(2)compensation of the police officers enforcing this law.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This Bill will be enacted June 1, 2022.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines  
(2) and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. \_1-105\_\_\_\_  
H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Emily Nevarez and Rachal Nguyen, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: LEGALIZE THE PIT BULL BREED IN ALL COUNTIES AND  
MUNICIPALITIES OF COLORADO

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1.     Definitions Pit Bull Breed: A Dog of an American variety of bull terrier, noted  
(1)for its muscular build and often associated with ferocity.  
(2)Legalize: An act to make something what was previously illegal, legal again.  
(3)Counties: A political and administrative division of a state, providing certain local  
(4)governmental services.  
(5)Municipal: Relating to a city or town or its governing body.  
(6)Aggressive: Ready or likely to attack or confront; characterized by or resulting from  
(7)aggression.

Section 2.     Purpose This bill’s purpose is to give freedom to those who want to own the pit  
(2)bull breed. This bill allows this specific breed of dogs to be accepted into homes instead of  
(3)being kept in dog pounds.

Section 3.     Provisions With this bill in place, people who want to own a pit bull will be able  
(2)to own the dog without being afraid of getting the dog taken away by any dog pound in the  
(3)state. Citizens would be able to do what they want in the sense of breeding and selling the dog  
(4)but making the dog participate in dog fights or training the dog in being actively aggressive  
(5)will not be allowed and could result in a penalty.

Section 4.     Penalty Clause If a particular region restricts or opposes against this law they  
(2)will be fined \$100 per dog. Owners who do not abide by this law will be fined \$300 and will  
(3)have their dog taken away from them and send the dog to a dog rescue. Which then they  
(4)will retrain the dog.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: No funds are required.

Section 6. Enactment Clause: This bill will become effective upon the Governor's signature.  
(2)This bill will become effective 90 days after the signature of the Governor.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines (2)  
(2)and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and (3)  
safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth & Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 1-106  
H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Lachlan Patino Scott and Larry Blackshear Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: MAKE IT MANDATORY FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO PROVIDE A SEMESTER LONG ELECTIVE COURSE THAT WILL FOCUS ON STUDY AND PREPARATION FOR THE ACT/SAT

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: Elective course is a class that is not required but anyone has the option of (2) taking. ACT/SAT is a standardized test used for college admission.

Section 2. Purpose: To allow those that want help with the ACT/SAT to receive that help in the (2) form of a class.

Section 3. Provisions: This bill will allow students preparation for ACT/SAT and allow them to (2) receive an elective credit.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: If the district does not provide the accommodations this bill states (2) within two months of amending the bill, the district will have a deficit of \$1000 for the first (3) month it's not implemented with a 30% increase in each month that follows.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: This bill will acquire funding from individual district school (2) boards for books and teacher.

Section 6. Enactment Clause: This bill will become effective on August 8th, 2018.

Section 7. Safety Clause: The YMCA model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2) (2) declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace, and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 1-107 \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Shannon Di Marino, Kara Mendez, Celia Amador, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: (HELP STRENGTHEN OR ENFORCE PROTECTION OF ALL ANIMALS  
ACROSS COLORADO)

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions Enforce: Compel observance of or compliance with (a law, rule, or  
(2)obligation). Protection: The action of protecting someone or something, or the state of being  
(3)protected. Strengthen: Make or become stronger.

Section 2. Purpose The purpose of this bill is to help keep animals of all kind protected from  
(2)abuse or being killed for the “fun” of it or for those who kill animals for their fur and change  
(3)the color of it and sell it as another animal whose fur sells for high prices.

Section 3. Provisions With this bill, animals of any kind are to be protected from any and all  
(2)things that could harm them that is caused by humans. No killing animals for “fun” and no  
(3)inflicting any type of injuries to the animals unless it is putting a person’s life in danger. This  
(4)bill will ensure that animals will live safely and not have a risk of being killed or abused.

Section 4. Penalty Clause If anyone is to break the rules and kill any animal or harm one  
(2)without a good reason as to why they did so, shall be fined depending on what they did and  
(3)how bad the situation was. If there are multiple cases under one person, they are to have a  
(4)higher fine or prison time depending on how many times they have either killed or abused an  
(5)animal.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause No money is needed for enforcement.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill will become effective upon the Governor's signing it.  
(2)This bill will become effective 30 days after signature by the Governor.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines  
(2)and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of the public health, peace and  
(3)safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program

Model Legislature

S.B. 1-108

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Alicia Wu, Fairview High School

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: MANDATE THAT ALL PUBLIC SCHOOLS HAVE AT LEAST ONE THERAPY DOG ON CAMPUS

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions: As used in this act, the following definitions shall apply: Therapy dog is a (2) dog that has been trained to to comfort people. The dog must be hypoallergenic and must be (3) certified in the following areas: relaxation and control, familiarization with school equipment (4) and school grounds, and coaching/instruction on safe handling in school facilities.

