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SUBJECT: 2024 Interim Committee Information

Overview

- Currently, 23 committees are authorized to meet during the 2024 interim. If the Commission on Property Tax votes to extend its work past March 15, 2024, it may also potentially meet in the 2024 interim.
- In addition to the 23 committees, legislators may propose the creation of one-time letter interim committees. Letter interim committees are funded through the legislative budget, and must be approved by Legislative Council. In 2023, the General Assembly created two letter interim committees.
- In 2024, most interim committees must conclude their work by **October 15**. Interim committee bill drafting deadlines leading up to the October 15 deadline drive the interim committee calendar.
- Not funding letter interim committees reduces the number of committees that meet in a particular interim. However, reducing the funding for letter interim committees (which meet for only one year) may incentivize legislators to instead propose multi-year statutory committees through legislation. Legislative Council reviews both letter and newly proposed statutory interim committees in order to manage legislative interim workload.
- In recent years, statutory interim committees have included a variety of unique structures that have challenged the traditional interim committee staffing model. Challenges include:
 - creating interim committees in the Legislative Branch, staffed by legislative staff, with few or no legislative members;
 - creating interim committees that meet during the legislative session;
 - creating or renewing interim committees indefinitely;
 - creating interim committees in which outside consultants are hired to direct the committee's work; and



- allowing specific interim committees to bypass the process for Legislative Council review of legislation, which has the effect of also changing the deadlines for committees to request and introduce legislation.

Statutory Interim and Year-Round Committees

Statutory interim committees. Statutory interim committees primarily meet during the legislative interim, and often exist for more than one year. Without action by the General Assembly during the 2024 session, 13 statutory interim committees will meet during the 2024 interim (see Attachment A).

Legislative Council must review legislation that creates new statutory interim committees by April 26, 2024. Currently, there are two bills pending that affect funding or staffing for statutory interim committees:

- **House Bill 24-1053 – Tax Policy Analysis by the Legislative Branch** (Weissman/Marshall & Liston/Hansen) - [House Bill 24-1053](#) extends the repeal date of the Legislative Oversight Committee Concerning Tax Policy from December 31, 2026, to December 31, 2031.
- **House Bill 24-1054 – Implementation of Jail Standards in Colorado** (Amabile/Garcia & Fields/Coleman) – Under current law, the Legislative Oversight Committee for Colorado Jail Standards and the Colorado Jail Standards Commission repeal on July 1, 2024. [House Bill 24-1054](#) repeals the commission and extends the oversight committee until September 1, 2033.

Committees set to repeal. Under current law, three committees that met in 2023 will expire in 2024:

- Legislative Interim Committee on Colorado Jail Standards (extension pending in [HB 24-1054](#));
- Legislative Interim Committee on Ozone Air Quality; and
- Opioid and Other Substance Use Disorders Study Committee.

In addition, two committees were created through the interim committee letter process and met during the 2023 interim only:

- Colorado’s Child Welfare System Interim Study Committee; and
- Recidivism Interim Study Committee.

Year-round committees. In addition to statutory interim committees, 10 year-round committees may meet in the legislative interim (see Attachment B). These committees include legislative agency oversight committees, such as the Legislative Council, as well as the Capital Development Committee, Joint Technology Committee, and other committees.



The Commission on Property Tax must report its recommendations by March 15, 2024. If the commission votes to extend its work past March, it may also meet during the 2024 interim.

Legislator per diem and expenses. Legislators serving on statutory interim and year-round committees receive per diem and expenses for attending meetings in the interim. Table 1 below shows the number of committees and meetings, and the associated per diem costs, for statutory interim committees from 2018 to 2023. Attachment C shows the potential FY 2024-25 budget for these expenses.

Letter and Executive Committee Resolution Interim Committees

Funding for Letter Interim Committees. Legislators may request the creation of an interim committee to meet during a single interim by writing a letter to the Legislative Council.¹ Legislative Council determines the number of letter interim committees created each year, and how many times each committee may meet.

Legislators receive per diem and expenses for serving on letter interim committees. The Legislative Council Staff Director of Research is required to inform the Executive Committee each year how many letter interim committee meetings are authorized, based on the amount allocated in the legislative budget.² In 2023, the budget contained funding for eight meetings with an average of eight members per committee (\$6,336).

Executive Committee Resolution Interim Committee. State law permits the Executive Committee to form an interim committee after the conclusion of the legislative session.³ In recent years, the legislative budget has contained a funding set aside if a need arises to form these committees. In 2023, the budget contained funding for nine meetings with an average of six members per committee (\$5,346).

Table 1 shows the number of authorized letter and Executive Committee resolution interim committees and meetings, and the associated per diem costs, from 2018 to 2023.

¹ Section 2-3-303.3, C.R.S.

² Joint Rule 24A (c.5) (2).

