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Read more details on these Ballot Measures inside!

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**STATE LEGISLATIVE CANDIDATES**

The Colorado Association of REALTORS® Political Action Committee (CARPAC), based in part on recommendations by a team of REALTORS® who interviewed candidates for these races, endorsed the following candidates:

**SENATE**

- |                      |                      |                                |                          |
|----------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------|
| SD 2 – Dennis Hisey  | SD 9 – Paul Lundeen* | SD 16 – Tim Neville*           | SD 32 – Robert Rodriguez |
| SD 3 – Leroy Garcia* | SD 11 – Pete Lee*    | SD 22 – Brittany Pettersen     |                          |
| SD 6 – Don Coram*    | SD 13 – John Cooke   | SD 24 – Beth Martinez-Humenik* |                          |
| SD 7 – Ray Scott     | SD 15 – Rob Woodward | SD 30 – Chris Holbert**        |                          |

**HOUSE**

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|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| HD 1 – Susan Lontine*            | HD 18 – Marc Snyder         | HD 34 – Kyle Mullica       | HD 53 – Jeni Arndt*        |
| HD 2 – Alec Garnett**            | HD 19 – Tim Geitner         | HD 35 – Shannon Byrd       | HD 54 – Matt Soper         |
| HD 3 – Jeff Bridges*             | HD 20 – Terri Carver**      | HD 36 – Mike Weissman**    | HD 55 – Janice Rich        |
| HD 4 – Serena Gonzales-Gutierrez | HD 21 – Lois Landgraf       | HD 37 – Cole Wist          | HD 56 – Rod Bockenfeld     |
| HD 5 – Alex Valdez               | HD 22 – Colin Larson        | HD 38 – Susan Beckman*     | HD 57 – Bob Rankin*        |
| HD 6 – Chris Hansen*             | HD 24 – Monica Duran        | HD 40 – Janet Buckner*     | HD 58 – Marc Catlin*       |
| HD 7 – James Coleman*            | HD 25 – Steven Szutenbach   | HD 43 – Kevin Van Winkle** | HD 59 – Barbara McLachlan* |
| HD 11 – Jonathan Singer*         | HD 26 – Dylan Roberts       | HD 45 – Patrick Neville    | HD 60 – James Wilson*      |
| HD 13 – KC Becker*               | HD 27 – Vicki Pyne          | HD 47 – Brianna Buentello  | HD 61 – Julie McCluskie    |
| HD 14 – Shane Sandridge          | HD 28 – Kerry Tipper        | HD 49 – Perry Buck*        | HD 62 – Donald Valdez*     |
| HD 15 – Dave Williams*           | HD 29 – Tracy Kraft-Tharp** | HD 50 – Michael Thuener    | HD 65 – Rod Pelton         |
| HD 16 – Larry Liston*            | HD 31 – Rico Figueroa       | HD 51 – Hugh McKean*       |                            |
|                                  | HD 33 – Matt Gray**         | HD 52 – Joann Ginal*       |                            |

\*Friendly Incumbents  
\*\*Legislators of the Year

**CONGRESSIONAL CANDIDATES**

The national REALTOR® Political Action Committee (RPAC), based on recommendations from the Political Survival Committee (PSC) has endorsed the following congressional candidates:

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|------------------------------|----------------------|
| U.S. Senate – Michael Bennet | CD 5 – Doug Lamborn  |
| CD 1 – Diana DeGette         | CD 6 – Mike Coffman  |
| CD 3 – Scott Tipton          | CD 7 – Ed Perlmutter |
| CD 4 – Ken Buck              |                      |

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## BALLOT MEASURES

### AMENDMENTS Y AND Z – CONGRESSIONAL AND LEGISLATIVE REDISTRICTING

#### WHAT ARE AMENDMENTS Y & Z?

- Allows for independent commissions to draw political maps with new rules for fair and competitive districts
- Commissions are composed of four Republicans, four Democrats and 4 Unaffiliated
- Provides clear criteria for map drawing and prohibits gerrymandering and incumbent protection
- Maximizes competitive districts and allows for true representation of the state's political makeup
- Allows for open meetings and improved public records and ethical standards



#### WHY SHOULD YOU VOTE YES ON AMENDMENTS Y AND Z ?

CAR supports Amendments Y and Z. The current map drawing system for state and congressional districts need reform. Colorado could receive an eight congressional seat after the Census due to increased population growth. Competitive districts enable policy makers to engage different opposing points of view resulting in better public policy for everyone. CAR supports a fair system that allows all Colorado voters to be equally heard in their elections.