Section 2. Purpose: School is one of the most stressful events that children have to go through. (2) Dogs have been known to relieve stress. By just petting a dog, a person would have calmed (3) down. Heart rate slows down, and dopamine and endorphin hormones are increased. Therapy (4) dogs will help children develop in comfort and sensorimotor/nonverbal learning. Therapy (5) dogs will also help a student keep calm during stressful times by lowering anxiety. Children (6) exposed to pets can also have an increased immune system such as protection against (7) allergies and asthma. Training dogs that come from animal shelters also has many benefits. (8) Around 6.5 million companion pets, such as dogs and cats, enter animal shelters. 1.5 million (9) of them will be euthanized. Training them to become emotional support pets will give them a (10) new life and a new purpose.

Section 3. Provisions: All K-12 public schools will be required to have at least one therapy dog (2) on campus at all times. The dog(s) will be kept in counseling areas during school hours. The (3) dog(s) will be adopted from local shelters and will be trained to meet the standards listed (4) above. School administrators will have to go through training with the dogs to ensure proper (5) handling. Administrators will also have to volunteer to take care of the dog(s) during after (6) school hours.

Section 4: Penalty: No penalty clause

Section 5: Appropriations: Funding for this program will come from the local shelter and the (2) school budget. The dogs can be adopted by administrators of the school or given to a local (3) therapy dog organization.

Section 6: Enactment Clause: This bill will come into effect by the 2018-2019 school year.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2) declares that this act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.





**SENATE COMMITTEE TWO  
BUSINESS, TECHNOLOGY, and the WORK FORCE**



YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 2-201 \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: (Arabella Crites, Resurrection Christian)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: BAN CARPET FROM ALL SCHOOLS IN COLORADO.

Be it enacted by the 2000 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. All Schools: An institution of learning from Preschool to 12<sup>th</sup> grade, whether public or private.

Carpet: A heavy fabric used as a floor covering.

Section 2. To make it possible to have colored drinks in classrooms for every student (2) without a detriment to the school due to payment from replacing the carpet.

Section 3. All schools must replace the carpeted areas of their classrooms and offices.

Section 4. The school will must pay a fine of \$2.50 on their next health inspection if they (2) still have carpets on the premise of the school, and they will be responsible for replacing the (3) carpet if a student spills a colored drink on the carpet before they replace it.

Section 5. The funds for this bill will be provided by the individual schools in each district (2) from their pre-existing budget.

Section 6. This bill will be enacted by the school's next health inspection after the grace (2) period of 365 days after the governor signs the bill.

Section 7. The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines (2) and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and (3) safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program

S.B. 2-202 \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Luke Casseday & Hannah Rost, Resurrection Christian School

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: CAP MINIMUM WAGE AT \$10.00 PER HOUR IN COLORADO

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions Minimum wage shall be defined as the lowest hourly wage permitted by law or by a special agreement. Cap should be defined as a limit or maximum.

Section 2. Purpose In the state of Colorado, minimum wage should be capped in order to create equal opportunities for employment, help small businesses, and increase employment rates. The continual raising of minimum wage that has been occurring recently is a also large cause of inflation, which can be avoided by creating a maximum for minimum wage.

Section 3. Provisions When raising the minimum wage above \$10 is proposed, it will be immediately denied. Businesses, companies, and corporations can still decide how much they pay their employees, even if that is above \$10; however, minimum wage cannot be increased in any way, time, or for any reason. Starting in 2020 and continuing on, every four years, a committee will review the law in order to make sure the economy has not changed too drastically. If it has, the committee will then make a new bill proposing a different minimum wage cap that they see fit, and it will be voted on as a new bill.

Section 4. Enactment Clause This bill will become effective upon the Governor's signing it.

Section 5. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 2-203  
H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Saurabh Totey (Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: LIMIT CARS PER HOUSEHOLD

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

**Section 1.** Definitions : As used in this act, the following definitions shall apply:

- 1) Car: a road vehicle, typically with four wheels, powered by an internal combustion engine and able to carry a small number of people.
- 2) Household: a location with an address where at least one person resides; a person can reside in a maximum of 1 household

**Section 2.** Purpose: Due to the increasing threat of greenhouse gases and global warming,  
(2) this bill would attempt to alleviate some common causes of smog and air pollution while  
(3) still leaving a maintainable lifestyle for the vast majority of people. This bill also very  
(4) subtly encourages having multiple people live in a household together which would, in the  
(5) long term, help combat city sprawl.

