

## 2006 Bills

### **HB06-1018 Increase Older Coloradans Cash Fund**

This bill restores funding for the Older Coloradan Cash Fund to help stabilize the programs for the Area Agencies on Aging. Some of these programs include home delivered meals, senior nutrition, home nursing care, and family caregiver support.

### **HB06-1059 Police Officers and Firefighters Pension Plan Structure**

This bill came out of the Police and Firefighters Pension Reform Committee in order to conform to current I.R.S. standards.

### **HB06-1127 Athletic Trainers Practice Act**

This bill allows for the regulation of athletic trainers.

### **HB06-1127 Penalties for Drunk Driving**

This bill stiffens penalties for repeat DUI offenders. It requires persistent drunk drivers to have an ignition interlock device installed on their vehicle, in addition to treatment required by current law. The bill also requires treatment and the ignition interlock for individuals with a one time offense with a blood alcohol content at .17 or higher. At .20 blood alcohol content, current law defines an individual as a persistent drunk driver. The final piece of this bill puts more money into the persistent drunk drivers cash fund in order to assist with payment for treatment for the indigent.

### **HB06-1267 Child Support Changes**

This bill makes technical corrections to a bill that was passed in the previous legislative session.

### **HB06-1268 Reclaiming Abandoned Graves**

This bill allows cemeteries to reclaim an abandoned plot after 75 years if no contact has been made with the owners. The cemetery is first required to send a written notice and to publish a notice in the newspaper. If a person appears after a plot has been reclaimed, a comparable plot must be furnished at no cost.

### **HB06-1326 Identity Theft**

This bill creates the new crime of identity theft and makes it a class 4 felony.

### **HB06-1360 Bioscience Research**

This bill uses grant programs to support bioscience research and the implementation of that research into products.

### **HB06-1366 Regional Representation on Tourism Board**

This bill requires a meeting where regional representation on the Tourism Board would be discussed and recommendations would be made to the General Assembly.

### **HB06-1380 Reduce Theft of Retail Property**

This bill prohibits the sellers of property at flea markets and similar facilities from selling certain goods without proof of ownership. Also creates an interagency task force on organized retail theft in order to investigate methods of effectively preventing organized networks of retail theft.

### **SB06-047 Health Assurance Districts**

This bill provides a mechanism for the funding of health assurance districts by allowing such districts to levy a sales tax or mill levy increase, with approval of the voters of the district, in order to provide health care services to the people of the district.

**SB06-057 Missing Senior Citizens Alert**

This bill creates the missing senior citizen alert program to broadcast the notice of missing senior citizens with an impaired mental condition. This program is similar to the Amber Alert used for missing children.

**SB06-091 Phone Records Trading**

This bill prohibits the selling or buying of telephone records without the appropriate authorization.

**SB06-121 Surrogate Decision Makers**

This bill defines and authorizes who may be appointed as a surrogate decision maker for individuals who lack decisional capacity in order to make informed health care benefit decisions. It requires that a person's lack of decisional capacity be made by the attending physician and be documented in the person's medical record.

**SB06-128 Pilot Program for the Disabled**

This bill directs a nonprofit Colorado organization with a board composed of persons interested in Medicaid recipients with a disability to submit a proposed pilot program to the state in order to improve the quality of care received by recipients with a disability.

**SB06-141 Colorado Health Care Transparency Act**

This bill requires transparency of hospitals and advanced health facilities that receive any payment under Medicare or Medicaid. Information received will allow consumers to make educated decisions about the health care they receive.

**SB06-192 Drunk Driving Task Force**

This bill establishes an interagency task force on drunk driving to investigate methods of reducing drunk driving.