³ Section 2-3-303.3 (3) (c), C.R.S.



Table 1
Interim Committees, 2018 through 2023

Interim meetings and tours only. Excludes year-round committees.

	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Letter and Executive Committee Resolution Committees						
Funded Meetings	26	32	9	9	9	17
Actual Meetings/Tour Dates	16	30	-	-	-	8
Number of Committees	4	7	-	-	-	2
Legislative Members	24	52	-	-	-	17
Per Diem /a	\$10,296	\$22,572	-	-	-	\$12,573
Statutory Interim Committees*						
Actual Meetings/Tour Dates	49	56	1	72	47	69
Number of Committees	11	14	1	17	17	16
Legislative Members	97	120	9	137	137	127
Per Diem /a	\$44,253	\$49,797	\$891	\$60,192	\$34,535	\$55,935
Total Letter, Resolution, and Statutory Interim Committees						
Actual Meetings/Tour Dates	65	86	1	72	47	77
Number of Committees	15	21	1	17	17	18
Legislative Members	121	172	9	137	137	144
Per Diem /a	\$54,549	\$72,369	\$891	\$60,192	\$34,535	\$63,162

*The per diem amount shown here is the per diem cost for meetings and tours actually held, assuming all members claimed. It is not the amount appropriated. Since not all members claim per diem, it is also not the actual cost.

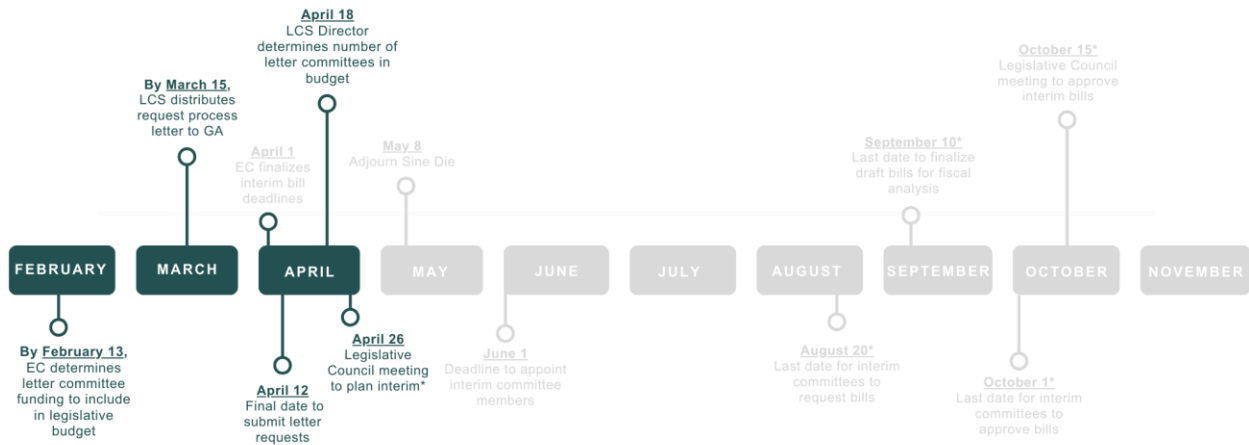
Timeline and next steps. Below is an outline of the letter interim committee timeline and next steps.

1. By **February 13**, members of leadership determine the funding for letter interim committees included in the introduced legislative budget.
2. By **March 15**, Legislative Council Staff distributes a letter to the General Assembly describing the process for legislators to request interim letter committees (see Attachment D).
3. Legislators must submit requests for interim letter committees by **April 12**.



4. By **April 18**, the LCS Director informs the Executive Committee how many letter interim committee meetings may be funded in 2024.
 5. On **April 26**, the Legislative Council meets to approve letter interim committees.
- Figure 1 illustrates the letter interim committee timeline.

Figure 1
2024 Timeline to Approve Letter Interim Committees



*Approximate date.

