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Support SB 18-006, Recording Fee Affordable Housing

By Senator Zenzinger & Representative Winter

Summary: Allows Counties to impose a real estate recording fee of \$5 for the creation of a **Statewide Attainable Housing Fund** of which \$1 will be set aside to the County Clerk and Recorder to defray the cost of collecting such fee.

Background

Counties and Commissioners Acting Together (CCAT) urges the Colorado General Assembly to pass policies that support development of affordable housing for the many citizens and communities in need across the state. **Access to affordable and available workforce housing is arguably the most significant issue that is occurring in counties throughout Colorado. With the population of Colorado expected to double in the next 25 years this is a problem that will certainly become more severe without pro-active measures being taken.**

CCAT membership reflects a diversity of experiences – urban, suburban, rural and mountain. Each of our counties faces unique challenges when it comes to housing. Whether it's the pressure of rapid growth and development along the Front Range, the prevalence of second homes in rural tourism-based economies, or the wage-to-housing cost disparity in rural communities, greater exploration of the drivers behind the shortage of attainable housing is necessary.

SB 18-006 helps address the issue of affordable housing in the following ways:

- ✓ **Increases available funds** for state and local affordable housing efforts.
- ✓ **Maintains local control** by giving individual counties the option to participate in the fee increase fund
- ✓ **Keeps funds in county of origin** in that counties that do not participate in the fee increase are ineligible to receive funds.
- ✓ **Builds upon the numerous varied and rich local efforts that are already under way.** Supports partnership with local communities have made strong investments in affordable and attainable housing over past decades to invest in local plans and strategies to address the unique challenges and barriers to their communities.

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