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Legislative Scorecard
The Arc of Colorado
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# The Arc of Colorado 2022 Summary of Legislation

The 2022 Legislative Session ended on May 11, 2022. After two years of non-traditional Legislative Sessions due to the pandemic, this year felt much more normal as the General Assembly convened on January 12, 2022, and continued, uninterrupted, for the full 120 days.

One of the dominant issues was how to allocate over \$1 billion in federal funds that Colorado received in federal stimulus. These are onetime dollars that need to be spent over the next two or three years leading to bills that create new grant programs for various things including a major investment in expanding behavioral health services, housing, education, workforce, and diverting/redirecting people out of the criminal justice system.

### **Behavioral Health**

2022 was an historic year for behavioral health (BH) legislation. In total, The Arc of Colorado tracked about 15 bills dealing with behavioral and mental health, including the bill that establishes the new Behavioral Health Administration and all the bills that came out of last year's interim behavioral health transformational task force, of which the Arc network of chapters and executives were a part. The BH bills allocated over \$450 million in federal American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds and were a direct result of the recommendations of the task force. Just a few of these BH bills are listed below.

The new **Behavioral Health Administration**, authorized by <u>HB21-1097</u> and made reality by <u>HB22-1278</u> overhauls how Colorado's mental and behavioral health (BH) systems deliver services, with engagement from behavioral health providers, advocates, and community leaders. It faced little resistance even with 33 added amendments including language amendments from The Arc of Colorado. The language amendments included the following: AND INDIVIDUALS WITH DISABILITIES AS DEFINED IN THE AMERICANS WITH DISABILITIES ACT, IRRESPECTIVE OF PRIMARY DIAGNOSIS, CO-OCCURRING CONDITIONS, OR IF THEY REQUIRE ASSISTANCE WITH ACTIVITIES OF DAILY LIVING OR INSTRUMENTAL ACTIVITIES OF DAILY LIVING, AS DEFINED IN TITLE 12. This language was drafted and included as amendments to ensure that people with disabilities are no longer refused services based on these conditions.

<u>HB22-1214</u> Behavioral Health Crisis Response System – This bill requires crisis system facilities and programs, including crisis walk-in centers and mobile crisis programs, to meet minimum standards to provide mental health and substance use disorder services. The bill clarifies that crisis system facilities and programs shall provide behavioral health services to individuals experiencing a substance use disorder crisis. Mobile crisis programs and crisis walk-in centers shall provide crisis services to any individual, including youth of any age.

<u>HB22-1303</u> Increase Residential Behavioral Health Beds – The bill requires an increase in the number of residential behavioral health beds and requires licensing of the new provider type, mental health residential facilities. This bill grants \$29.8 million to the Department of Human Services to accomplish these requirements.



SB22-102 Transparency Out-of-home Placements Developmental Disabilities - This bill requires the state department of human services to promote additional rules relating to children and youth with intellectual and developmental disabilities who are in out-of-home placements. The additional rules include access to the interdisciplinary appeals review panel for the appeals process for children and youth who have been determined to be ineligible for the program of services for children who have been placed out of the home. The bill allows for additional members to the review panel.

## **Education**

Improvements to education access and funding were also a high priority in 2022. The Arc of Colorado tracked and supported several education related bills this session. The concerns addressed ranged from higher education access for people with IDD to creating more supportive environments for students and addressing Special Education funding. Below are just a few of the bills we worked on and tracked.

<u>HB22-1107</u> Inclusive Higher Education Opportunities - The bill creates in the department of higher education the inclusive higher education grant program to provide grants to state institutions of higher education for the purpose of establishing, or expanding existing, inclusive higher education programs for students with intellectual and developmental disabilities.

<u>HB22-1376</u> Supportive Learning Environments For K-12 Students – This bill promotes safe, supportive schools by requiring public access to district level disaggregated information, better data collection on

disciplinary incidents, updating restraint and seclusion policies and promoting best practices and training for school security staff. The bill updates Colorado's policies, practices, and data frameworks to make data about students' experiences at school more transparent and to ensure that every student learns in an environment that is positive, safe, and inclusive.