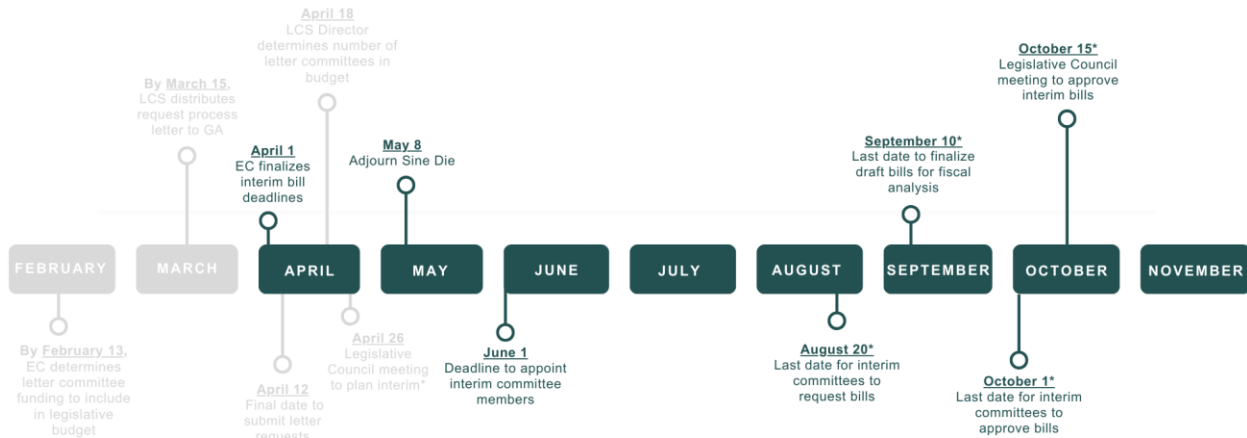
Interim Committee Deadlines

The Legislative Council must review bills recommended by letter and statutory interim committees by **October 15, 2024**.⁴ To meet this deadline, the Executive Committee of the Legislative Council annually issues deadlines for interim committees to request and approve bills. These deadlines drive the interim committee meeting calendar. Figure 2 shows the relevant dates for interim committees in 2024 (some dates are estimates).

⁴ Joint Rule 24 (b) (1) (D).



Figure 2
2024 Interim Committee Dates



*Approximate date.

Interim Committee Creation and Structure

Letter process versus legislation. State law directs that interim committees be created through the letter process. Regardless, in recent years, interim committees have often been created through legislation. Creating interim committees through legislation, rather than the letter process, potentially raises the following issues.

- Committees created through legislation are more likely to exist for more than one year, or, in some cases, indefinitely. While some issues require multi-year consideration, creating multiple multi-year interim committees potentially limits the ability of the General Assembly to respond to new or changing circumstances (if, for instance, the number of interim committees must be limited due to staff or member capacity).
- The Legislative Council has less authority over committees created through legislation. The Legislative Council approves committees created through the letter process, and may adjust member size/composition, the number of bills the committee may introduce, and the number times the committee may meet. Committees created by bill are examined by Legislative Council, and may be changed by amendment, but the entire General Assembly also has this authority. In some cases, legislation has exempted interim committee legislation from review by Legislative Council.
- The General Assembly may not frequently examine committees with overlapping subjects or authority. If all interim committees were created through a single process, the Legislative



Council would be able to compare the committees and ensure that their study charges are unique. Under the current system, the Legislative Council may not have ready knowledge of the entire universe of study committees that already exist and how the new proposals fit with existing committees.

Examples: Legislative Oversight Committee Concerning Tax Policy; Sales and Use Tax Simplification Task Force; Task Force Concerning Tax Policy; Commission on Property Tax

Interim committee structure. In recent years, the General Assembly has approved interim committees with unique compositions, timelines, or structures. In some cases, these unique attributes can challenge the typical interim committee staffing model and disrupt the deadlines by which interim committee legislation is prepared.

- **Committees staffed by nonpartisan legislative staff that contain few or no legislative members.** The nonpartisan staff of the legislature support the work of the Colorado General Assembly and individual members of the legislature. In recent years, nonpartisan staff have been directed to staff task forces with few or no legislative members. This is difficult for staff because nonlegislators may not be familiar with legislative norms, protocols, and deadlines. Further, legislative staff are versed in legislative policy and procedure, but may be less equipped to staff committees concerned with the execution of legislative policy (an Executive Branch function).

Examples: Jail Standards Commission; Legislative Task Force Concerning Tax Policy; Pension Review Subcommittee, Sales and Use Simplification Task Force; Treatment of Persons with Behavioral Health Disorders in the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Systems Task Force

- **Creating committees with task forces, subpanels, advisory groups that require nonpartisan staff support to comply with open meetings requirements.** In recent years, the General Assembly has created a structure for several committees in which a panel of legislators oversees a task force of nonlegislators. The task force is directed to make recommendations to the oversight committee. Legislative staff are either directed to staff the nonlegislative panel, or the nonlegislative panel is not provided staff support at all.

Subcommittees of legislative committees are generally subject to open meeting requirements. While transparency around such meetings is desired, legislative staff are often charged with making sure these requirements are met for a subcommittee, even if they are not charged with staffing. For instance, in 2022-2023, the Jail Standards Commission formed subgroups to complete its work. Legislation directed that legislative staff should not provide staff support to subgroups of the commission, but, because the subgroups were considered to be legislative entities, it was determined that these meetings were subject to the Open Meetings Act and were required to be noticed and open. Even though legislative staff were



directed not to staff the subpanels, they were put in the position of facilitating the subpanels' meetings by providing notice and video streaming. Some subpanels required administrative assistance to schedule meetings, to write and share materials, and to communicate with other commission members, which legislative staff provided.

