

2025/2026 JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

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Unless Otherwise Noted, Meetings are held in the
JBC Hearing Room, 3rd Floor
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Wednesday, November 12, 2025

Morning Agenda Will be Held in LSB-B

- 9:00 – 9:30 Joint Budget Committee Organizational Meeting
- 9:30 – 11:00 Presentation by Governor Polis Concerning the FY 2025-26 Budget Request
- 11:00 – 12:00 Overview of FY 2026-27 Budget Request (Craig Harper)

Afternoon Agenda Will be Held in the JBC Hearing Room

- 1:30 – 2:00 Discussion of Common Hearing Questions (Andrew McLeer)
- 2:00 – 3:30 Briefing for Marijuana Tax Policy Overview (Jon Catlett)
- 3:30 – 4:30 Briefing for Tobacco Revenue (Kelly Shen)

Thursday, November 13

- 9:00 – 10:30 Presentation by Tony Gherardini, Executive Director of the Department of Personnel, Regarding the Annual Report Concerning Total Compensation for State Employees
- 10:30 – 12:00 Briefing for the Department of Local Affairs (Andrea Uhl)
- 1:30 – 3:00 Briefing for the Department of Law (Attorney General's Office) (Scott Thompson)
- 3:30 – 5:00 Briefing for the Department of Regulatory Agencies (Michelle Curry)

Friday, November 14

- 9:00 – 10:30 Briefing for the Department of Labor & Employment (Phoebe Canagarajah)
- 10:30 – 11:30 Briefing for Treasury (Sam Rickman)
- 11:30 – 12:00 Discussion of General Fund Exempt Fund Column in the Long Bill (Eric Kurtz)
- **Added 11/11/25**
- 1:30 – 3:30 Presentation by the Department of Corrections Regarding an Update on the Budget Audit and Discussion of Population Management Measures

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The JBC Will Not Meet on Monday, November 17

Tuesday, November 18

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| 9:00 – 10:00 | Presentation by the Medicaid Provider Rate Review Advisory Committee (MPRRAC) (the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing Staff Will be Available for Questions) |
| 10:00 – 10:30 | Briefing for Medicaid Provider Rate Review Schedule (Eric Kurtz) |
| 10:30 – 12:00 | Briefing for the Department of Transportation (Giulia Bova) |
| 1:30 – 3:30 | Briefing for the Department of Personnel [Compensation Common Policies (Including PERA)] (Mitch Burmeister) |
| 3:30 – 5:00 | Briefing for the Department of Personnel and Operating Common Policies (Tom Dermody) |

Wednesday, November 19

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| 9:00 – 12:00 | Briefing for the Department of Education [All Divisions (except Public School Finance/Categorical Programs)] (Amanda Bickel) |
| 1:30 – 2:30 | Hearing for the Public Employees' Retirement Association (PERA) (Mitch Burmeister) |
| 2:30 – 3:30 | Federal Funds Update (Amanda Bickel) |
| 3:30 – 5:00 | Presentation by the Office of Information Technology to Discuss Development and Procurement |

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Thursday, November 20

- 9:00 – 12:00 Briefing for the Department of Public Health and Environment (Center for Health & Environment Data/ Disease Control and Public Health Response/ Office of HIV, Viral Hepatitis and STI's/ Prevention Services Division/ Health Facilities and Emergency Medical Services) (Kelly Shen), and
Consideration of Interim Supplemental Funding Requests Submitted Pursuant to H.B. 98-1331 for the Department of Public Health and Environment (Lab Chemistry Program) (Kelly Shen) - **Added 11/11/25**
- 1:30 – 3:30 Briefing for the Department of Public Health and Environment (Administration and Support/ Air Pollution and Control Division/ Water Quality Control Division/ Hazardous Materials and Waste Management Division/ Division of Environmental Health and Sustainability) (Andrew McLeer)
- 3:30 – 4:30 Briefing for the Department of Military & Veterans Affairs (Jon Catlett)

Friday, November 21

- 10:00 – 12:00 Briefing for the Department of Human Services (Executive Director's Office/ Administration and Finance/ Office of Children, Youth, and Families) (Emily Pope)
- 1:30 – 2:30 Hearing for Treasury (Sam Rickman)