<u>HB22-1295</u> Department Early Childhood and Universal Preschool Program - This bill establishes the duties of the department of early childhood and the executive director of the department, relocates early childhood programs from the departments of human services and education to the department of early childhood, and creates the Colorado universal preschool program.

# **Workforce / HCBS**

The Arc also worked to support bills regarding our community's direct care, HCBS workforce, financial empower for people living with disabilities, improved access and coverage for behavioral health modalities, better access to transportation and protecting community members needing behavioral health services from falling into the criminal justice system unfairly. Here are some of those bills.

<u>SB22-181</u> Behavioral Health-care Workforce – This bill allocated \$72.2 million to the Behavioral Health Administration to collaborate with multiple agencies to create and implement a plan to



improve the behavioral health care workforce, including funding for the Health Services Corps for student loan repayment, and funding to the state Community College System for job shadowing, internship, incentives, loan repayment,

<u>HB22- 1188</u> ARPA American Rescue Plan Act Money for Home- And Community-based Services - This bill authorizes money in the ARPA account within the healthcare affordability and sustainability fee cash fund to be used for home- and community-based services that are ineligible for a federal match but otherwise authorized pursuant to the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021.

<u>SB22-077</u> Interstate Licensed Professional Counselor Compact - This bill creates the adoption of an interstate compact to allow a person who is a licensed professional counselor in the person's state of residence to practice professional counseling in a compact state in which the person is not licensed. It ensures that all people, including people with disabilities, will be afforded access to licensed professional counselors. This is a simple solution to ensure critical workforce expansion in the field of professional counseling to address the behavioral health crisis across the country and in Colorado.

## **Medicaid / Financial Empowerment**

<u>HB22-1068</u> Medicaid Reimbursement for Therapy Using Equines – This bill allows for Medicaid reimbursement for therapy using equine movement when provided by a physical therapist, an occupational therapist, or a speech-language pathologist.

<u>HB22-1114</u> Transportation Services for Medicaid Waiver Recipients – This bill authorizes a transportation network company to provide nonmedical transportation services to persons who are enrolled in certain Medicaid waiver programs. This bill improves the lives of people with intellectual and developmental disabilities (IDD) by eliminating barriers when it comes to choices in transportation. Covering private transportation under certain Medicaid waiver services will allow people with IDD to participate more fully in their communities, employment, recreation, and relationships.

HB22-1320 Achieving A Better Life Experience Savings Accounts – This bill creates a more inclusive and equitable path to financial security for Coloradoans who experience disabilities. The new law implements significant improvements in three key areas impacting access and ease of use, security of savings, and additional tax benefits for Coloradoans to create sustainable financial independence through long-term savings. Under the new law the State may no longer file certain claims against an ABLE account upon the death of the designated beneficiary. Known as the Medicaid claw-back, the previous practice allowed for the capture of funds to reimburse certain Medicaid expenses, and ultimately discouraged participation by placing private savings at risk. It also enhances the tax benefits for Colorado ABLE savings accounts, providing a dollar-for-dollar State tax deduction for contributions made into a Colorado ABLE account. And, to broaden access and ease of use, a person other than the



individual with a disability can now open and administer an ABLE account on behalf of a person with disabilities.

## **Criminal Justice**

<u>SB22-099</u> Sealing Criminal Records - Beginning July 1, 2024, this bill allows automatic record sealing (rather than having to petition the court) for all offenses that are currently eligible to be sealed and requires 3rd party vendors to remove any sealed records from their databases. Law enforcement will still have access to conviction records. It also clarifies and streamlines the record sealing process and requires annual reports to be published.