Examples: Task Force on Economic Recovery and Relief; Affordable Housing Task Force; Behavioral Health Task Force; Jail Standards Commission; Jail Standards Commission subgroups

- **Directing nonpartisan staff to support committees that meet during the legislative session.** Nonpartisan staff are increasingly supporting "interim" committees that also meet during the legislative session, which can be a workload issue for staff and legislators.

Examples: Jail Standards Commission & Legislative Oversight Committee Concerning Colorado Jail Standards; Task Force for the Consideration of Facial Recognition Services; Commission on Property Tax, Water Resources and Agricultural Review Committee




- **Directing nonpartisan staff to coordinate with hired facilitators.** Some committees have requested that legislative staff coordinate staffing with hired facilitators. In these arrangements, it can be difficult to determine appropriate roles and authority for each entity. Legislative norms and requirements, like public notice and recording of audio from meetings, further limit the flexibility for the hired facilitators.

Examples: Affordable Housing Task Force; Behavioral Health Task Force; Commission on Property Tax

- **Exempting committees from the process of reporting proposed legislation to Legislative Council.** Committees have been structured to bypass the traditional interim committee bill request and approval process. This has the effect of removing the authority of Legislative Council to approve interim committee bills and changing the timeframes in which committee legislation is requested and drafted. For instance, the bill requested by the Legislative Oversight Committee on Colorado Jail Standards was requested and drafted after the deadlines for most other interim committee bills, when bill drafting and fiscal notes staff are turning their attention to the session workload.

Examples: Legislative Oversight Committee Concerning Colorado Jail Standards; Legislative Interim Committee on School Finance

Table II: Statutory Interim Committees Meeting During the 2024 Legislative Interim – Attachment A

Committee	Number of Meetings	Number of Members	Number of Bills	Study Topics	Repeal Date
<p>Colorado Health Insurance Exchange Oversight Committee</p> <p>Section 10-22-107, C.R.S.*</p> <p>House Bill 24-1035 proposes technical changes to this committee</p> 	<p>At least twice* annually; limited to 7 total meetings when the General Assembly is not in session. The committee may meet an unlimited number of times during the legislative session.</p>	<p>10 members of the General Assembly; 5 from the House and 5 from the Senate, including 6 members from the Health and Business committees</p>	<p>8</p>	<p>The committee studies the implementation of Colorado's health exchange. It reviews and approves grants applied for by the exchange's board of directors to implement the exchange, approves the exchange's executive director, and recommends legislation on the operation of the exchange.</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Legislative Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery Committee</p> <p>Section 2-3-1503, C.R.S.</p> 	<p>At least once annually.</p>	<p>11 members, including 2 members from the House and 2 members from the Senate. Other members include individuals representing the nonpartisan legislative staff agencies.</p>	<p>Not limited</p>	<p>The committee is responsible for developing and updating a plan for the response by, and continuation of operations of, the General Assembly and the legislative service agencies in the event of an emergency epidemic or disaster and may also recommend legislation on this topic.</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Legislative Oversight Committee Concerning Colorado Jail Standards & Colorado Jail Standards Commission</p> <p>House Bill 24-1054 proposes changes to these committees</p> 	<p>Oversight Committee: No more than 4 times each year</p>	<p>Oversight Committee: 6 members of the General Assembly; 3 from the House and 3 from the Senate.</p>	<p>Up to 3 bills during the 2024 legislative session. The bills recommended by the commission are exempt from review and approval by Legislative Council.</p>	<p>The commission is to develop a set of jail standards for Colorado jails and report them to the oversight committee by November 15, 2023. The oversight commission may introduce legislation regarding the work of the commission.</p>	<p>July 1, 2024* (*House Bill 24-1054 extends the oversight committee to Sept. 1, 2033, and repeals the commission)</p>
<p>Commission: Monthly</p>	<p>Commission: 22 members representing counties, law enforcement agencies, advocacy organizations, and other entities.</p>				

 Legislation recommended by the committee must be approved by Legislative Council by October 15, 2024;  Committee meets during the legislative interim;










