

Report the Session 108th Day

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Friends and Neighbors,

HB22-1129 General Fund Surplus Rebates To Taxpayers

...from Governor Polis?

The Republican backed initiative and Commitment to Colorado Bill that I sponsored to issue a general tax rebate has... well... stalled in committee, while the Governor has decided to steal the idea and make it his own. Governor Polis announced that all Colorado taxpayers will receive \$400 this summer. While it is lovely to have a bit of extra cash in your pocket, don't forget why Polis is doing this: to bribe Colorado voters into reelecting him this fall.

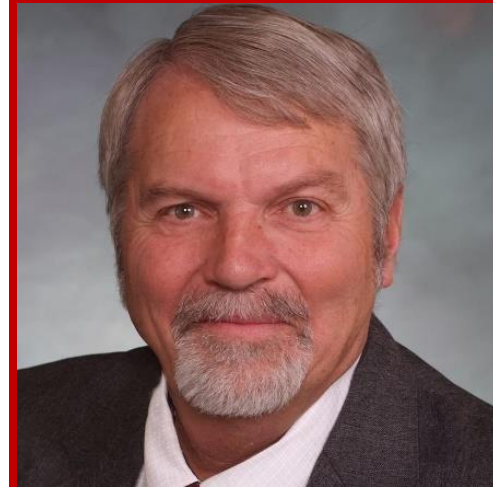
Polis is promising a flat rate of \$400 for every taxpayer, which is contrary to current law; to get around this he is attempting to change that law through the legislature. Under the current system, the rebate would be respective to the amount you pay in tax, meaning the more tax you pay, the more you will receive in a rebate. Under Polis's proposed rebate, the lowest taxpayers would receive an extra \$124. It's not the biggest of impacts, but it's certainly a step towards further socialist redistribution policies that Polis and his Democrats are continuing to push.

SB22-053 Health Facility Visitation During Pandemic

This Bill has been stuck in committee as we negotiate how it will proceed further. Fortunately, there has been a growing support for the Bill; in the Senate it passed with flying colors, 23-10-2, drawing on significant Democrat support. Senator Sonnenberg has done an incredible job cultivating support from across the isle, now Republicans must do the same in the House. We are receiving growing support, but the trick will be garnering the support of Democrat leadership to move the Bill forward, procedurally speaking. Regardless of our recent success, as we are rapidly approaching the end of the session, getting this Bill passed will still be an uphill battle.

Faithfully,

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