<u>SB22-021</u> Treatment Behavioral Health Disorders Justice System - This bill repeals the mental health diversion pilot program and instead expands existing pretrial diversion programs to intentionally identify and focus diversion programs on individuals with a behavioral health disorder (meaning anyone with an addiction and/or mental health disorder).

The Arc of Colorado and the Arc Chapters worked extensively with community leaders, legislators, service providers, and community member advocates to support the passage of these bills. All our support bills were passed this session. And while all were not by unanimous vote, and a few amended, we were fortunate enough to have bipartisan support on most of them.

We are looking forward to the 2023 legislative session which starts January 9<sup>th</sup>. See you there!

The Arc of Colorado



#### **Note on Process**

In this year's The Arc of Colorado Legislative Scorecard, we highlight our 5 priority-bill wins: HB22-1107, HB22-1114, HB22-1303, HB22-1320 and HB22-1376.

For each representative and senator, we calculated the number of votes that coincided with our position of support on each of the five bills. Each legislator was given an A - F grade, scoring them on how often they voted in accordance with the position of the Arc of Colorado.

A = Supported all 5 bills

B = Supported 4 bills

C = Supported 2 or 3 bills

D = Supported 1 bill

F = Did not support any of the five bills

#### A Note on the Intended Use of this Scorecard

This scorecard is not intended to manipulate votes or to provide a complete history of the work of these legislators. It is our intention that constituents be able to look at this scorecard to see how their legislators voted this session. With this information, constituents may contact their state senators and representatives and express their interests and needs. You can find your local legislator here: <a href="https://leg.colorado.gov/findmylegislator">https://leg.colorado.gov/findmylegislator</a>



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NAME	DISTRICT		COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP	HB22-1303 Increase Residential Behavioral Health Beds	Recipients	HB22-1107 Inclusive Higher Education Opportunities	HB22-1376 Supportive Learning Environments For K-12 Students	HB22-1320 Achieving A Better Life Experience Savings Accounts	LEGISLATOR GRADE ON OUR PRIORITY BILLS
Amabile, Judy	13	Democrat	Business Affairs & Labor Member State, Civic, Military and Veterans Affairs Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Bacon, Jennifer	7	Democrat	Judiciary Member State, Civic, Military and Veterans Affairs Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Baisley, Mark	39	Republican	Appropriations Member Education Member Health & Insurance Member Joint Education Member	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	С
Benavidez, Adrienne	32	Democrat	Finance Member Judiciary Member Legislative Council Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Bernett, Tracey	12	Democrat	Energy & Environment Member State, Civic, Military and Veterans Affairs Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Bird, Shannon	35	Democrat	Finance Chair Business Affairs & Labor Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Bockenfeld, Rod	56	Republican	Judiciary Member Legislative Audit Member State, Civic, Military and Veterans Affairs Member	Excused	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	В
Boesenecker, Andrew	53	Democrat		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Bradfield, Mary	21	Republican	Appropriations Member Finance Member Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	В
<u>Caraveo, Yadira</u>	31	Democrat	Health & Insurance Vice-Chair Education Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Carver, Terri	20	Republican	Judiciary Member Transportation & Local Government Member	Excused	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	В
Catlin, Marc	58	·	Agriculture, Livestock, & Water Member Transportation & Local Government Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	В
<u>Cutter, Lisa</u>	25	Democrat	Agriculture, Livestock, & Water Member Joint Education Member Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Daugherty, Lindsey	29	Democrat	Appropriations Member Finance Member Judiciary Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Duran, Monica	24	Democrat	Appropriations Member Business Affairs & Labor Member State, Civic, Military and Veterans Affairs Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Esgar, Daneya	46	Democrat	Executive Committee of the Legislative Council Member Legislative Council Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A



