

HOUSE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

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Chair of Committee

February 19, 2026  
Date

Committee on State, Civic, Military, & Veterans Affairs.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

HB26-1023 be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee of the Whole with favorable recommendation:

- 1 Amend printed bill, page 2, lines 2 and 3, strike "(1), (2)," and substitute  
2 "(2)".
- 3 Page 2, strike lines 5 through 8.
- 4 Page 4, line 4, strike "section 24-34-602" and substitute "section  
5 ~~24-34-602~~ SECTION 24-34-602 (1.5)".
- 6 Page 4, line 5, strike "AGAINST THE STATE POLITICAL PARTY." and  
7 substitute "ONLY AGAINST THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE POLITICAL  
8 PARTY HOLDING THE CAUCUS OR ASSEMBLY."
- 9 Page 4, strike line 6 and substitute "MEMBER OF THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE  
10 OF THE POLITICAL PARTY OR A VOLUNTEER FOR THE POLITICAL PARTY,".
- 11 Page 4, line 7, strike "POLITICAL PARTY".
- 12 Page 4, after line 8 insert:  
13           **"SECTION 2.** In Colorado Revised Statutes, 24-34-602, **add**  
14 (1.5) as follows:  
15           **24-34-602. Penalty and civil liability.**  
16           (1.5) (a) A PERSON AGGRIEVED BY A VIOLATION OF SECTION  
17 1-1-116 MAY BRING AN ACTION IN ANY COURT OF COMPETENT  
18 JURISDICTION. UPON FINDING A VIOLATION OF SECTION 1-1-116, THE  
19 PLAINTIFF IS ENTITLED TO A COURT ORDER REQUIRING COMPLIANCE WITH  
20 THE PROVISIONS OF THE APPLICABLE SECTION AND EITHER:  
21           (I) THE RECOVERY OF ACTUAL MONETARY DAMAGES; OR

1           (II) A STATUTORY FINE OF THREE THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED  
2 DOLLARS, PAYABLE TO EACH PLAINTIFF FOR EACH VIOLATION.

3           (b) FOR A CLAIM BROUGHT FOR A VIOLATION OF SECTION 1-1-116,  
4 EACH CAUCUS OR ASSEMBLY IS CONSIDERED A SINGLE INCIDENT AND NOT  
5 AS SEPARATE VIOLATIONS."

6 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

7 Strike "STATE" on: **Page 2**, lines 16 and 19; and **Page 3**, lines 22 and 27.

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