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## CALIFORNICATION: COLORADO As You Know It Is Going Away

### Democrat's Radical Sex Ed Bill Leaves Parents Out

by Senator Paul Lundeen, Complete Colorado, Page Two

A controversial education bill got an initial okay in the Democrat-controlled Colorado House of Representatives last Friday. One final vote and it heads to the Senate.

The bill is called the **Comprehensive Human Sexuality Education Act (HB19-1032)**. Legislators and

are ready to hear it. To be clear, this bill isn't about the same type of sex education that was taught when I was in school, or even when my own children attended school.

The bill requires statewide training in a way and on issues and attitudes about heterosexual, gay, lesbian and transgender issues that extend beyond the biology discussions of previous sex ed curricula. And, the



#### "prescribed training on attitudes"

our constituents are lining up predictably on either side of the bill, mostly along party lines.

There are differences of opinion about what curriculum should be taught, and at what age children

bill's statewide mandate affecting "all" children and the shift from a description of biology to prescribed training on attitudes, has sent a head-snapping jolt through Colorado as a society and parents who have children in public schools.

Concerns over the bill's content and the fact that as drafted there is no reliable opt-out for parents who do not want their child to participate caused hundreds to flood into the Capitol. About 300 testified and hundreds others filled the several overflow rooms where

they could listen to the hearing that ran into the evening.

Let's set aside the fact that since our founding as a state it has been

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## Colorado Libs Pushing Red Flag Gun Confiscation Law

by Lesley Hollywood, RallyForOurRights.com

Democrat [Colorado] State lawmakers have introduced a **Red Flag Emergency Risk Protection Order (ERPO)** bill into the 2019 Colorado legislative session. This bill, **HB19-1177**, which was introduced Thursday, February 14th, is far worse than a previously introduced bill which died in 2018. Question everything you hear the media say about this legislation. The devil is in the details.

**Here's the claim of what this bill does:**

*A family member or law enforcement officer would petition a court to request the ability to immediately seize a person's guns. If a judge signs the order, the weapons can be taken away and the court must hold a hearing within 14 days to determine whether to extend the seizure and bar the person from purchasing more firearms. The longest a judge could order the seizure of firearms is 364 days. The entire process is a civil, not criminal, proceeding.*

**Now let's break down the bill language:**



**Who can petition the courts?**

According to the bill summary and media reports, **only family or household**

According to the bill's language, "family or household member" means:

- Person related by blood, marriage, or adoption;

*Co-worker mad? All they have to do is make a report to the police that you're a danger to yourself or another, and they can have your firearms confiscated.*

**members, and law enforcement can petition the courts.** But what is the definition of "family member" and "household member"?

- Person who has a child in common with the respondent, regardless of whether such person has been married to the respondent or has lived together with the

respondent at any time;

- Person who regularly resides or regularly resided with the respondent within the last six months;

- Domestic partner of the respondent;

- Person who has a biological or legal parent-child relationship with the respondent, including stepparents and stepchildren and grandparents and grandchildren;

- Person who is acting or has acted as the respondent's legal guardian;

- A person in any other relationship described in section 18-6-800.3 (2)

with the respondent. [So, what does 18-6-800.3 (2) say? "Intimate relationship" means a relationship between spouses, former spouses, past or present unmarried couples, or persons who are both the parents of the same child regardless of whether the persons have been married or have lived together at any time.]

**Say what?! This is who they define as a "family member" or "household member"?** This person doesn't need to be either a family member or a household member. We're talking scorned ex's, those pretending to be scorned ex's, angry former roommates, those in custody disputes, and so on. And that's not even touching on law enforcement's ability to petition for an ERPO. Co-worker mad? All they have to do is make a report to the police that you're a danger to yourself or another, and they can have your firearms confiscated.

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*Don't be deceived; God is not mocked.*

*For whatever a person sows, he will also reap.*

*Galatians 6: 7 CSB*



# Fremont County Bulletin

## News, Opinion, Commentary

### Events

**Wednesdays, Open Mic Night** from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m.

Family Friendly event at Bell Tower Cultural Center at 201 E. 2nd, Florence.