NAME	DISTRICT	PARTY	COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP	Increase Residential	HB22-1114 Transportation Services For Medicaid Waiver Recipients	HB22-1107 Inclusive Higher Education Opportunities	HB22-1376 Supportive Learning Environments For K-12 Students	HB22-1320 Achieving A Better Life Experience Savings Accounts	LEGISLATOR GRADE ON OUR PRIORITY BILLS
Exum, Tony	17	Democrat	Transportation & Local Government Chair Education Member Joint Education Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Froelich, Meg	3	Democrat	Energy & Environment Member Transportation & Local Government Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Garnett, Alec	2	Democrat	Executive Committee of the Legislative Council Vice-Chair Legislative Council Vice-Chair	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
<u>Geitner, Tim</u>	19	Republican	Education Member Joint Education Member Legislative Council Member State, Civic, Military and Veterans Affairs Member	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	С
Gonzales-Gutierrez, Serena	4	Democrat	Finance Member Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Gray, Matt	33	Democrat	Transportation & Local Government Vice- Chair Finance Member	Yes	Excused	Yes	Yes	Excused	A
Hanks, Ron	60	Republican	Health & Insurance Member State, Civic, Military and Veterans Affairs Member	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	С
Herod, Leslie	8	Democrat	Appropriations Chair Joint Budget Committee Member Legal Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Holtorf, Richard	64	Republican	Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Member Agriculture, Livestock, & Water Member	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	С
<u>Hooton, Edie</u>	10	Democrat	Capital Development Committee Chair Energy & Environment Vice-Chair Transportation & Local Government Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Jodeh, Iman	41	Democrat	Appropriations Member Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Kennedy, Chris	23	Democrat	State, Civic, Military and Veterans Affairs Chair Health & Insurance Member Legislative Council Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Kipp, Cathy	52	Democrat	Appropriations Member Education Member Finance Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Larson, Colin	22		Education Member Joint Education Member Legislative Audit Member Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	В
Lindsay, Mandy	42	Democrat	Agriculture, Livestock, & Water Transportation & Local Government NEW THIS SESSION	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А



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Lontine, Susan	1	Democrat	Capitol Building Advisory Committee Chair Health & Insurance Chair Agriculture, Livestock, & Water Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Luck, Stephanie	47	Republican	Finance Member Judiciary Member	No	No	No	No	Yes	С
Lynch, Mike	49	Republican	Business Affairs & Labor Member Judiciary Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	В
McCluskie, Julie	61	Democrat	Appropriations Vice-Chair Joint Budget Committee Vice-Chair	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
McCormick, Karen	11	Democrat	Agriculture, Livestock, & Water Vice- Chair Health & Insurance Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
McKean, Hugh	51	Republican	Executive Committee of the Legislative Council Member Legislative Council Member Statutory Revision Committee Member	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	В
McLachlan, Barbara	59	Democrat	Education Chair Joint Education Vice-Chair Agriculture, Livestock, & Water Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Michaelson Jenet, Dafna	30	Democrat	Legislative Audit Chair Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Chair Education Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Mullica, Kyle	34	Democrat	Joint Education Member Health & Insurance Member Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Neville, Patrick	45	Republican	Business Affairs & Labor Member	No	No	No	No	Yes	D
Ortiz, David	38	Democrat	Health & Insurance Member Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Pelton, Rod	65	Republican	Agriculture, Livestock, & Water Member Legislative Council Member Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Member	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	С
Pico, Andres	16	Republican	Energy & Environment Member Transportation & Local Government Member	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	С
Ransom, Kim	44	Republican	Appropriations Member Joint Budget Committee Member	No	No	No	No	Yes	D
Rich, Janice	55	Republican	Appropriations Member Capital Development Committee Member Finance Member State, Civic, Military and Veterans Affairs	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	С
Ricks, Naquetta	40	Democrat	Member Business Affairs & Labor Member Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A



