

House Democrats Caucus Meeting

Monday, March 4, 2024 at 9:00am

Location: Colorado Education Association, 1500 Grant Street, Denver CO 80203

Attendance: Members of the House Democratic Caucus and House Majority staff

Minutes:

- 9:11am: Caucus Chair Titone brought the meeting to order.
- 9:12am: Speaker McCluskie thanked the caucus for their fortitude and discipline demonstrated during Friday's third reading debate.
 - She shared that the legislative branch budget bill, sponsored by her and the Majority Leader, will be on second reading today.
 - She commented on the number of bills that have been introduced compared to this time last session, and expressed appreciation for chairs upholding deadlines to hear bills in committee.
- 9:15am: Majority Leader Duran discussed the anticipated floor schedule for the week, including the special orders calendar for 3/4.
- 9:17am: AML Bacon thanked the COW chairs for their role in Friday's debate.
- 9:18am: Rep Boesenecker told the caucus that even if a special orders calendar looks like it can take a long time, it can move very quickly - so please, if you are sponsoring a bill on that calendar, be in the chamber and ready to go.
- 9:20AM: Rep. Bird shared that the JBC is still working on figure setting for the Long Bill and reminded everyone the Long Bill will be heard the week of 3/25. She pointed to the staff resources summarizing the JBC's daily proceedings.
- 9:22am: Caucus Chair Titone opened the floor to members on the following:
 - Rep. Parenti discussed HB24-1230, Protections for Real Property, a bill she is running with AML Bacon regarding construction defects.
 - Rep. Marshall discussed HB24-1177, County Commissioner Elections, which adjusts the makeup of county commissioner seats.
 - Rep. Lindstedt discussed HB24-1156, Chamber of Commerce Alcohol Special Event Permit, which passed unanimously out of committee.
 - AML Bacon shared about the bills resulting from the Ozone / Air Quality Interim Committee, specifically HB24-1330, Air Quality Permitting, scheduled for a committee hearing this week.
 - Reps Jodeh and Woodrow discussed HB24-1313, Transit Oriented Communities, which is scheduled for a committee hearing this week.
- 9:45am: Comms Director Jarrett Freedman shared policies for credentialed press to access the Floor and committee hearings, as well as opportunities for support and guidance from caucus staff when engaging with the press.
- 9:50am: Meeting adjourned.