**Section 3.** Provisions : This bill would require that every household may have a maximum  
(2) of 1.5 cars per resident. If the household may hold a non-integer value of cars according to  
(3) the above formula, the number shall be rounded down to the nearest whole number.

**Section 4.** Penalty: Should the residents of a household follow this bill, they each shall  
(2) receive a \$500 tax cut for each car below the maximum they are. Should the residents of a  
(3) household not follow this bill, they shall be fined an extra \$500 for every car above the  
(4) maximum they are.

**Section 5.** Appropriations: The Colorado Department of Motor Vehicles shall pay for and  
(2) enforce this bill as they handle vehicle licenses, vehicle registrations, and other driver's  
(3) services.

**Section 6.** Enactment Clause: This bill will go into effect by 2023 to allow residents to have  
(2) slightly over 5 years to ensure that they can meet the requirements and provisions set forth  
(3) by this bill.

**Section 7.** Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines  
(2) and declares that this ACT is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and  
(3) safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth & Government Program

Model Legislature

S.B. 2-204 \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: **Thomas O'Connor, Pueblo West High School Sponsors: SS, ME**

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

**AN ACT TO: REQUIRE ALL SCHOOL DISTRICTS IN COLORADO TO CONVERT TO FOUR DAY SCHOOL WEEKS**

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: As used in this act, the following definitions shall apply: (2): School: shall refer to publicly funded K-12 state schools

Section 2. Purpose: To boost educational funding in Colorado.

(2) Presently, many of our school districts are on five-day school weeks.

(3) Because nearly half of our school districts have transferred to a four-day

(4) week, it is only reasonable to transfer the remaining school districts over.

(5) This bill will allocate the savings from the reduced school week to education,

(6) technology, and the wellbeing of students within their respective school

(7) districts.

Section 3. Provisions: This bill will be used to support the Colorado

(2) Department of Education and to acquire additional funds to invest in

(3) educational programs. In addition, it will address the complications some

(4) guardians have with transporting their students to school, five days a week.

(5) This proposal will allow funding from the Friday school day to be diverted

(6) into educational instruments like books, equipment, technology, and

(7) renovations.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: No penalty necessary.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: No appropriations necessary.

Section 6. Enactment Clause:

(2) This bill will become effective upon the signature of the Governor; after the

(3) current school year.

Section 7. Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds,

(2) determines and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth & Government Program

Model Legislature

S.B. 2-205 \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: **Juliet Chi, Fountain Valley School of Colorado, JE**

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO LEGALIZE PUBLIC AND OPEN MARIJUANA CLUBS

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions:

- (1) Public and Open—Allowing those of legal age with a valid ID to enter.
- (2) Marijuana Clubs—A public place where marijuana is allowed to be smoked in legally.

Section 2. Purpose This bill is necessary because it regulates the use of marijuana and  
(2) allows it to be monitored by professionals and will help prevent serious overdoses and to  
(3) generate more revenue for the Colorado economy.

Section 3. Provisions This bill is to allow club owners to legalize the use of recreational marijuana in their clubs when the user has a valid ID and is over 21 years of age.

Section 4. Penalty Clause It will be considered a felony if

- (1) The club owners are allowing underage minors to use recreational marijuana in their clubs or
- (2) a minor attempts to bribe his/her way into being able to use recreational marijuana.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause There will be no money given to any club owners. This is an optional decision for the club owners to make.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill will be activated 3 months after the Governor has signed the bill.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and  
(2) declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace, and safety.

Model Legislature

S.B. 2-206

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Jimena Becerra, Estrella Soto Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: GIVE PEOPLE A TIME FRAME OFF OF WORK TO VOTE DURING ELECTIONS

Section 1. Definitions: Vote: a formal indication of a choice between two or more candidates or (2)courses of action, expressed typically through a ballot or a show of hands or by voice. (3)Elections: a formal and organized process of electing or being elected, especially of members (4)of a political body. Time Frame: a period of time, especially a specified period in which (5)something occurs or is planned to take place. Off: away from the place in question; to or at a (5)distance.

Section 2. Purpose: The purpose of this bill is to increase the participation of voting during (2)elections while giving employees and citizens a time frame off work or other businesses. This (3)allows them to be given the opportunity to have time to go to a voting poll during opening (4)hours.

Section 3. Provisions: This act would like to see that people who work between the hours of 7-6 (2) or whichever hours voting polls are open) to be given a time frame off work of 4 hours. (3)Businesses would be required to let their employees to take that time frame off without (4)hurting their job.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: The penalties for this bill will be directed toward businesses and (2)franchise establishments. If business do not allow their employees to take up to 4 hours off (3)work during election days they will be fined \$5,000 per employee denied their right to vote (4)under this bill.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: Two million dollars will be appropriated for this bill to fund (2)and advertising campaign letting Coloradans know about the new law. This money will (3)specifically fund commercials, paper ads, and posters. The money will be directed to the (4)Colorado Secretary of State's office.