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<p>Legislative Oversight Committee Concerning Tax Policy</p> <p>House Bill 24-1053 proposes changes to this committee</p> <p>Part 4 of Article 21 of Title 39, C.R.S.</p>   	<p>Oversight Committee: At least 4 times each year, and at other times as it deems necessary. Oversight committee members must attend at least one task force meeting.</p> <p>Task Force: At least 6 times each year.</p>	<p>Oversight Committee: 6 members of the General Assembly; 3 from the House and 3 from the Senate.</p> <p>Task Force: 21 members, including 4 members representing the nonpartisan legislative staff agencies, 4 Executive Branch members, and 13 members of the public.</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>The committee studies tax policy, considers the policy considerations contained in the tax expenditure evaluations prepared by the State Auditor, and oversees the task force.</p> <p>The task force studies tax policy and develops and proposes tax policy modifications for committee consideration.</p>	<p>Dec. 31, 2026* (*House Bill 24-1053 extends the oversight committee and the task force to Dec. 1, 2031)</p>
<p>Pension Review Commission & Pension Review Subcommittee</p> <p>Section 24-51.1-101, C.R.S.</p>   <p>Interim Only</p> 	<p>Limited to 6 total meetings.</p>	<p>Commission: 10 members of the General Assembly; 5 from the House and 5 from the Senate.</p> <p>Subcommittee: 14 members, including 4 legislators and 10 public members with knowledge of investment management, corporate or public finance, etc., appointed by the Speaker, President, Minority Leaders, Governor, and State Treasurer. Members of the subcommittee are required to attend at least one meeting per year of the board of trustees of PERA, the hearing of the Legislative Audit Committee when the committee reviews PERA's annual actuarial valuation; and the Joint Finance Committee SMART Act hearing on PERA.</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>The commission studies and proposes legislation relating to funding of police officers' and firefighters' pensions in this state and benefit designs of such pension plans. In addition, the commission studies and develops legislation regarding the Public Employees' Retirement Association (PERA).</p> <p>The subcommittee studies issues related to PERA and makes recommendations regarding the statutes governing PERA; suggests to enhancements that the association could make to its annual analysis; reviews PERA's annual actuarial valuation; issues an annual report on PERA achieving full funding by 2048, and makes recommendations to the commission regarding issues that the commission may wish to address through legislation.</p>	<p>None</p>

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Table II: Statutory Interim Committees Meeting During the 2024 Legislative Interim – Attachment A

Committee	Number of Meetings	Number of Members	Number of Bills	Study Topics	Repeal Date
<p>Representative Hugh McKean Colorado Youth Advisory Council Review Committee</p> <p>Section 2-2-1305.5, C.R.S.</p>    	Up to 3 times each interim	10 members, including 5 members of the General Assembly (4 legislative members of the Colorado Youth Advisory Council and 1 member of the Legislative Council) and 5 non-voting members of the Colorado Youth Advisory Council	3	The review committee reviews the work of the Colorado Youth Advisory Council.	September 1, 2028
<p>Sales and Use Tax Simplification Task Force</p> <p>Section 39-26-801, <i>et seq.</i>, C.R.S.</p>  	As necessary during any legislative session or any interim between legislative sessions. The task force must meet at least 8 times.	15 members: 2 from the House and 2 from the Senate; a representative of the Department of Revenue; a representative of the Colorado Municipal League; a representative of Colorado Counties, Inc.; a member of a statewide association of small businesses; a member of the statewide chamber of commerce; a state and local sales and use tax law practitioner not employed by a home rule or statutory city or city and county; a member with sales and use tax accounting experience not employed by a home rule or statutory city or city and county; and one representative of a home rule or statutory city or city and county appointed by the Colorado Municipal League from each of its 4 population membership categories.	5 The task force must report to the Legislative Council by November 1 each year. The report may or may not include legislation.	The task force studies sales and use tax simplification between the state and local governments, including home rule municipalities, to identify opportunities and challenges within existing fiscal frameworks to adopt practical, revenue-neutral solutions that do not require constitutional amendments or voter approval.	July 1, 2026

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Committee	Number of Meetings	Number of Members	Number of Bills	Study Topics	Repeal Date
Statewide Health Care Review Committee Section 10-16-221, C.R.S. 	No more than 2 times each interim, which can both be field trips.	No more than 10 members of the House and Senate Health Committees. Pursuant to a letter of the Executive Committee dated May 2, 2019, the committee consists of the chairs of the House Health and Insurance and Public Health Care and Human Services committees; the chair of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee; 2 additional members of the Senate Health and Human Services Committee and 5 additional members of the House Health committees.	None	The committee studies health care issues that affect Colorado residents throughout the state.	None
Task Force for the Consideration of Facial Recognition Services Section 2-3-1707, C.R.S. 	Must meet at least once every four months	1 member of the House and 1 member of the Senate; 13 additional public members	None	The task force must examine the extent to which state and local government agencies are using facial recognition services and provide recommendations on the use of such services.	September 1, 2027
Transportation Legislation Review Committee Section 43-2-145, C.R.S.  	At least once annually; limited to 6 total meetings.	18 members of the House and Senate Transportation committees; 11 from the House and 7 from the Senate	5	The committee reviews transportation, traffic, and motor vehicle legislation and may consult with experts in the fields of traffic regulation, the licensing of drivers, the registration and titling of motor vehicles, and highway construction and planning.	None

