

2026/2027 JOINT BUDGET COMMITTEE SCHEDULE

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Thursday, November 12

Morning Agenda Will be Held in LSB-B

- 9:30 – 10:00 Joint Budget Committee Organizational Meeting
- 10:00 – 11:30 Presentation by Governor Polis Concerning the FY 2027-28 Budget Request

Afternoon Agenda Will be Held in the JBC Hearing Room

- 1:30 – 2:30 Overview of FY 2027-28 Budget Request (Craig Harper)
- 2:30 – 3:00 Discussion of Common Hearing Questions (Sam Rickman)
- 3:00 – 4:00 Briefing for Marijuana Tax Policy Overview (Jon Catlett)
- 4:00 – 5:00 Briefing for Tobacco Revenue (Kelly Shen)

Friday, 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 – 11:30 Presentation by the Medicaid Provider Rate Review Advisory Committee (MPRRAC)
- 11:30 – 12:00 Briefing for Medicaid Provider Rate Review Schedule (Eric Kurtz)
- 1:30 – 3:00 Briefing for the Department of Local Affairs (Andrea Uhl)
- 3:00 – 4:00 Briefing for the Department of Regulatory Agencies (Michelle Curry)
- 4:00 – 5:00 Briefing for the Department of Agriculture (Sam Rickman)

The JBC Will Not Meet Monday November 16 - Wednesday, November 18

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Thursday, November 19

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| 9:00 – 10:00 | Briefing for the Department of Transportation (Giulia Bova) |
| 10:00 – 11:00 | Briefing for the Department of Law (Attorney General's Office) (Scott Thompson) |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | Briefing for the Department of State (Brendan Fung) |
| 1:30 – 3:00 | Briefing for the Department of Personnel [Compensation Common Policies (Excluding PERA)] (Justin Brakke) |
| 3:00 – 3:30 | Briefing for Community Provider Rate Common Policies (Justin Brakke) |
| 3:30 – 5:00 | Briefing for the Department of Early Childhood (Phoebe Canagarajah) |

Friday, November 20

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| 9:00 – 11:00 | Briefing for the Department of Human Services {[Office of Children, Youth, and Families [Administrative Review Unit (Administration & Finance)/ Division of Child Welfare/ Division of Youth Services/ Division of Community Programs]} (Emily Pope) |
| 11:00 – 11:30 | Briefing for the Department of Military & Veterans Affairs (Jon Catlett) |
| 11:30 – 12:00 | Adjustments to Evidence-based Decision Making Statute (Giulia Bova) |
| 1:30 – 4:30 | Briefing for the Department of Education [All Divisions (except Public School Finance/Categorical Programs)] (Amanda Bickel) |

The JBC Will Not Meet Monday, November 23 – Friday, November 27

Monday, November 30

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| 9:00 – 11:00 | Briefing for the Department of Natural Resources (Kelly Shen) |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | Briefings for Treasury & Personnel [Compensation Common Policies (PERA Only)] (Sam Rickman) |
| 1:30 – 2:30 | Hearing for the Department of State (Brendan Fung) |
| 2:30 – 3:30 | Hearing for the Department of Regulatory Agencies (Michelle Curry) |

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Tuesday, December 1

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| 9:00 – 10:00 | Hearing for the Department of Agriculture (Sam Rickman) |
| 10:00 – 12:00 | 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) |
| 1:30 – 2:30 | Hearing for the Department of Transportation (Giulia Bova) |
| 2:30 – 4:00 | Hearing for the Department of Local Affairs (Andrea Uhl) |

Wednesday, December 2

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| 9:00 – 10:00 | Hearing for the Department of Law (Attorney General's Office) (Scott Thompson) |
| 10:00 – 12:00 | Briefing for the Department of Human Services [Executive Director's Office/ Indirect Costs (lead)/ Administration and Finance/ Office of Economic Security (Colorado Benefits Management System, County Administration)] (Tom Dermody & Alex Levy) |
| 1:30 – 3:00 | Briefing for the Department of Human Services Office of Economic Security (Administration/ Employment and Benefits Division/ Food and Energy Assistance/ Child Support Services/ Indirect Cost Assessment)/ Office of Adults, Aging, and Disability Services) (Phoebe Canagarajah) |
| 3:00 – 3:30 | Hearing for the Department of Military & Veterans Affairs (Jon Catlett) |

Thursday, December 3

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| 9:00 – 11:00 | Briefing for the Department of Human Services {Behavioral Health Admin./ Office of Civil and Forensic Mental Health [Office of the Ombudsman for Behavioral Health Access to Care (in EDO)]} (Emily Pope) |
| 11:00 – 11:45 | Hearing for the Department of Education [Colorado School for the Deaf and Blind (CSDB) only] (Amanda Bickel) |
| 1:30 – 3:00 | Hearing for the Department of Early Childhood (Phoebe Canagarajah) |
| 3:00 – 5:00 | Briefing for the Department of Education [Assistance to Public Schools (Public School Finance/ Categorical Programs)] (Andrea Uhl) |

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The JBC Will Not Meet on Friday, December 4

Monday, December 7

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| 10:00 – 12:00 | 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) |
| 1:30 – 3:30 | 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) |
| 3:30 – 5:00 | Briefing for the Department of Revenue (Jon Catlett) |