Section 6. Enactment Clause: This bill will take action immediately after it is signed by the (2)Governor.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2)declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.



YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 2-207 \_\_\_\_\_  
H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Kabsa Abdi, Irina Amouzou, Gateway High School, MW

AN ACT TO: DISTRIBUTE PROPERTY TAX EVENLY AMONG THE STATE OF  
COLORADO'S PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: Property Tax: Revenue collected, usually levied on real estate. The tax is  
(2)levied by the governing authority of the jurisdiction in which the property is located.  
(3)The 14th Amendment: The 14th Amendment addresses the aspect of citizenship and the rights  
(4)of those citizens.

Section 2. Purpose: To create an equitable system within a state, the respective state  
(2)governments would need to allocate a fixed foundational amount of funding to each district.  
(3)This funding would guarantee a basic level of education for all students within the  
(4)state. Property tax is currently used to fund K-12 public school districts within counties and  
(5)jurisdictional boundaries however this bill aims to change the way that these taxes are  
(6)distributed between school districts.

Section 3. Provisions: Collection of property tax will remain the same however the distribution  
(2)of these taxes will be allocated differently. Once the local government has collected the  
(3)revenue it will be dispersed among all public school districts in the state.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: Failure to adhere to these new guidelines will result in an  
(2)independent investigation into Colorado's Department of Education which may result in jail  
(3)time for guilty parties.

Section 5. Appropriation Clause: The revenue for this bill is already collected and managed  
(2)locally.

Section 6. Enactment Clause: This bill will be effective in the 2019-2020 school year after  
(2)signature by the Governor.

Section 7. Safety Clause: The YMCA General Model Assembly hereby finds, determines,  
(2)and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation, public health, and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth & Government Program

Model Legislature

S.B. 2-208 \_\_\_\_\_

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: **(Trentyn Wilson, Ashtyn Austin, Ashley Hatch, Cenon, Pueblo West High School and SS and ME)**

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: REQUIRE ALL PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOLS TO OFFER AT LEAST ONE CTE CLASS

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: as used in this act the following definitions shall apply:

- (2)CTE- commonly known as career and technical education, in other words are trade based
- (3)classes

Section 2. Purpose: To ensure that students in Colorado are graduating with the skills that

- (2)are needed in the workforce. To promote the economy by training the workforce while they
- (3)are in high school. To promote a better future for Colorado students.

Section 3. Provisions: This bill will be used to improve the current education system and

- (2)offer more class options to students. Businesses also are in need of trained and
- (3)experienced workers, which this bill will provide. Also to promote the state economy by
- (4)providing businesses with a workforce that is trained when they leave high school.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: Students attending non-compliant schools will have the

- (2)opportunity to attend a compliant school for that course. The non-compliant school will be
- (3)required to sign off on this course opportunity. As an example Pueblo School district 70
- (4)spends \$8803 per student a year. Each student takes 7 classes a semester and 14 a year.
- (5)In this case that student would go to another school to take that course which would cost
- (6)\$628 per semester from the non-compliant school until that school becomes compliant.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: To avoid the financial barrier of hiring new teachers, current

- (2)technology, business, and woodshop teachers will become CTE certified in order to teach
- (3)these classes. The money for these trainings would come from professional development
- (4)funds already inside schools.

Section 6. Enactment Clause: If passed this bill will become effective before the start of the

- (2)2018-2019 school year

Section 7. Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds,

- (2)determines and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health,
- (3)peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 2-209

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Claire Davis, Gaige Graham, Pueblo West High School

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: THE STATE OF COLORADO TO SUPPORT COLORADO CONTRACTORS

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions

As used in this act the following definitions shall apply: **Contractor:** Independent entity that agrees to furnish certain number or quantity of goods, material, equipment, personnel, and/or services that meet or exceed stated requirements or specifications, at a mutually agreed upon price and within a specified timeframe to another independent entity called contractee, principal, or project owner.

Section 2. Purpose This bill is necessary to promote and give an edge to local Colorado contractors for the welfare of Coloradans and boosting local Colorado economies.

Section 3. Provisions This bill will force the State of Colorado to deny any out of state contracting bids if they are within five percent of the price range of an in-state bid. The branch that opens the contract to bidding is responsible for said contracts to abide by this legislation. It is necessary to remember that this can only apply to operations that the State of Colorado is trying to complete and not private business deals. Colorado Contractors will be able to look at potential projects every year that out-of-state may not see until said project is official.

