



Today is the 60th day of the legislative session – we have made it to the halfway point!

So far this session, two of my sponsored bills, HB23-1045 giving National Guard members who are public employees leave for training and HB23-1007 requiring crisis hotline numbers on ID badges for students in higher education, have both passed through the House of Representatives and the Senate. We are now waiting for the governor’s signature for these bills to become law.

In the next 60 days, I would like to focus on passing SB23-109 increasing penalties for drug suppliers and SB23-034 defining serious bodily injury. Both bills provide opportunities for victims and their families to bring criminals to justice.

The rest of the session will bring vigorous discussion surrounding property tax increases. As a member of the Senate Local Government & Housing Committee, I will continue to foster discussion on how to alleviate the burden on property owners caused by the upcoming 20% increase in property taxes.

I will continue to faithfully serve the constituents of SD 1.

Your 2A Rights

Last week, four bills were introduced in the legislature that aim to erode your Second Amendment rights. I will be a vocal defender of your rights against Government infringement.



Pictured Above: 4th graders from Caliche visited the Capitol this week. I enjoyed hearing about what they are learning in their government class and the excellent questions they asked.

My Bills



Pictured Above: Co-Sponsor of HB23-1007 Senator Dylan Roberts, constituents, and I celebrating our bill passing committee.

HB23-1007: Requires institutes of higher education to print Colorado and national suicide prevention contact information on student identification cards beginning this 2023 fall semester. This will ensure our students have access to crisis hotlines wherever they go.

SB23-109: Increases charges to a level 1 drug felony if the substance supplied leads to the death of the drug user. This bill aims to give families of overdose victims the justice they deserve.

SB23-088: Requires correctional facilities to keep victims updated on changes to the release date of those who committed a crime against them. This will allow victims to prepare themselves for the offender’s return to society.

We are halfway there! Today is day 60 of the 120-day legislative session.

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