Tuesday, December 8

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| 9:00 – 11:00 | Briefing for the Department of Personnel (Giulia Bova) |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | Hearing for the Public Employees' Retirement Association (PERA) (Sam Rickman) |
| 1:30 – 3:30 | Hearing for the Department of Natural Resources (Kelly Shen) |
| 3:30 – 5:00 | Briefing for the Department of Labor & Employment (Brendan Fung) |

The JBC Will Not Meet on Wednesday, December 9

Thursday, December 10

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| 9:00 – 12:00 | Briefing for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (Executive Director's Office/ Medical Services Premiums) (Eric Kurtz & Charles Leath) |
| 1:30 – 2:00 | Presentation by the Office of the State Auditor (State Auditor: Kerri Hunter) Concerning Report on Audit Recommendations Not Yet Implemented |
| 2:00 – 4:30 | Briefing for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (Office of Community Living) (Tom Dermody) |

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Friday, December 11

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| 9:00 – 10:30 | Briefing for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (Behavioral Health Community Programs) (Emily Pope) |
| 10:30 – 12:00 | Briefing for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (Indigent Care Program/ Other Medical Services) (Phoebe Canagarajah) |
| 1:30 – 3:00 | Briefing for the Office of the Governor (Office of the Governor/ Office of the Lieutenant Governor/ Office of State Planning and Budgeting/ Economic Development Programs) (Sam Rickman) |
| 3:00 – 5:00 | 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) |

Monday, December 14

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| 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 – 4:00 | Briefing for the Department of Higher Education (Alfredo Kemm) |

Tuesday, December 15

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| 9:00 – 12:00 | Hearing for the Department of Human Services (Tom Dermody, Emily Pope, Phoebe Canagarajah) |
| 1:30 – 5:00 | Continued - Hearing for the Department of Human Services |

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Wednesday, December 16

- 9:00 – 10:00 Hearing for the Department of Revenue (Jon Catlett)
- 10:00 – 12:00 Hearing 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)
- 1:30 – 3:00 Hearing for the Department of Labor & Employment (Brendan Fung)
- 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, December 17

- 9:00 – 10:00 Hearing for Treasury (Sam Rickman)
- 10:00 – 12:00 Hearing for the Department of Personnel (Giulia Bova)
- 1:30 – 3:00 Briefing for the Department of Public Safety (Division of Criminal Justice) (Justin Brakke)
- 3:00 – 5:00 Briefings for the Office of the Governor (Office of Information Technology), and Capital Construction Information Technology Projects (Andrew McLeer)

Friday, December 18

Morning Agenda Will be Held in LSB-B

- 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 – 2:30 Briefing for Capital Construction (Controlled Maintenance/ Capital Renewal and Recapitalization, and Capital Expansion: State Facilities including Higher Education) (Andrea Uhl)
- 2:30 – 5:00 Briefing for the Department of Corrections (Justin Brakke)

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The JBC Will Not Meet Monday, December 21, 2026 – Friday, January 1, 2027

Monday, January 4, 2027

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| 9:00 – 9:45 | Hearing for the Department of Higher Education (Alfredo Kemm)
Panel 1: History Colorado Center, and Cumbres & Toltec Rail Road |
| 9:45 – 10:00 | Hearing for the Department of Higher Education (Alfredo Kemm)
Panel 2: Auraria Higher Education Campus |
| 10:00 – 11:00 | Hearing for the Department of Higher Education (Alfredo Kemm)
Panel 3: Colorado Department of Higher Education and Colorado Commission on Higher Education |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | Hearing for the Department of Higher Education (Alfredo Kemm)
Panel 4: Community College System, Area Technical Colleges, Local District Colleges (Colorado Community College System, Aims Community College, Colorado Mountain College, Emily Griffith Technical College, Pickens Technical College, and Technical College of the Rockies) |
| 1:30 – 3:30 | Hearing for the Department of Public Health and Environment (Andrew McLeer & Kelly Shen) |

Tuesday, January 5

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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 (Sam Rickman & Andrew McLeer) |

Wednesday, January 6

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| 9:00 – 9:30 | Presentation by the State Architect |
| 9:30 – 12:00 | Hearing for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing (Executive Director's Office/ Medical Services Premiums/ Indigent Care Program/ Other Medical Services/ Office of Community Living/ Behavioral Health Community Programs) (Eric Kurtz, Phoebe Canagarajah, Tom Dermody, Emily Pope) |
| 1:30 – 5:00 | Continued - Hearing for the Department of Health Care Policy and Financing |

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| 9:30 – 10:30 | Hearing for the Department of Public Safety (Division of Criminal Justice) (Justin Brakke) |
| 10:30 – 11:00 | Hearing for the Parole Board (Justin Brakke) |
| 11:00 – 12:00 | Hearing for the Department of Corrections (Justin Brakke) |
| 1:30 – 5:00 | Continued - Hearing for the Department of Corrections |

Friday, January 8

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| 9:00 – 12:00 | Hearing for the Department of Higher Education (Alfredo Kemm)
Panel 5: Colorado Mesa University, Metropolitan State University of Denver, Adams State University, Western Colorado University, and Fort Lewis College, University of Colorado System, Colorado State University System, University of Northern Colorado, and Colorado School of Mines |
| 1:30 – 4:00 | Hearing for the Department of Education and the State Charter School Institute (Amanda Bickel & Andrea Uhl) |