Section 4. Penalty Clause There is no penalty necessary for this bill.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause No appropriations are needed for the passing of this bill.

Section 6. Enactment Clause This bill will become effective during the next fiscal year after signature by the Governor.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

**SENATE COMMITTEE THREE  
HEALTH HUMAN SERVICES**



YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 3-301  
H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Deyanira Mendoza, Olivia Parapat, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: MAKE FEMININE HYGIENE PRODUCTS FREE AT ALL MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL COLORADO PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: Feminine Products: Feminine hygiene products (also called menstrual (2)hygiene products) are personal care products used by women, for menstruation, vaginal (3)discharge, and other bodily functions related to the vulva and vagina. Free: without cost or (4)payment. Colorado Public Schools: all schools run and funded publically in the State of (5)Colorado.

Section 2. Purpose The purpose of the bill is to ensure that all Colorado middle and high (2)school public schools provide free feminine products because it is a basic human right.

Section 3. Provisions this is the most important part of your bill. In every nurses' office in (2)the Colorado Public Middle and High school district will provide free feminine products to (3)the entire student body. The school districts will supply a percentage of their funding to (4)purchasing the feminine hygiene products and if the school is not financially able to, then, a (5)non-profit organization that works with feminine hygiene will provide the products.

Section 4. Penalty Clause This clause is necessary if your bill makes something illegal. (2) Crimes are classed into two major categories: felonies and misdemeanors. A crime is a (3) felony if so designated by law or if it is punishable by imprisonment for one year or more. A (4)crime is a misdemeanor if so designated by law or if it is punishable by imprisonment for less (5)than one year.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause  
(2)A box of generic feminine hygiene products costs approximately \$7.00 per box. The cost of a (3)total of 24 boxes per year is \$168.00 and each school will have 2 boxes per month. The (4)\$168.00 will be taken from the school nursing budget

Section 6. Enactment: This bill will become effective 90 days after signature by the (2)Governor.

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines (2)and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth & Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 3-302

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: **Cassie Daly, Pueblo West High School, SS**

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: PROVIDE HEALTH CARE TO UNACCOMPANIED HOMELESS YOUTH

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions:

(1) **Homeless youth:**

(2) A. individuals who lack a fixed, regular, and adequate nighttime

(3) residence...; and

(4) B. includes —

(5) i. children and youths who are sharing the housing of other

(6) persons due to loss of housing, economic hardship, or a

(7) similar reason; are living in motels, hotels, trailer parks, or

(8) camping grounds due to the lack of alternative adequate

(9) accommodations; are living in emergency or transitional

(10) shelters; or are abandoned in hospitals;

(11) ii. children and youths who have a primary nighttime

(12) residence that is a public or private place not designed for or

(13) ordinarily used as a regular sleeping accommodation for

(14) human beings...;

(15) iii. children and youths who are living in cars, parks, public

(16) spaces, abandoned buildings, substandard housing, bus or

(17) train stations, or similar settings; and

(18) iv. migratory children...who qualify as homeless for the

(19) purposes of this subtitle because the children are living in

(20) circumstances described in clauses (i) through (iii).

(21) **Unaccompanied:** a homeless child or youth not in the physical



- (22) custody of a parent or guardian.
- (23) **Health Care:** efforts made to maintain or restore physical,
- (24) mental, or emotional well-being especially by trained and
- (25) licensed professionals.

Section 2. Purpose: This bill is necessary as a step in managing the growing

- (1) population of homeless youth. In the 2014-2015 school year, nearly
- (2) 25,000 Colorado youth were homeless. Youth experiencing homelessness
- (3) are more likely to experience physical and mental health issues and those
- (4) unaccompanied by an adult cannot access proper health care. This bill would
- (5) directly target this issue by providing health care to unaccompanied
- (6) homeless minors.

Section 3. Provisions: This bill will change the Colorado health care

- (2) requirements to include those falling under the definition of unaccompanied
- (3) homeless youth. Colorado residents, age 15 and older, who are properly
- (4) defined as unaccompanied homeless youth, will be authorized and
- (5) empowered to consult any health care providers not prohibited by law.
- (6) Unaccompanied homeless youth will be provided health insurance under
- (7) Health First Colorado, Colorado's Medicaid program. Enrollment fees for
- (8) homeless youth will be covered under Medicaid Benefits. A person who in
- (9) good faith consents or authorizes health care treatment or procedures for
- (10) another as provided by this bill may not be subject to civil liability.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: Health care providers failing to comply with this bill

- (2) can be subject to the following:
  - (3) a. Civil liability
  - (4) b. A fine up to \$10,000 (varying by case)
  - (5) c. Suspension of medical practice and/or
  - (6) d. Exclusion from federal health care programs

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: The current Medicaid Budget of about \$8  
(2) billion will increase by \$125 million. The funds can be split as see fit  
(3) between an allocation of moneys from Colorado Departments: K-12  
(4) Education, Human Services, and Public Safety to Colorado Health Care Policy  
(5) and Financing.

