

# Report on the 2022 Session 27<sup>th</sup> Day

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Friends and Neighbors,

We've finally kicked off this legislative session running the bills to support our Republican Commitment to Colorado. Many of our bills are focused on making Colorado more affordable, prioritizing our public safety, and expanding Coloradans' educational choice.

Bills are finally being heard in committees and are making their way to the floor. My bill, HB22-1013, has been approved by the House Committee on Energy & Environment and been sent to the Committee on Appropriations to be allotted a budget. The success of this bill has been a small but sweet relief in a time when the urban-rural divide is greater than ever.

Many people around Colorado, including many of you, watched last week as SB22-031: 'Prohibit Hunting Bobcat Lynx And Mountain Lion' was Killed in committee. This bill would have banned the hunting of Mountain Lion's, Bobcat's, and Lynx. This was a short-sighted and downright destructive measure that would have ruined the ecological balance of Colorado. In-fact, Colorado Parks and Wildlife feverously opposed such a ban and had turned down previous attempts to ban big-cat hunting as early as last year. While I am truly grateful this bill failed in committee, its introduction and subsequent popularity among the Democrats is proof we Republicans must put our best efforts forward to protect Colorado and our western way of life.

We've got a whole session ahead of us and lots to do so stay tuned for what is to come!

Faithfully,

Representative Rod Pelton

## Important Bills to Watch

**HB22-1013:** This bill seeks to create a grant program designed to fund rural 'Microgrid' projects, through awarding grants, in the least resilient communities of rural Colorado. A 'Microgrid', when installed, will allow a community to keep their lights on when a storm knocks out a town's powerline connection to the powerplant, or some other disconnection is caused in the grid.

**HB22-1129:** This bill authorizes a rebate of \$1.8 billion through Coloradan's income tax returns for the 2022 tax year. The tax return is equivalent to the estimate surplus the state will have after the 2021-2022 fiscal year.

**SB22-053:** Introduced in the Senate, this bill guarantees the right of patents to have family visitors while they are hospitalized with a disease. This way families can provide the support patients need to fight through a life-threatening illness.



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