The JBC Will Not Meet Monday, November 24 - Friday, November 28

Monday, December 1

- 11:00 – 12:00 Hearing for the Department of Military & Veterans Affairs (Jon Catlett)
- 1:30 – 4:00 Hearing for the Department of Public Health and Environment (Andrew McLeer & Kelly Shen)
- 4:00 – 5:00 Hearing for the Department of Regulatory Agencies (Michelle Curry)

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Tuesday, December 2

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| 9:00 – 10:00 | Hearing for the Department of Law (Attorney General’s Office) (Scott Thompson) |
| 10:00 – 11:00 | Briefing for the Department of Natural Resources (Division of Reclamation, Mining & Safety/ Energy and Carbon Management Commission/ State Board of Land Commissioners/ Severance Tax Policy) (Mitch Burmeister) |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | Briefing for the Department of Agriculture (Sam Rickman) |
| 1:30 – 3:30 | Briefing for the Department of Education [Assistance to Public Schools (Public School Finance/ Categorical Programs)] (Andrea Uhl) |

The JBC Will Not Meet Wednesday, December 3- Thursday, December 4

Friday, December 5

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| 9:00 – 10:00 | Briefing for the Departments of Health Care Policy and Financing (Behavioral Health Community Programs), and Human Services [Behavioral Health Administration/ Office of Civil and Forensic Mental Health/ Office of the Ombudsman for Behavioral Health Access to Care (in EDO)] (Emily Pope) |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | Briefing for the Department of Human Services (Office of Economic Security/ Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services) (Tom Dermody) |
| 1:30 – 3:00 | <i>Continued</i> - Briefing for the Department of Human Services (Office of Economic Security/ Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services) (Tom Dermody) |
| 3:00 – 5:00 | Briefing for the Department of Early Childhood (Phoebe Canagarajah) |

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Monday, December 8

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| 10:00 – 12:00 | Briefing for the Department of Public Safety (Executive Director's Office/ Colorado State Patrol/ Division of Fire Prevention and Control/ Colorado Bureau of Investigation/ School Safety Resource Center/ Homeland Security and Emergency Management) (Michelle Curry) |
| 1:30 – 3:00 | Hearing for the Department of Local Affairs (Andrea Uhl) |
| 3:00 – 5:00 | Briefing for the Judicial Department Independent Agencies (Office of State Public Defender/ Office of Alternate Defense Counsel/ Office of The Child's Representative/ Office of The Respondent Parents' Counsel/ Office of The Child Protection Ombudsman/ Independent Ethics Commission/ Office of Public Guardianship/ Commission On Judicial Discipline/ Office of Bridges of Colorado/ Office of Administrative Services for Independent Agencies (Scott Thompson) |

Tuesday, December 9

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| 9:00 – 10:30 | Briefing for the Department of Revenue (Jon Catlett) |
| 10:30 – 12:00 | Briefing for the Department of Natural Resources (Executive Director's Office/ Division of Parks & Wildlife/ Water Conservation Board/ Division of Water Resources/ Division of Forestry) (Kelly Shen) |
| 1:30 – 5:00 | Hearing for the Department of Education (Amanda Bickel & Andrea Uhl) |

Wednesday, December 10

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| 9:00 – 11:00 | Briefing for the Department of Personnel (Giulia Bova) |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | Briefing for the Department of State (Sam Rickman) |
| 1:30 – 5:00 | Briefing for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (Executive Director's Office/ Medical Services Premiums/ Indigent Care Program/ Other Medical Services) (Eric Kurtz) |

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Thursday, December 11

- 9:00 – 12:00 Briefing for the Judicial Department (Supreme Court and Court of Appeals/ State Courts Administration/ Trial Courts/ Probation and Related Services) (Amanda Bickel)
- 1:30 – 3:00 Hearing for the Department of Agriculture (Sam Rickman)
- 3:00 – 5:00 Briefing for the Office of the Governor (Governor's Office/ Office of the Lieutenant Governor/ Office of State Planning and Budgeting/ Economic Development Programs) (Mitch Burmeister)

Friday, December 12

- 9:00 – 10:00 Presentation by the Department of Early Childhood Regarding Early Intervention
- 10:00 – 12:00 Hearing for the Department of Early Childhood (Phoebe Canagarajah)
- 1:30 – 3:00 Hearing for the Department of Transportation (Giulia Bova)

Monday, December 15

- 9:00 – 12:00 Briefing for the Department of Higher Education (Alfredo Kemm)
- 1:30 -3:30 Briefing for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (Office of Community Living) (Tom Dermody)
- 3:30 – 5:00 Hearing for the Department of Labor & Employment (Phoebe Canagarajah)