**Fridays, First Southern Baptist Church** invites women to a **Ladies Bible Study** at 2 p.m. at 0722 N. Broadway Ave. in Penrose.

**Sundays, VFW** hosts its weekly **all-you-can-eat breakfast** from 8-10:30 a.m. at 215 Cottonwood Ave. Meals are \$7 per person, \$4 for children under 12 and free for children under 8. Groups call ahead at 275-9886. The public is welcome.

**February 18, Chautauqua Performance** - "Maya Angelou" portrayed by actor and scholar **Becky Stone** presented by Cañon City Public Library, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m., at United Presbyterian Church, 701 Macon Ave, Cañon City.

**February 22-24 Haunted Java** play will be presented at 7 p.m. February 22-23, and at 3 p.m. Sunday February 24, at Bell Tower Cultural Center at 201 E. Second St. in Florence. Tickets are \$10 for general admission and \$8 for seniors and students and may be purchased at Papa's Pizza, Bell Tower and Big D's in Florence and at City Market in Cañon City and AuthorLynnDonovan@gmail.com.

**February 26, Fremont County Community Concert Association Presents Fredric Chiu in Concert** from 7-9 p.m. at the Canon City High School \$20 for adults, Kindergarten - 6th Grade \$7, and 7th Grade-12th Grade \$12.

**March 16, Florence Arts Council Presents Celtic Step Dancers and Tom Munch in Concert**, traditional Celtic/Irish songs from 7-9 p.m. at Bell Tower 201 E 2nd, Florence. \$5 students \$8 Members \$10 Non Members.

## Cotopaxi Student Receives IBM High School Heroes Award

Cotopaxi High School student, **Chellis Richards**, has been selected as one of six winners this week of the IBM High School Heroes award. Chellis's name, along with five other weekly winners was announced on KOA during the next Broncos game and she is invited to attend the IBM High School Heroes Banquet at Mile High Stadium on March 6th.

Pictured are Chellis Richards and Coach and Athletic Director **Ryan Christensen**, who nominated her. Selection is done by the Colorado High School Activities Association staff from the nominations received.

Courtesy photo



## Night to Shine



Fremont County Sheriff's Office Sgt. Johnston and Deputy Fetterhoff volunteering at Night To Shine 2019!! Pictured here with Eric Vader, a participant. Courtesy Photo

### IMPORTANT DATES IN FREMONT

#### School Board Meeting:

**Cañon City Fremont RE-1**  
2nd and 4th Monday  
5:30 p.m.  
101 N. 14th St,  
Cañon City

**Cañon City Council**  
1st and 3rd  
Mondays at 6 p.m.  
City Hall  
128 Main St.  
Cañon City

**County Commissioners**  
2nd and 4th Tues.  
9:30 a.m.  
615 Macon, Rm. 105  
Cañon City

**Royal Gorge Tea Party**  
2nd Thursday  
6:30 p.m.  
Core Knowledge  
School Gymnasium,  
890 Fields Ave.  
Cañon City  
www.royalgorge  
teaparty.com

**Fremont Republican Central Committee**  
4th Tuesday, 6:30 p.m.  
603 Main Street  
Cañon City

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#### What is needed to file the ERPO petition?

The filing of the ERPO petition can be done either in person or **over the phone**. The petition must be filed in the county court of where the accused lives – but since the petitioner can do it over the phone, they don't even need to be in the same state. There is NO filing fee. The petitioner even has the option to **not provide their address** – for safety, of course – never mind the address could simply be left off any actual order as they do with temporary restraining orders.

Questions that will be asked on the petition include how many firearms the accused has, what types, and where they are located. This doesn't only include ownership – it also includes possession, custody, or control. Petitioners are also asked to disclose if there are any other legal actions pending between parties, such as: current restraining orders, lawsuits, civil suits, custody cases, etc, but the existence of such cases shall not delay or prevent an ERPO from being granted.