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Roberts, Dylan	26	Democrat	Business Affairs & Labor Chair Agriculture, Livestock, & Water Member Judiciary Member Legislative Audit Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Sandridge, Shane	14	Republican	Business Affairs & Labor Member Finance Member	Yes	No	Yes	No	Yes	С
Sirota, Emily	9	Democrat	Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Vice-Chair Energy & Environment Member	Yes	Excused	Yes	Yes	Excused	A
Snyder, Marc	18	Democrat	Finance Vice-Chair Business Affairs & Labor Member Legal Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Soper, Matt	54	Republican	Energy & Environment Member Health & Insurance Member Legal Services Member	No	No	Yes	No	Yes	С
Sullivan, Tom	37	Democrat	Business Affairs & Labor Vice-Chair Transportation & Local Government Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Tipper, Kerry	28	Democrat	Judiciary Vice-Chair Appropriations Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
<u>Titone, Brianna</u>	27	Democrat	Joint Technology Committee Vice-Chair Energy & Environment Member Health & Insurance Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Valdez, Alex	5	Democrat	Energy & Environment Chair Capital Development Committee Member State, Civic, Military and Veterans Affairs Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Valdez, Donald	62	Democrat	Agriculture, Livestock, & Water Member Statutory Revision Committee Member Transportation & Local Government Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Van Beber, Tonya	48	Republican	Energy & Environment Member Health & Insurance Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	В
Weissman, Mike	36	Democrat	Judiciary Chair Energy & Environment Member Legal Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Will, Perry	57	Republican	Agriculture, Livestock, & Water Member Energy & Environment Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	В
<u>Williams, Dave</u>	15	Republican	Health & Insurance Member	No	No	No	No	Yes	D
Woodrow, Steven	6	Democrat	State, Civic, Military and Veterans Affairs Vice-Chair Judiciary Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Woog, Dan	63	Republican	Energy & Environment Member Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	В



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				Increase	Transportation	Inclusive	Supportive	Achieving A	GRADE ON
				Residential	Services For	Higher	Learning	Better Life	OUR
				Behavioral	Medicaid	Education	Environments	Experience	PRIORITY
				Health Beds	Waiver	Opportunities	For K-12	Savings	BILLS
					Recipients		Students	Accounts	BILLS
Young, Mary	50	Democrat	Education Vice-Chair Public & Behavioral Health & Human Services Me+D1:D66mber	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А



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Bridges, Jeff	26	Democrat	Joint Technology Committee Chair	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
			Finance Vice-Chair Education Member Joint Education Member						
Buckner, Janet	28	Democrat	Legal Services Member Education Member Health & Human Servivces Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Α
Coleman, James	33	Democrat	State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Vice-Chair Appropriations Member Business, Labor, & Technology Member Legislative Council Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Cooke, John	13	Republican	Judiciary Member Legal Services Member Legislative Council Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	В
Coram, Don	6		Agriculture & Natural Resources Member Transportation & Energy Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Danielson, Jessie	20	Democrat	Agriculture & Natural Resources Vice-Chair Business, Labor, & Technology Vice-Chair	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
<u>Donovan, Kerry</u>	5	Democrat	Agriculture & Natural Resources Chair Legislative Council Member Transportation & Energy Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Α
Fenberg, Stephen	18	Democrat	Executive Committee of the Legislative Council Member Legislative Council Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
<u>Fields, Rhonda</u>	29	Democrat	Health & Human Services Chair Agriculture & Natural Resources Member Capital Development Committee Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Gardner, Bob	12	Republican	Appropriations Member Judiciary Member Legal Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Excused	В
Ginal, Joann	14	Democrat	Local Government Chair Health & Human Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Gonzales, Julie	34		State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Chair Judiciary Vice-Chair Appropriations Member Legislative Audit Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Α
<u>Hansen, Chris</u>	31	Democrat	Appropriations Chair Joint Budget Committee Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Hinrichsen, Nick	3		Agriculture & Natural Resources Member NEW THIS SESSION	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
<u>Hisey, Dennis</u>	2	Republican	Finance Member Transportation & Energy Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А