Section 6. Enactment Clause: This bill will become effective at the beginning  
(2) of fiscal year 2018-2019.

Section 7. Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds,  
(2) determines and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of  
(3) public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 3-303\_\_

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Melina Harris, William C. Hinkley High School (T.F.)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: INCREASE FUNDING OF THE “WHAT’S NEXT” CAMPAIGN

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions: “Recreational marijuana” as the use of marijuana relating to or denoting  
(2) said drug taken on an occasional basis for enjoyment. “Youth” as the period between  
(3) childhood and adult age. “What’s Next’ campaign” as the teen educational campaign under  
(4) the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment. “Marijuana tax” as the existing  
(5) tax on the sale of recreational marijuana in the State of Colorado.

Section 2. Purpose: This bill is necessary to improve the health and general wellbeing of the  
(2) youth in our state, for the dangers of marijuana negatively impacting youth has become more  
(3) prevalent since the legalization of recreational marijuana.

Section 3. Provisions: 500,000 additional dollars will be allocated from the marijuana tax to the  
(2) What’s Next campaign and their fund to increase their efforts of educating the Youth on the  
(3) use of recreational marijuana.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: Failure to increase the amount of youth they reach (whether in real  
(2) life or virtually) will result in the allocated funds to be taken away from the What’s Next  
(3) Campaign and back to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment.

Section 5. Appropriation Clause: An additional 500,000 dollars will be appropriated from the  
(2) existing Marijuana tax per year to the existing funds of the What’s Next Campaign.

Section 6. Enactment Clause: This bill will become effective 90 days after the Governor’s  
(2) signing it.

Section 7. Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and  
(2) declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program

Model Legislature

S.B. 3-304

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Alicia Wu, Fairview High School

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: INCREASE EDUCATIONAL AND MEDICAL BENEFITS FOR INFORMAL KINSHIP CARE

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions: As used in this act, the following definitions shall apply: Kinship care is  
(2) the care of children by close family friends or relatives. Formal kinship care is when the  
(3) caregiver becomes a licensed foster parent. Informal kinship care is when the caregiver  
(4) volunteers to take care of the child without official custody.

Section 2. Purpose: 130,000 children in the United States are under formal kinship care. 2.4  
(2) million children are under informal kinship care. These numbers are increasing each year  
(3) because of issues like the opioid epidemic. Children living in formal kinship have access to  
(4) government services, but they are often visited by child protective services, have to make  
(5) regular court appearances, and have to undergo caregiver training. This can be disruptive to  
(6) the child and the caregiver. When opting to informal kinship, there is less official  
(7) involvement, but there is a limited access to resources that help the child grow. Because of  
(8) the lack of legal custody under informal kinship, caregivers have a hard time enrolling kids in  
(9) school and receiving medical care.

Section 3. Provisions: All children under informal kinship care will get an automatic enrollment  
(2) in the neighborhood school district. A specialized kinship program will also be integrated to

(3) reach down in the community. The program will also coordinate with other service systems  
(4) such as the educational system, mental health system, or district courts to raise awareness on  
(5) kinship care.

Section 4: Penalty: No penalty clause.

Section 5: Appropriations: Funding for this program will come from income taxes and education  
(2) funds.

Section 6: Enactment Clause: This bill will come into effect as soon as it is passed.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and  
(2) declares that this act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program

Model Legislature

S.B. 3-305

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: [Vadim Mathys, Alexander Kokoshinskiy, Linda Hussein] (Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: AMEND S.B. 10-189 BY MANDATING INSTALLATION OF LIFE SAVING SERVICES AT OPERATING SYRINGE EXCHANGE PROGRAM (SEP) LOCATIONS AND CHANGING THE NUMBER OF SUCH LOCATION BASED ON AMOUNT OF DRUG USERS.

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions: As used in this bill, a “syringe exchange program location” is any

- (1) location that allows registered injecting drug users (IDUs) to obtain hypodermic needles and
- (2) associated paraphernalia at little or no cost, as defined by S.B. 10-189. “Life saving services”
- (3) is a system which allows a supervisor to check in with users every two to three minutes and
- (4) save their life in case of overdosage by means of an intercom system, an automatic system to
- (5) unlock the door to the room where the user is, and an overdose reversing drug like naloxone.
- (6) A “drug user” is any person that misuses prescription drugs; this number can be found
- (7) through the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE).