And finally, no one is required to tell the accused that a petition is being filed or has been filed.

**What happens after the ERPO petition is filed?**

Once an ERPO is filed, a hearing will be set either the same day or the next day. Once again, the petitioner **does not need to be present**. They can attend this hearing over the phone, while never being required to show proof of any relationship to the accused, and not even provide their address! At this hearing, the petitioner will be asked to provide a "preponderance" of evidence with the goal being to convince the fact finder judge that there is a greater than 50% chance that the claim is true. Now, remember, this is over the telephone.

What kind of evidence are they looking for? A recent act or credible threat of violence, even if such act does not involve use of a firearm. Self harm or threats of self harm within the past year. A prior violation of a protection order. A previous ERPO. Prior domestic violence convictions. Prior ARREST, not even conviction, of a whole host of other crimes. Ownership, access to, or intent to purchase a firearm. Drug or alcohol abuse. Recent acquisition of a firearm or ammunition. **How do you provide this evidence during a telephone hearing?**

At this hearing the court will either approve or deny the ERPO. If it is denied, they must document reasoning for denial. Judges will err on the side of caution. **Once the ERPO is approved, a warrant to search the home**

**for weapons is also issued.** All while the only person who has no idea this is happening, is the person being accused of no crime.

#### How will the ERPO be enacted?

Once the ERPO and warrant are in hand, it's time for the police to take action. Considering we see SWAT teams show up to homes where someone is reported to possibly be suicidal, it won't be pretty. The county sheriff is required to work with city police. They will show up at the door without so much as a warning, manually deliver the order, ask the accused to surrender their firearms, and if they refuse or claim to have none, they will search the home. Honestly, even if firearms are surrendered, they will likely STILL search the home. Did the petitioner make claim you have firearms at a place of business? Expect that location to be included on the search warrant. During this interaction, law enforcement is required to determine if the accused should be put into a 72 hour involuntary commitment hold.

It is not unlikely children, spouses, even co-workers will be present during these raids.

Once the firearms have been confiscated, the accused will be asked if they'd like to sell them, store them with law enforcement, or store them with a Federal Firearms Licence holder (FFL). The accused's information will also

be added to the CBI and NICS database prohibiting them from purchasing guns.

Along with the order that will be delivered upon the accused, a court date for 14 days later is given. This will be the first opportunity the accused will have to speak on their own behalf.

#### What happens at the 14 day ERPO hearing?

Prior to the hearing, the court will appoint an attorney or the accused can obtain their own or they can proceed self represented. Because no one has been charged with a crime, these are civil cases, not criminal. This means public defenders are not used, but instead the state would appoint one from a pool of attorneys who have agreed to work these cases. These are not provided at no cost – unless you qualify as indigent according to the court. It is unclear what the cost will be.

During this hearing the petitioner and the accused will have the ability to provide evidence, call witnesses, cross examine witnesses, etc. The petitioner does not need to be present, and can provide sworn affidavits.

At the end of the hearing, the judge will either dismiss the ERPO, and the firearm rights of the accused will be restored and their guns returned. Or the temporary ERPO will become a permanent ERPO. This would mean

it will remain in effect for 364 days. The judge has the discretion to schedule hearings sooner than the 364 days if he or she believes the order should be lifted sooner. The accused also has ONE opportunity during that 364 day period to request a hearing. If they do request a hearing, the petitioner is alerted and that person can request it be denied.

#### What happens when the 364 days is up?

Whew, it's been a long year by this point. So what happens now? The petitioner will be alerted that the ERPO is going to expire, and they can request it be extended. If this happens, another hearing similar to the one at 14 days will take place. And it begins again...

#### What are the penalties?

Any person who has in his or her custody or control a firearm or purchases, possesses, or receives a firearm with knowledge that he or she is prohibited from doing so by an ERPO or temporary ERPO is guilty of a class 2 misdemeanor.

**What can you do to help stop this? Contact your state lawmakers and urge them to oppose this legislation.** Go here, <http://www.rallyforourrights.com/elected-officials/>, to find contact information for legislators.

