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TO: Transportation Commissioners, Executive Director, Executive Management Team, Branch Managers, and Office Directors

FROM: Kurtis Morrison, Office of Policy & Government Relations Office

RE: Weekly Legislative Report – 2012 Session of the Colorado General Assembly

Today marks the 66th day of Colorado's 120-Day Legislative Session with 54 days remaining. CDOT is currently monitoring 80 bills of the 533 that have been introduced to date.

Bills CDOT is tracking up this past week and next include:

HB 12-1216 (Becker/Lambert). The Drivers Licensing Services Fund measure which permits the use of funds in the motorist insurance identification account to be used for expenses incurred by the Department of Revenue in licensing drivers and issuing identification cards. The bill was passed the Senate and now heads to the Governor's desk for his signature.

SB 150 (Schwartz/Sonnenberg). The bill to grant the State Treasurer Authority to Manage State Financing was heard in the Senate Finance Committee. The bill was previously amended and exempts the two CDOT enterprises HPTE and Statewide Bridge Enterprise. The bill passed out of the Senate Finance Committee on a 7-0 vote, and was referred to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

HB 1012(Williams A./Guzman.) CDOT's Business Relocation bill, was heard in the Senate Transportation Committee. The bill increases the business relocation reimbursement from \$10,000 to \$50,000. The committee adopted a technical amendment requested by CDOT which was approved unanimously. The bill passed out of the committee 7-0 and has been sent to the Senate Appropriations Committee.

SB 092 (Jahn/Liston). The Motor Vehicle Video Display bill was also up in the House Transportation Committee. The proposal makes it legal to have a video entertainment display in a vehicle forward of the front seats so long as such display screens may not be visible to the driver. The proposal was passed out of the committee and now heads to the full House of Representatives for 2nd Reading.

HB-1222(Becker/Hodge). The bill to recreate the CDOT Renovation Fund that would recreate the CDOT Renovation Fund was up before the Senate Committee on Appropriations and was referred to the full Senate and the consent calendar.

Next week

HB12-1108 (Acree/Jahn) Dept Transportation Urban Logo Signs will be up this coming Thursday, March 22nd in the House Transportation Committee

SB12-059 (Brophy/Sonnenberg). The Commercial Vehicle Standards Livestock & Weight proposal is also scheduled for next Thursday in House Transportation. This bill, as amended by the Senate Transportation Committee; excludes a certain vehicles from commercial vehicle classification.

If you have any questions on these or any other legislative issues please feel free to contact Kurt Morrison, Legislative Liaison at 303-757-9077. This memo and a link to the bill tracking chart are available online at: <http://statebillinfo.com/SBI/index.cfm?fuseaction=Public.Dossier&id=16253&pk=251&style=pinstripe>