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Committee	Number of Meetings	Number of Members	Number of Bills	Study Topics	Repeal Date
<p>Treatment of Persons with Behavioral Health Disorders in the Criminal and Juvenile Justice Systems Legislative Oversight Committee & Task Force</p> <p>Section 18-1.9-101, <i>et seq.</i>, C.R.S.</p> 	<p>At least 3; limited to 6 total meetings.</p>	<p>Committee: 6 members of the General Assembly; 3 from the House and 3 from the Senate</p> <p>Task Force: 31 members who represent various state agencies, community agencies, and other entities and organizations relating to criminal and juvenile justice.</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>The committee is responsible for overseeing the Treatment of Person with Mental Health Disorders in the Criminal Justice System Task Force and recommending bills to implement the proposals studied by the task force.</p>	<p>July 1, 2027</p>
<p>Water Resources and Agricultural Review Committee</p> <p>Section 37-98-101, <i>et seq.</i> C.R.S.</p> 	<p>At least 4 times each year. At the discretion of the chair, the committee may take field trips during the calendar year.</p>	<p>10 members of the General Assembly; 5 from the House and 5 from the Senate.</p>	<p>3 bills, unless 2/3 of members vote to approve more. Maximum of 10 bills.</p>	<p>The committee studies the conservation, use, development, and financing of the water resources of Colorado for the general welfare of its inhabitants and reviews and proposes water resources legislation. The committee may also hold hearings on the Colorado State Water Plan. The committee also studies Colorado’s agricultural sector and the relationship between agriculture and water.</p>	<p>None</p>
<p>Wildfire Matters Review Committee</p> <p>Section 2-3-1602, C.R.S.</p> 	<p>At least once each interim including 2 field trips; limited to 6 total meetings.</p>	<p>10 members of the General Assembly; 5 from the House and 5 from the Senate.</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>The committee studies wildfire prevention and mitigation.</p>	<p>Sept. 1, 2025</p>

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Table III: Year-Round Committees Meeting During the 2024 Legislative Interim – Attachment B

Committee	Number of Meetings	Number of Members	Number of Bills	Study Topics	Repeal Date
Capital Development Committee Section 2-3-1301, <i>et seq.</i> , C.R.S. 	As often as necessary.	6 members of the General Assembly; 3 from the House and 3 from the Senate	Not limited	The committee is responsible for reviewing funding requests for capital projects from all state agencies, and making prioritized recommendations to the Joint Budget Committee.	None
Capitol Building Advisory Committee Section 24-82-108, C.R.S. 	No less than 3 per year.	12 members including: 3 appointed by the Speaker, including 1 member of the House; 3 appointed by the President, including 1 member of the Senate; 3 appointed by the Governor; an architect, appointed by the Governor; and the following ex officio members: the President of the State Historical Society or designee and the Executive Director of the Department of Personnel and Administration or designee.	None	The committee must review plans to restore, redecorate, or reconstruct space within the state Capitol building and make recommendations to the Capital Development Committee based on such plans.	None
Colorado Commission on Uniform State Laws Section 2-3-601 <i>et seq.</i> , C.R.S. 	At least once annually at the call of the chair.	6 members; at least 2 must be members of the General Assembly and 2 must be members of the public. The members must be attorneys. The General Assembly appoints the members by joint resolution.	Not limited	The commission prepares a report containing its recommendations to the General Assembly on or before January 1 of each year concerning uniform laws and the proceedings and recommendations of the most recent meeting of the National Conference of Commissioners on Uniform State Laws.	None

 Legislation recommended by the committee must be approved by Legislative Council by October 15, 2024;  Committee meets during the legislative interim;




 Committee meets year-round;  Has a task force or subcommittee;  Oversight committee for a legislative staff agency

Table III: Year-Round Committees Meeting During the 2024 Legislative Interim – Attachment B

Committee	Number of Meetings	Number of Members	Number of Bills	Study Topics	Repeal Date
Commission on Property Tax Section 2-2-2201, C.R.S. *Will not meet in 2024 interim unless extended.	At least twice a month through March 15, 2024, or more often at the call of the chair. The commission may vote to extend its work past March 15, 2024.	19 members; 2 from the House, 2 from the Senate, and 15 public members, including representatives of property taxing entities and local governments	None	The commission is to identify, consider, and evaluate legislative options for a permanent and sustainable property tax structure for the state. The commission is to report options by March 15, 2024, but may vote to extend its work to no later than December 31, 2024.	None
Committee on Legal Services Section 2-3-502, C.R.S.	At least twice each calendar year, but may meet as often as necessary.	10 members of the General Assembly including: The respective chairs of the House and Senate Judiciary committees or their designees; 4 members for the House, 1 of whom is an attorney; and 4 members of the Senate, 1 of whom is an attorney.	Not limited	The committee is the legislative oversight committee for the Office of Legislative Legal Services and oversees the review of executive branch agency rules among other legislative duties.	None
Joint Budget Committee Section 2-3-201, <i>et seq.</i> , C.R.S.	As often as is necessary to perform its functions.	6 members of the General Assembly: 3 from the House and 3 from the Senate, including the Appropriations Committee chairs.	Not limited	The committee studies the management, operations, programs, and fiscal needs of the state government agencies and institutions of Colorado state government and holds hearings to review the executive budget and the budget requests of each state agency and institution, including capital construction, capital renewal, or controlled maintenance budget requests and information technology budget requests.	None