Please see: <http://www.rallyforourrights.com/colorados-red-flag-erpo-worse-than-you-think/>



# Colorado State News

## Caldara: Democrats Are Outsourcing The Governing of Colorado

by Jon Caldara,  
The Independence Institute

Maybe I'm off base here, but I can't help but notice a theme. Democrats in charge of our state government don't want the people of Colorado to be in control of their own state.

The elected Democrats in charge of Colorado don't even want themselves to be in charge of Colorado. They're hell-bent to get out-of-staters to do the job.

Maybe that's great delegation skills because it certainly isn't expedient to push a leftist agenda.

Let me offer just three examples.

First, just before he moved out of the governor's mansion, President-elect John Hickenlooper signed an executive order condemning Coloradans to follow the dictates of the governor of California. He "adopted" the California low-emission vehicle standards.

Fortunately, the Colorado Automobile Dealers Association has

challenged this unconditional surrender in court, arguing that if Hick wants our car choices to be limited by Gavin Newsome's whims, he needed to at least get the permission of our state legislature first.

In my quixotic quest to find the three remaining principled liberals of yore who still believe "the ends don't justify the means," I'm waiting for the Dems now in control of the legislature to support this legal challenge. While they may love the idea of forcing Coloradans to replace their pickups with Telsas at gunpoint, you'd think they'd want to do it themselves, via their legal authority.

If they're fine with the governor giving their power away to another state's governor, then Colorado lawmakers can't whine when a future Republican governor lets Texas regulate our oil wells.

Second example. Our new Attorney General, Phil Weiser, plans to join other Democrat AGs to appeal a federal judge's ruling in December that Obamacare cannot remain in place now that Re-

publicans have removed the tax penalty for those who don't have health insurance.

It wasn't that long ago when former Colorado Attorney General John Suthers went to bat for Colorado, suing the feds on the principle they couldn't control the insurance and health care policies of Colorado — that was up to our state lawmakers.

Fast forward to today and now our new AG is suing to make sure that bureaucrats in Washington control both our health-care policies and how the state spends our Medicaid funding.

This is particularly odd given our new governor's love of socialized medicine, warmly called "Medicare for all." Should the ruling by this federal judge that Obamacare is unconstitutional hold, it could give Jared Polis and his leftist legislature the legal and political room to socialize Colorado's health care their way.

Third example. Our Democrat-controlled state Senate passed a bill to change the way we in Colorado vote for U.S. president,

endorsing the "national popular vote." If ultimately successful, this would force Colorado's nine (likely to be ten after the next census) electors in the Electoral College to cast all their votes to the presidential candidate that received the most popular votes nationwide.

Or to put it differently, our electors could no longer vote for the president that the majority of Coloradans supported. This bill disenfranchises Colorado voters and makes us subservient to large population centers of New York and Los Angeles.

It creates a system the Founders wished to avoid where states race to inflate their vote counts. Today that could mean a state allowing 16-years-olds, felons and undocumented immigrants to vote.

The bill goes even further. In order for the Colorado Secretary of State (SOS) to count who "won" the national popular vote, she must accept the vote counts reported by other state's secretaries of state by a date certain. Even if some of the reports are uncertain or obviously falsified, she can't

wait for the matter to be legally resolved. She must use the vote count another secretary of state tells her to use.

Imagine a crooked Texas SOS (since we're beating up on Texas) who "officially" reports 99 percent of all Texans, living and dead, voted for Trump. Before the courts might officially reverse his lie, our secretary of state must order our ten electors to cast their votes for him.

I get that the progressives now in charge of our state want what they want in the fastest, most expedient, heavy-handed way they can get it. Power is intoxicating.

But I ask them to take a step back and see they are disempowering all the power-hungry Colorado politicians to come. Oh. And the people too, if that matters.