### AMENDMENT 73 – FUNDING FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS

#### WHAT IS AMENDMENT 73?

- Raises \$1.6 billion in taxes in three ways:
  - o Creates a progressive income tax system, impacting individuals and families jointly earning \$150,000 per year
  - o Increases the corporate tax rate from 4.63 percent to 6 percent, negatively impacting the state's competitive advantage
  - o Increases residential property taxes



#### WHY YOU SHOULD VOTE NO ON AMENDMENT 73?

CAR opposes Amendment 73. CAR strongly believes education should be a top priority for the state—we too want more funding to support the success of our schools, students and teachers. However, Amendment 73 is not the right approach. 97% of Colorado businesses are classified as small businesses. CAR, alone, represents over 26,000 REALTORS® from across the state, identified as small business owners who would be subject to this burdensome taxation. The cost of housing in Colorado make its very difficult for residents to pursue the American dream of homeownership. Amendment 73 would exacerbate the matter and create a barrier to homeownership.

### AMENDMENT 74 – JUST COMPENSATION FOR REDUCTION IN FAIR MARKET VALUE BY GOVERNMENT LAW OR REGULATION (THE "TAKINGS" INITIATIVE)

#### WHAT IS AMENDMENT 74?

- Adds 11 words to the Colorado Constitution that would allow a jury versus a judge to decide whether your property has been damaged
- Municipal governments would be on the hook to pay any fees along with damage associated with litigation
- This measure was filed in response to the proposed setback requirements for new oil and gas development, including fracking, in the state of Colorado (see Proposition 112 below)



#### WHY SHOULD YOU VOTE NO ON AMENDMENT 74?

CAR opposes Amendment 74. Amendment 74 is filled with many unintended consequences harmful to taxpayers and detrimental to the well-being of Colorado's economy. It would expose state and city governments to timely and expensive lawsuits. This could cause municipal governments to cut spending and/or increase taxation or fees on Colorado's taxpayers. Similar measures have been attempted and in other states across the country and have ultimately cost taxpayers billions of dollars within the first few years.

### PROPOSITION 110 – AUTHORIZE SALES TAX AND BONDS FOR TRANSPORTATION PROJECTS (LET'S GO COLORADO)

#### WHAT IS PROPOSITION 110?

- Creates a 0.62 temporary sales tax for 20 years
- Allocates 45% of funds to state transportation needs, 40% to local governments (city and county) and 15% to multi-modal projects
- Permits the state to borrow \$5 billion to address current and future transportation infrastructure needs
- Creates accountability—citizen oversight commission will be formed to ensure dollars go to identified state and local project list



#### WHY SHOULD YOU VOTE YES ON PROPOSITION 110?

CAR supports Proposition 110. Colorado's transportation needs have been underserved for decades. Although effort has been made to allocate dollars from the General Fund, it isn't enough to address the Colorado Department of Transportation's (CDOT) \$9 billion deficit. Revenue from Colorado's gas tax continues to diminish as electric vehicles become more popular. The state's current revenue stream does not allow us to keep up with today's infrastructure needs or technological advancements. Proposition 110 provides a new, sustainable revenue stream to meet the state's growing infrastructure needs. It allows local communities to address their pressing needs and ensures all transportation users, including tourists, contribute.

### PROPOSITION 112 – INCREASED SETBACK REQUIREMENTS FOR OIL AND NATURAL GAS

#### WHAT IS PROPOSITION 112?

- Increases the distance between oil and gas development and occupied facilities and "vulnerable areas" from current statute of 500 feet to 2,500 feet
- "Vulnerable area" is defined as playgrounds, homes, schools, hospitals, sports fields, drinking water sources, irrigation canals, reservoirs, lakes, rivers, streams, and any vulnerable area designated by the government
- Would result in a loss of \$7-9 billion in state and local tax revenue



#### WHY SHOULD YOU VOTE NO ON PROPOSITION 112?

CAR opposes Proposition 112. Responsible oil and gas development plays an important role in Colorado's energy economy. The REMI Common Sense Policy Roundtable study found that over 82% of all oil and gas revenue goes directly to the local communities where the production activity occurs. This funding supports schools, housing and other critically important local programs. Proposition 112 could have a devastating effect on Colorado's economy, with the potential to eliminate between 62% and 80% of annual new oil and gas development in the state and diminish job opportunities for Coloradans (the oil and gas industry provides nearly 50,000 jobs). 77% of all jobs lost would in fact be outside of the oil and gas industry. As the voice of Real Estate, we represent all property rights, including both surface and mineral rights. And Proposition 112 would detrimentally impact mineral rights owners.

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