Legislation recommended by the committee must be approved by Legislative Council by October 15, 2024;



Committee meets during the legislative interim;



Committee meets year-round;



Has a task force or subcommittee;



Oversight committee for a legislative staff agency

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Committee	Number of Meetings	Number of Members	Number of Bills	Study Topics	Repeal Date
Joint Technology Committee Section 2-3-1701, <i>et seq.</i> , C.R.S.	At least once each year in order to review the Governor's budget submissions for information technology, and as often as necessary to perform its functions.	6 members of the General Assembly; 3 from the House and 3 from the Senate. The members of the committee should have experience in information technology, business analysis, or business process.	Not limited	The committee has oversight responsibility for major state technology projects and the Governor's Office of Information Technology (OIT).	None
Legislative Audit Committee Section 2-3-101, <i>et seq.</i> , C.R.S.	As often as necessary, but it shall meet at least once in each quarter of the calendar year.	8 members of the General Assembly: 4 from the House and 4 from the Senate.	Not limited	The committee is responsible for reviewing and releasing audit reports and recommending special studies. The committee also recommends an appointment for State Auditor to the leadership of the General Assembly every five years.	None
Legislative Council & Executive Committee of the Legislative Council Section 2-3-301, C.R.S.	As often as necessary, but the council must meet at least quarterly.	Legislative Council: 18 members, including the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, the Majority Leaders of the House and Senate, the Minority Leaders of the House and Senate, and 6 members each from the House and Senate, appointed in proportion generally to party representation in each chamber. Executive Committee: 6 members consists of the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Majority and Minority Leaders from each chamber.	Not limited	The Legislative Council is the legislative oversight committee for the Legislative Council Staff, and is responsible for approving the Legislative Council Staff budget, approving written requests for interim study committees, reviewing legislation created by committees that meet during the legislative interim, and reviewing the ballot information booklet prepared by Legislative Council Staff. The Executive Committee of the Legislative Council provides oversight over the legislative service agencies and their directors, establishes policies regarding legislative management and procedures, and introduces the annual legislative appropriation bill.	None



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Table III: Year-Round Committees Meeting During the 2024 Legislative Interim – Attachment B

Committee	Number of Meetings	Number of Members	Number of Bills	Study Topics	Repeal Date
Statutory Revision Committee Section 2-3-901, <i>et seq.</i> , C.R.S.	The committee may meet as often as necessary, but it shall meet at least twice in each calendar year.	10 members including: 4 from the House; 4 from the Senate; and 2 nonvoting nonlegislative members, appointed by the Committee on Legal Services, who are attorneys-at-law admitted to practice in Colorado.	Not limited	The committee makes an ongoing examination of the statutes of the state and current judicial decisions for the purpose of discovering defects and anachronisms in the law and recommending needed reforms.	None



Legislation recommended by the committee must be approved by Legislative Council by October 15, 2024;



Committee meets during the legislative interim;



Committee meets year-round;



Has a task force or subcommittee;



Oversight committee for a legislative staff agency

Potential FY 2024-25 Per Diem Budget for Interim Committees
Excluding Single-Interim Letter and Resolution Committees

