



## Tuesday, November 3, 2020

**Colorado Ballot Information Book (Blue Book)** 

English, Spanish and Audio



The legislative leadership of the American Subcontractors Association participated in 3 days of candidate interviews. Each candidate was asked a series of questions that gauged their understanding and support of the construction industry and the subcontractor business.

The candidate responses were reviewed and discussed and a determination of support was made. Endorsed candidates received a letter of endorsement, financial contribution and a badge to use on their website and in campaign communications. *Click the blue button* for a list of the 20 endorsed candidates and information on each candidate.

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**The Colorado 2020 General Election Ballot** has amendments and propositions. We encourage you to review and understand each of these and to make an informed decision.

ASAC reviews ballot issues for their impact to business and determine based on research, presentations and discussion we determine what position we believe is in the best interest of the subcontractor business owner. The profitability and strength of our member businesses ensure a safe and healthy work environment, the ability to offer a living wage to employees and to deliver a quality product to customers.

## PROPOSITION 117, Require Voter Approval of Certain New Enterprises Exempt from TABOR Initiative (2020)

**Proposition 117** would drastically limit the ability of state lawmakers to create public programs. A nonpartisan legislative analysis found that had Proposition 117 been in effect previously, it would have triggered elections on seven of the 16 government-run state enterprises Colorado had in place in 2019, affecting as much as \$7.6 billion in annual public spending by universities, state parks and prisons. It also would have required voter approval for an insurance program Gov. Jared Polis that imposed new fees on health insurance plans and hospitals. These restrictions would have impacted education, recreation, public safety and healthcare. ASAC OPPOSES PROPOSITION 117.

## PROPOSITION 118, Paid Family Medical Leave Act (2020)

**Proposition 118** would most certainly mean higher taxes and more bureaucracy. At a time when our economy has suffered an unprecedented blow in the form of COVID-19, unemployment is skyrocketing and so many Coloradans are struggling, a new tax that represents a 20% increase on income tax will be devastating to both individuals and small businesses. Further, several studies have questioned the solvency of this new program based on the low utilization rates that were modeled. If the program becomes insolvent, state lawmakers will be forced to fund the program from general fund dollars and that equates to cuts in education, transportation and other state needs. <u>READ MORE.</u> ASAC OPPOSES PROPOSITION 118.