*Jon Caldara is president of the Independence Institute, a free market think tank in Denver.*

Please see: <https://pagetwo.completicolorado.com/2019/02/07/caldara-democrats-are-outsourcing-the-governing-of-colorado/>

## Mountain Lion Attacks & Other Incidents

### Part XVIII

Mountain Lion Attacks & Other Incidents  
From 2000 to date  
As of June 27, 2017

by [www.tchester.org](http://www.tchester.org)

**2014-8-05: Serious Injury. AB—Nose Mountain area S of Grand Prairie.** A woman fisheries biologist with Alberta's provincial Environment and Sustainable Resource Development (ESRD) was conducting research with six other environmental workers when she was attacked by a cougar. Her co-workers administered first aid until she could be transported to The Queen Elizabeth II Hospital in Grande Prairie by STARS air ambulance. Apparently the injuries sustained by the victim were serious. The woman's name was not released. Four Fish & Wildlife officers were tracking the cougar with hounds and planned to kill it if they found it.

<http://edmonton.ctvnews.ca/biologist-in-hospital-after-cougar-attack-near-grande-prairie-1.1949117>

**2014-8-24: Moderate Injury. Alberta—Waterton Lakes National Park.** 17-year-old Mykaela Belter was hiking on a well-used trail with her family when a cougar stuck its head out of the bushes and grabbed her lower back and side. Her sister grabbed Mykaela and pulled her back, and her father yelled at it. The cougar looked as if it might pounce again, but approached by a crowd of hikers, it decided to leave. Mykaela had fairly minor injuries from the cat's claws. She was examined and treated at a hospital where she received four stitches to close one of the scratch wounds. The scratches and bruises were along her thigh and lower back. Park officials killed the 90-pound female as it was stalking another group of hikers. It appeared to be healthy and well fed.

<http://www.calgarysun.com/2014/08/26/alberta-teen-saved-from-cougar-attack-by-sister>

<http://calgaryherald.com/news/local-news/cougar-destroyed-in-waterton-lakes-national-park-after-attack-on-teenage-girl>

**2015-1-30: Serious Injury. Alberta—55 miles south of Grande Prairie.** A crew of pipeline



workers in a forested area were stalked and attacked by a mountain lion, inflicting serious but non-life threatening injuries on two men. Stephen Campbell, 31, one of the victims, told *Global News* that it was the most terrifying experience of his life.

"I felt a weight on my back and I thought, initially, one of the boys was coming around to horse around," Campbell said. "Then I felt the cougar bite into my skull and sink its claws into the sides of my face."

Campbell credited the three other men on the pipeline crew for coming to his rescue, using bare fists and skid hooks in an attempt to get the 80-pound cat off of him. The animal's initial attack nearly ended the pipeline worker's life in an instant—a slash of the cat's claws caught Campbell just above his throat on his chin. Subsequent biting nearly took his ear off and left multiple laceration marks on his face. Campbell was eventually able to throw the cougar to the ground, which gave the men enough time to lock themselves within the safety of their truck. When one of the men left the safety of the car to check if the animal had left, the mountain lion pounced on him and bit the man in the shoulder.

The crew then had no choice but to wait it out inside the truck. At one point, the cat even crawled underneath the vehicle's trailer, where it stayed until the Royal Canadian Mounted Police arrived and euthanized the animal. Alberta Fish and Wildlife stated that it is currently investigating the incident, but can give no clues as to why the cougar decided to attack the pipeline crew. Wildlife experts say mountain lion attacks are rare, but not unheard of. The fact that this animal decided to attack not just one person, but several, is also troubling.

"It was stalking us," Campbell confirmed in an interview.

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a matter settled in the constitution, law and practice that curriculum choice is the sole responsibility and authority of local Colorado school districts—a reality the bill ignores. Now, in response to the stated intentions of the bill let's ask, is there a way for parents to ensure that their children are taught about sexuality in a way that makes sense for their families?

A recent poll by the American Federation for Children reveals that 67 percent of voters support school choice, up four percent from last year. And this isn't completely partisan. While more Republicans support school choice over any other group, 56 percent of Democrats and 69 percent of independents favor school choice as well. As more parents take an active role in their children's education, they increasingly look for a school that suits their individual needs.