	House Per Diem	Senate Per Diem	Total Per Diem	Expiration	Statute	Assumption
CO Health Insurance Exchange Oversight Committee	3,465	3,465	6,930	None	10-22-107	Seven meetings, as authorized in statute
Legislative Emergency Preparedness, Response, and Recovery Committee	198	198	396	None	2-3-1503	One meeting
Legislative Oversight Committee Concerning Task Policy & Task Force	1,485	1,485	2,970	December 31, 2026	39-21-403 & 404	Five meetings, based on 2021 interim
Pension Review Commission	1,485	1,485	2,970	None	24-51.1-101	Three meetings
Pension Review Subcommittee	594	594	1,188	None	24-51.1-101 (3)(a)	Three meetings
Representative Hugh McKean Colorado Youth Advisory Council Review Committee	594	891	1,485	September 1, 2028	2-2-1305.5	
Sales and Use Tax Simplification Task Force	990	990	1,980	July 1, 2026	39-26-802	Five meetings, based on 2021 interim
Statewide Health Care Review Committee	990	990	1,980	None	10-16-221	Two meetings, as authorized by statute
Task Force for the Consideration of Facial Recognition Services	198	198	396	September 1, 2027	2-3-1701	Three meetings, must meet at least every four months
Transportation Legislation Review Committee	6,534	4,158	10,692	None	43-2-145	Six meetings, including tours, as authorized in statute
Treatment of Persons with Behavioral Health Disorders in the Criminal and Juvenile Justice System	1,782	1,782	3,564	July 1, 2027	18-1.9-103	Six meetings, as authorized by statute
Water Resources Review Committee	3,960	3,960	7,920	None	37-98-102	At least four meetings, and field trips
Wildfire Matters Review Committee	2,970	2,970	5,940	September 1, 2025	2-3-1602	Six meetings, as authorized by statute
Subtotal, Statutory Committees	\$25,245	\$23,166	\$48,411			
	<u>House</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	<u>Statute</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
Capital Development Committee	4,455	4,455	8,910	None	2-3-1302	Based on 2022 Interim
Capital Building Advisory Committee	396	396	792	None	24-82-108	Four meetings; statute requires at least three meetings
Colorado Commission on Uniform State Laws	198	198	396	None	2-3-601	Based on 2022 Interim
Committee on Legal Services	1,485	1,485	2,970	None	2-3-502	Based on 2022 Interim
Executive Committee of the Legislative Council	-	-	-	None	2-3-301	No budget, leaders are covered by leadership per diem
Joint Budget Committee	13,365	13,365	26,730	None	2-3-201	45 meetings
Joint Technology Committee	1,782	1,782	3,564	None	2-3-1702	Based on 2022 Interim
Legislative Audit Committee	3,960	3,960	7,920	None	2-3-101	Based on 2022 Interim
Legislative Council	2,376	2,376	4,752	None	2-3-301	Four meetings; excludes leadership
Statutory Revision Committee	792	792	1,584	None	2-3-901	Two meetings
Subtotal, Year-Round Committees	\$28,809	\$28,809	\$57,618			
	<u>House</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Expiration</u>	<u>Statute</u>	<u>Assumption</u>
Subtotal, 39 Separate Committees, Boards, Task Forces	\$24,750	\$24,255	\$49,005	Mixed	Various	5 meetings per committee, on average
	<u>House</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>Total</u>			
Total Interim Committee Per Diem Budget	\$78,804	\$76,230	\$155,034			

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March 15, 2024

Members of the Seventy-fourth General Assembly:

Pursuant to Section 2-3-303.3, C.R.S., a member seeking an interim committee must make a request in writing to the Legislative Council by Friday, April 12, 2024. All requests must be finalized by this date and no exceptions can be granted on this request deadline.

Please see either the Office of Legislative Legal Services or the Office of Legislative Council Staff to request assistance in completing a request for an interim committee. Members are asked to submit their requests as far in advance of the deadline as possible. To provide legislative staff adequate time to assist you in preparing the written request, please contact either office on or before Friday, April 5, 2024.

The request, as stipulated in statute, must specify at a minimum:

- the scope of the policy issues to be studied;
- the number of meetings necessary to study the issues;
- the suggested number and composition of committee members, including the appointments to be made by the President, Speaker, Majority Leaders, and Minority Leaders;
- whether nonlegislative members should have a role in the interim committee;
- whether a task force would be necessary to assist the interim committee and, if so, the members and composition of such a task force; and
- an estimate of the maximum number of bills the interim committee will need to address the issues studied.

Pursuant to Joint Rule 24A(d)(1)(A), the chair and vice-chair shall be appointed by the Speaker and the President, depending on the house in which the request for the interim committee originates.

Once finalized, all written requests for interim committees will be made public and will be posted on the Legislative Council website and distributed to the members of Legislative Council. The Legislative Council will meet by Friday, April 26, 2024, to review and prioritize any interim committee requests that have been submitted.

The Legislative Council Staff director will determine the number of interim committee meetings that may be funded from the legislative budget so that the Legislative Council can determine how many interim committees it may prioritize. Legislative members of interim committees approved through this process will receive per diem and travel reimbursement. Interim committees approved through this process will receive staff support from the Legislative Council Staff and the Office of Legislative Legal Services.

This process is intended for one-time committees meeting during one interim period. Members wanting to create long-term, statutory committees must introduce separate legislation. Such legislation will be accompanied by a fiscal note reflecting the cost of legislator member per diem and travel, as well as the cost of staff assistance.

For more information, please see Section 2-3-303.3, Colorado Revised Statutes, and the attached request form developed by Legislative Council Staff and the Office of Legislative Legal Services. Please feel free to contact either the Office of Legislative Legal Services or the office of Legislative Council Staff for any help you may need. The forms may be turned into either office

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