Section 2. Purpose: This bill is necessary in order to reduce amount of fatal overdoses among

- (2) drug users and to offer a short-term solution for Colorado’s state of public emergency due to
- (3) the overuse of prescription drugs.

Section 3. Provisions: This bill amends S.B. 10-189 so that the amount of syringe exchange

- (2) program locations is determined by the number of drug users reported in each county. This
- (3) bill orders that there be a SEP location for every 7,000 drug users within a county. If there

(4) are fewer than 7,000 users, it is within the county's board of health's jurisdiction to approve  
(5) or reject such locations. If the number of drug users decreases over time to less than 7,000,  
(6) then it is within the county's board of health's jurisdiction to decide whether or not to  
(7) continue to provide SEP services. Additionally, this bill mandates that all existing and future  
(8) SEP locations install a life saving service, which does not break statute § 18-7-801. Up to two  
(9) thousand dollars will be provided to each existing SEP location in order to install and  
(10) maintain the life saving services. Up to five thousand dollars will be provided to create each  
(11) new SEP location. The amount of money will be determined and provided by the Colorado  
(12) Department of Human Services. Finally, this bill shall be reevaluated every year in order to  
(13) make necessary alterations to accommodate changing requirements, until drug overdoses no  
(14) longer create a state of public health emergency.

Section 4. Penalty: If new and updated SEP locations are not completed by the designated date,  
(2) the county's board of health will be fined two thousand dollars monthly until they are able to  
(3) fulfill the requirements set by this bill.

Section 5: Appropriations: One hundred thousand dollars will be allocated to the Colorado  
(2) Department of Human Services, which will be used to build, update and maintain SEP  
(3) locations, and to enforce this bill. Any revenue generated by the penalties of this bill will also  
(4) be used to fund the aforementioned services.

Section 6: Enactment Clause: Counties will be required to begin construction/installation or  
(2) plans for construction/installation by January 31, 2018. Construction shall be completed by  
(3) August 31, 2018. Funding will be activated immediately following its signing by the  
(4) governor.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and  
(2) declares that this ACT is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 3-306

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Qing Hu (Hendrikson and Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: LIMIT MARIJUANA PURCHASES

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions: Marijuana- according to the Merriam Webster dictionary, is defined as

(2) “the dried leaves and flowering tops of the pistillate hemp plant that yield THC and are

(3) smoked in cigarettes for their intoxicating effect”

(4) Adult- any person 21 years of age or over

(5) Minor- any person below the age of 21

Section 2. Purpose: to limit the number of black markets exporting marijuana in Colorado and to

(2) help reduce addiction rates and abuse in both adults and minors for the health of the people.

Section 3. Provisions: this bill will help limit the amount of marijuana purchased by an adult. As

(2) of now, the Colorado law currently says that a maximum of 28 grams of marijuana can be

(3) purchased **per transaction**. Transactions will be limited to once per month, or twelve per

(4) year. The total limit per **adult** would be 336 grams of marijuana per year. The (5)marijuana

(5) must be consumed only by the person who purchased it and may not be (6)distributed to any

(6) other person, adult or minor.



Section 4: Penalty: If someone violates this law, they will be fined up to \$10,000 or 6 months in (2) jail on the first offense. The second offense they would go to 3 years in prison and be (3) sentenced to 400 hours of community service after being released from prison OR they could (4) opt to pay a hefty fine of \$50,000.

Section 5: Appropriations: 50 million dollars will be appropriated jointly from the Drug (2) Enforcement agency (DEA) and the Colorado State Fund. Taxes from marijuana purchases (3) will also be appropriated to this law. This money will be used to fund this law.

Section 6: Enactment Clause: This law will go into effect 30 days after the governor signs this (2) bill.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and (2) declares that this ACT is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth & Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 3-307\_\_\_\_  
H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored by: Saben Brooks, Gateway High School, and MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: HAVE EVERY COUNTY IN COLORADO IMPLEMENT A LITTLE LEAGUE  
BASEBALL ORGANIZATION

Section 1. Definitions: Little League is a baseball or softball team separated into age groups of  
(2) kids such as 6-8, 8-10, 10-12, and 12-14. I propose that a Little League be incorporated in all  
(3) counties in the sports of baseball and softball to get kids interacting in their communities at a  
(4) young age

Section 2. Purpose: I feel this bill is necessary to lower future crime rates in large cities. If we  
(2) can incorporate kids into their communities young, this will give them a hobby for their  
(3) whole life and this will lead to them being less likely to commit a crime when they are over  
(4) the age of 18.