Tuesday, December 16

- 9:00 – 12:00 Hearing for the Department of Human Services (Emily Pope & Tom Dermody)
- 1:30 – 5:00 *Continued* - Hearing for the Department of Human Services (Emily Pope & Tom Dermody)

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Wednesday, December 17

- 10:00 – 12:00 Hearing for the Judicial Department Independent Agencies (Office of The Child's Representative/ Office of The Respondent Parents' Counsel/ Office of The Child Protection Ombudsman/ Independent Ethics Commission/ Office of Public Guardianship/ Commission On Judicial Discipline/ Office of Bridges of Colorado/ Office of Administrative Services for Independent Agencies (Scott Thompson)
- 1:30 – 3:30 Briefing for the Office of the Governor (Office of Information Technology & Office of Information Technology Common Policies) (Andrew McLeer)
- 3:30 – 4:00 Presentation by the Office of the State Auditor (State Auditor: Kerri Hunter; Jenny Page, and Pooja Tulsian) Concerning Report on Audit Recommendations Not Yet Implemented - **Added 11/11/25**

Thursday, December 18

- 9:00 – 10:00 Hearing for the Department of Revenue (Jon Catlett)
- 10:00 – 12:00 Hearing for the Department of Personnel (Giulia Bova)
- 1:30 – 2:30 Hearing for the Department of State (Sam Rickman)
- 2:30 – 4:00 Briefing for the Department of Public Safety (Division of Criminal Justice) (Justin Brakke)
- 4:00 – 5:00 Briefing for Capital Construction (Controlled Maintenance/ Capital Renewal and Recapitalization, and Capital Expansion: State Facilities including Higher Education) (Andrea Uhl)

Friday, December 19

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- 9:00 – 12:00 Presentation of the December Economic and Revenue Forecast by Legislative Council Staff & Office of State Planning and Budgeting Staff

Afternoon Agenda Will be Held in the JBC Hearing Room

- 1:30 – 4:00 Briefing for the Department of Corrections (Justin Brakke)

The JBC Will Not Meet Monday, December 22, 2025 - Friday, January 2, 2026

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Monday, January 5, 2026

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| 9:00 – 9:30 | Presentation by the State Architect Regarding Capital Construction |
| 9:30 – 12:00 | Hearing for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (Eric Kurtz, Emily Pope, Tom Dermody) |
| 1:30 – 5:00 | <i>Continued</i> - Hearing for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (Eric Kurtz, Emily Pope, Tom Dermody) |

Tuesday, January 6

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| 9:00 – 12:00 | Hearing for the Judicial Department (Supreme Court and Court of Appeals/ State Courts Administration/ Trial Courts/ Probation and Related Services) (Amanda Bickel) |
| 1:30 – 5:00 | Hearing for the Office of the Governor (Mitch Burmeister & Andrew McLeer) |

Wednesday, January 7

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| 9:00 – 11:20 | Hearing for the Department of Corrections (Justin Brakke) |
| 11:30 – 12:00 | Hearing for the Parole Board (Justin Brakke) |
| 1:30 – 3:00 | Hearing for the Department of Public Safety (Division of Criminal Justice) (Justin Brakke) |
| 3:00 – 5:00 | Hearing for the Department of Public Safety (Executive Director's Office/ Colorado State Patrol/ Division of Fire Prevention and Control/ Colorado Bureau of Investigation/ School Safety Resource Center/ Homeland Security and Emergency Management) (Michelle Curry) |

Thursday, January 8

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| 9:00 – 11:00 | Hearing for the Department of Natural Resources (Kelly Shen & Mitch Burmeister) |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | Hearing for the Department of Higher Education (History Colorado) (Alfredo Kemm) |
| 1:30 – 5:00 | Hearing for the Department of Higher Education (Alfredo Kemm) (Details TBA) |

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Friday, January 9

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| 9:00 – 10:30 | Hearing for the Judicial Department Independent Agencies (Office of State Public Defender/ Office of Alternate Defense Counsel) (Scott Thompson) |
| 10:30 – 12:00 | Hearing for the Department of Higher Education (Alfredo Kemm) (Details TBA) |
| 1:30 – 5:00 | Hearing for the Department of Higher Education (Alfredo Kemm) (Details TBA) |