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To: County Commissioners

CC: County Managers, Administrators, Attorneys and/or other staff

Subject: 2026 Legislative Agenda Process & Proposals

As outlined in the <u>CCI bylaws</u> (Article XI, Section 5), CCI is beginning its annual process to solicit proposals to be "developed and adopted as priorities for the legislative agenda of the organization."

The legislative agenda "includes all legislative issues for which CCI staff seeks legislative bill sponsors and is primarily responsible for securing their passage and enactment" (CCI Bylaws, Article V, Section 7).

Any proposal should identify and describe the problem the proponent county is seeking to solve and include an initial proposed solution. To be a CCI agenda item, a legislative solution must be sought. Please complete and submit the Google Form by Friday, July 18 for consideration. To obtain a copy of the proposal form, please email Kieran Boes (kboes@ccionline.org).

Realizing the current political climate and the problems facing counties, the solutions identified in your proposal may be iterated throughout the process. Proposals that ultimately are selected to become a Legislative Priority will require CCI staff to *immediately* begin the process of securing sponsors and securing passage for the 2026 Legislative Session. However, proposals may also be identified as "long term" priorities. In that case, CCI staff will conduct the necessary due diligence for a future legislative solution. Members will receive additional information throughout this process.

Legislative Proposals will be discussed during the following meetings – to the extent possible, proponents should intend to participate in each of these meetings:

- Friday, July 25 Proposed Issues Discussion
- District Meetings Friday, August 8 Front Range | Thursday, August 21 Mountain | Friday,
 August 22 Western | Friday, September 5 Southern | Friday, September 12 Eastern
 - NOTE: Proponents should participate in their district's meeting; CCI staff will share feedback from other district meetings with proponents
- Friday, September 19 Steering Committee meetings
- Friday, October 3 Legislative Committee & Membership Meeting (the Legislative Committee, which includes a representative from each county, will select concepts for the Legislative Agenda; the agenda will be ratified during the Membership Meeting)

This process is described in the CCI Bylaws (see Article V, Section 7; Article XI, Section 2, Part 3; Article XI, Section 5). If you have any questions, please contact Katie First (kfirst@ccionline.org / M: 614-774-6261)

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