Section 3. Provisions: I want each county to create a baseball complex consisting of 4 baseball  
(2) fields. 3 of these fields will be a distance of 300 feet from home plate to the outfield fence all  
(3) the way around the field and one of these fields will be 200 feet from home plate to the  
(4) outfield fence all the way around and this will be the designated softball field. Each county is  
(5) required to schedule one game every day of the week and 3 games on Saturday. Each team  
(6) will NOT play more than 2 games a week.

Section 4. Penalty Clause: Any county that does not participate will not receive any state funds  
(2) the following year for recreational activities.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause: The state of Colorado will allot \$100,000 dollars to build  
(2) these complexes and baseball fields. This will come out of the taxes that Colorado taxpayers  
(3) pay to the state. This will be used to buy chain link for the fences of the baseball fields and  
(4) the fence around the complex. This will also be used to pay for a shed at the complex that has all  
(5) the necessities for maintaining a baseball field, i.e. Diamond Dry, field chalk, spray paint,  
(6) field drag, etc.

Section 6. Enactment Clause: This bill will become effective on January 1, 2018. This will  
(2) mark the beginning of planning where to put the baseball field complex in each county.

Section 7. Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines, and  
(2) declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace, and safety

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 3-308

H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Sheridan Prince, Gateway High School, MW

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: REQUIRE A SEX EDUCATION COURSE TO GRADUATE HIGH SCHOOL

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado

Section 1. Definitions:

- (1) Sex Education- Sex education is a broad term used to describe education about human sexual anatomy, sexual reproduction, sexual intercourse, and other aspects of human sexual behavior. ("Sex Education." *ScienceDaily*. ScienceDaily, n.d. Web. 01 Nov. 2016.)
- (2) High School- The state or private institution spanning 9-12 grades
- (3) Graduation- To receive a diploma from the school in which the student is enrolled

Section 2. Purpose: This bill is important to decrease teen pregnancy, STDs, increase graduation rates, increase the wellbeing of children and decrease health and foster care costs.

- (2) Requiring sex education will raise awareness of protection
- (3) Thus will decrease teen pregnancy rates
- (4) Decrease the rate of STDs in Colorado
- (5) Will decrease the large amount and range of developmental problems for children born to teen mothers
- (6) Will decrease health and foster care costs in Colorado

Section 3. Provisions: This bill is designed to change the law in which a Colorado student is, by law,

- (2) Allowed to graduate high school without a sex education course

Section 4. Penalty Clause: Schools that do not enact this as a graduation requirement in the time permitted will be subjected to pay a fine of 1000 dollars for the first year, 2000 the second year, 3000 the third year and so on and so forth.

Section 5. Appropriations Clause This clause is necessary if your bill requires the

- (2) expenditure of money. If the appropriations of money is coming from an existing state (3) fund, specify:
  - (4) a. No money would be required from the state to be appropriated
  - (5) b. The school districts not already teaching sex education will be able to apply for the grant program outlined in law HB 1081

Section 6. Enactment Clause Enactment clauses tell when the bill will become effective.  
(2) The funds will become available upon the Governor's signature and all requirements of the  
(3)bill will be enacted after a single school year of the bill being signed

Section 7. Safety Clause The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines  
(2)and declares that this Act is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.

YMCA Colorado Youth in Government Program  
Model Legislature

S.B. 3-309  
H.B. \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored By: Nikaash Maheshwari (Paa-Rogers)

Committee Action: \_\_\_\_\_

AN ACT TO: MAKE VEGAN LUNCH OPTIONS MANDATORY IN ALL PUBLIC K-12 SCHOOLS

Be it enacted by the 2017 YMCA Model Legislature of the State of Colorado:

Section 1. Definitions : As used in this act, the following definitions shall apply:

- (2)Vegan is defined as someone who abstains from the consumption of animal products,
- (3)particularly in diet.

Section 2. Purpose: Veganism is at an all-time high here in Colorado. Providing a lunch option

- (2)for these people will not only be inclusive of this group, but it would also increase sales of
- (3)school lunches, furthering education funding towards public schools.

Section 3. Provisions : This bill would require a vegan lunch option to be supplied in all public

- (2)K-12 schools.

Section 4: Penalty: Should a public school violate this act, a fine of \$5,000 will be administered

- (2)to the school.

Section 5: Appropriations: This bill will be paid for by the Colorado Department of Education,

- (2)which handles everything related to school nutrition programs. Additionally, the money
- (3)collected from the penalty clause will be reinvested back into the program.

Section 6: Enactment Clause: This bill will go into effect during the next school year, providing

- (2)adequate time for vegan options to be sourced.

Section 7: Safety Clause: The YMCA Model General Assembly hereby finds, determines and

- (2)declares that this ACT is necessary for the preservation of public health, peace and safety.