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Holbert, Chris	30	Republican	RESIGNED THIS SESSION (Kevin Van Winkle will be Replcement)	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	С
Jaquez Lewis, Sonya	17	Democrat	Health & Human Services Member State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
<u>Kirkmeyer,</u> <u>Barbara</u>	23	Republican	Education Member Health & Human Services Member Local Government Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	В
Kolker, Chris	27	Democrat	Business, Labor, & Technology Member Local Government Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Lee, Pete	11	Democrat	Judiciary Chair Finance Member Legal Services Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
<u>Liston, Larry</u>	10	Republican	Business, Labor, & Technology Member Local Government Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	В
Lundeen, Paul	9	Republican	Education Member Finance Member Joint Education Member Legislative Council Member	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	С
Moreno, Dominick	21	Democrat	Joint Budget Committee Chair Appropriations Vice-Chair Capitol Building Advisory Committee Vice-Chair Legislative Council Member Statutory Revision Committee Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Pettersen, Brittany	22	Democrat	Finance Chair Transportation & Energy Vice-Chair	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Priola, Kevin	25	Republican	Business, Labor, & Technology Member Education Member Joint Technology Committee Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Rankin, Bob	8	Republican	Appropriations Member Joint Budget Committee Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А
Rodriguez, Robert	32	Democrat	Business, Labor, & Technology Chair Judiciary Member Legal Services Member Legislative Audit Member	Yes	Yes	Excused	Yes	Yes	A
Scott, Ray	7	Republican	Finance Member Transportation & Energy Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Simpson, Cleave	35	Republican	Health & Human Services Member State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A



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Smallwood, Jim	4	Republican	Legislative Audit Vice- Chair Health & Human Services Member Legislative Council Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Α
Sonnenberg, Jerry	1	Republican	Agriculture & Natural Resources Member Appropriations Member Capital Development Committee Member State, Veterans, & Military Affairs Member	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	В
Story, Tammy	16	Democrat	Capital Development Committee Vice-Chair Education Vice-Chair Local Government Vice- Chair Joint Education Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Α
Winter, Faith	24	Democrat	Transportation & Energy Chair Finance Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	A
Woodward, Rob	15	·	Statutory Revision Committee Chair Business, Labor, & Technology Member Legislative Audit Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	В
Zenzinger, Rachel	19	Democrat	Education Chair Statutory Revision Committee Vice-Chair Transportation & Energy Member	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	А



#### What's in store for the 2022 interim and the 2023 session?

According to the General Assembly Legislative Council's last blog post in May, beginning in July, sixteen legislative interim study committees are authorized to begin meeting on a wide variety of topics including health insurance, school finance, jail standards, judicial discipline, transportation, water, and wildfires. So far only a couple are scheduled. Each interim committee is authorized to recommend bills to the Legislative Council (LC). Because 2022 is an election year, the LC must meet no later than October 15 to decide whether to approve the bills for introduction during the 2023 legislative session.

According to an LC summary, all the seats in the House of Representatives are up for election in November. Eight of the incumbent representatives are term limited and cannot run again for their House seats; another 13 representatives are either running for another office or have decided not to run for other reasons. In the Senate, approximately half of the seats are up for election. Six of the incumbent senators are term limited and so will not be returning, and four others are either running for another office or have decided not to run for other reasons.

When the Seventy-fourth General Assembly convenes on January 9, 2023, there will be at least 21 new representatives and 10 new senators. At least two of the persons elected to leadership positions in the House: Speaker of the House and Majority Leader, and at least one of the persons elected to a leadership position in the Senate, the Minority Leader, will be new to their positions.

The Arc of Colorado will be working to wrap up the work from the 2022 session, prepare a new public policy agenda and our budget for 2023 and getting in a little downtime!

Enjoy your summer everyone and don't forget to thank our legislative champions you'll find on the next page!



So many legislators work tirelessly each session to pass the bills that help and support our community. These are just a few of our champions, sponsors of our priority bills this session.

## We Thank you!

Jeff Bridges, Jim Smallwood, Judy Amabile, Rob Woodward, Mary Young, Colin Larson, Kevin Priola, Mary Bradfield, Leslie Herod, Faith Winter, Barbara Kirkmeyer, and Alex Valdez.