This is where school choice intersects with the general debate over teaching sex education, and the specific debate over HB19-1032. When individual school districts are able to make decisions on how to teach every subject, there is room for differences in sex education. Survey 10 parents at random and you will get 10 different opinions. Some parents think it is their job, some think the school is best suited to teach this topic. Parents who think schools can best teach human sexuality are still split on what the curriculum should contain, and at what ages children should be taught the various aspects of the subject. Yet there is greater potential for parents and students to take up

the issue when the framework for discussion is created nearer their homes.

I vigorously oppose HB19-1032. But I am supportive of school districts considering, adjusting and implementing some policy on the subject.

If the parents of that district like the decision, they can reward that school board with their votes and support. If the parents of that district don't like the decision, they can withhold their support at the ballot box when those school board members are up for re-election, and they can choose another school district for their children.

Even if you allow room for differences of opinion regarding the content of HB19-1032, the approach promoted by the bill has the blunt force trauma of a singular perspective pushed upon an entire state. This approach should offend the liberty-loving inclinations of us all. Consider for a moment a legislative majority that supported mandated abstinence-only curriculum for teaching human sexuality. My arguments would be the same.

Regardless of who is in charge in the Colorado Legislature, parental choice in education best serves children when those choices can be made as close as possible to home.

*Republican State Senator Paul Lundeen represents Senate District 9 in El Paso County. He is a member of the Senate Education Committee.*

Please see: <https://pagetwo.completicolorado.com/2019/02/16/lundeen-flawed-sex-ed-bill-leaves-parents-out-of-the-equation/>

## Articles and Links to Websites

### Red FLAG Law

<http://www.rallyforourrights.com/colorados-red-flag-erpo-worse-than-you-think/>

### EMAIL YOUR REPRESENTATIVES TODAY ON GUN CONFISCATION LAW

Rocky Mountain Gun Owners makes it easy to do at this site and will update it as the bill goes to the Senate

[https://www.rmgo.org/uploads/2019/RMGO\\_0220.html](https://www.rmgo.org/uploads/2019/RMGO_0220.html)

<https://rmgo.org/billwatch/>

Sign your petition opposing "Red Flag" Gun Confiscation in Colorado: <https://pages.rmgo.org/no-red-flag-petition/>

From Rock Mt Gun Owners official page: February 21st at 1:30 pm in the Old State Library, the Colorado House Judiciary Committee will deliberate House Bill 1177, also known as the "Red Flag" Gun Confiscation bill. Come testify against this unconstitutional bill and sign the petition at the address above:

### Lundeen: Flawed sex ed bill leaves parents out of the equation

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## COLORADO SPRINGS - THIS SATURDAY

### Parental Rights Under Siege



### Exposing the "Not-so-Hidden" Agenda

#### *Informational Seminar*

**Date:** Saturday, Feb. 23, 2019     **Time:** 9:00 am-11:30 am

**Place:** Colorado Springs Christian School

4845 Mallow Rd., Colorado Springs, CO 80907

#### *Speakers*

**Robin & Drew Paterson** — Cherry Creek parents fighting porn in their children's schools portals

**Debbie Chaves** — Executive Director, Colorado Family Action

**Kevin Lundberg** — Former Colorado State Senator

**Stephanie Curry, Esq.** — Manager-Public Policy, Family Policy Alliance

**Carolyn Martin** — Christian Home Educators of Colorado (CHEC) Legislative Liaison

#### *Hear details about these pending bills:*

**HB19-1032:** requires children to be taught behaviors & practices of LGBT as "normal" & *much more!*

**HB19-1129:** prohibits "Conversion Therapy"; prevents Biblical counseling of unwanted same-sex attraction!

**HB19-1120:** 12-year-olds could get Mental Health services without parental consent!

Free Seminar (Donations accepted to cover rental of venue) Questions? [lindabt@me.com](mailto:lindabt@me.com)

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