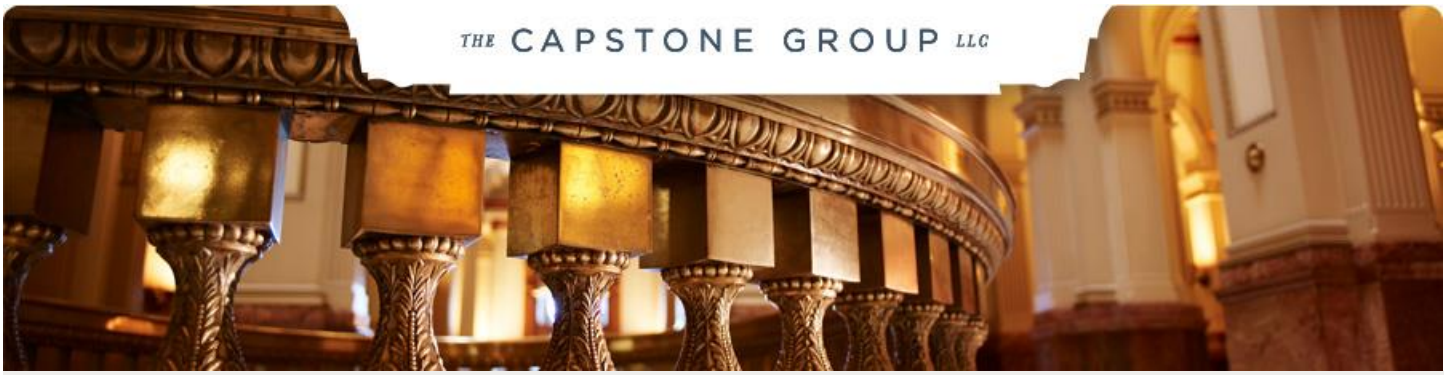


General Assembly Leadership and Gubernatorial Transition Updates

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On Saturday, the Senate Republican caucus met to elect new leadership following the announcementof Minority Leader Cleave Simpson to Colorado's agriculture commissioner under incoming Governor Phil Wesier. Senator Lisa Frizell will assume the top spot as Senate Minority Leader. Senator Barb Kirkmeyer will remain the caucus' designee on the Joint Budget Committee. Full General Assembly leadership for the seventy-sixth General Assembly is below.

House Democratic Leadership:
Speaker: Jennifer Bacon
Majority Leader: Javier Mabrey
Speaker Pro Tem: to be appointed by the Speaker
Assistant Majority Leader: Jenny Willford
Caucus Whips: Matthew Martinez & Michael Carter
Caucus Chairs: Chad Clifford & Jamie Jackson

House Republican Leadership:
Minority Leader: Jarvis Caldwell
Assistant Minority Leader: Ty Winter
Caucus Whip: Carlos Barron
Caucus Chair: Anthony Hartsook

Senate Democratic Leadership:
President: James Coleman
Majority Leader: Dylan Roberts
President Pro Tem: Kyle Mullica
Assistant Majority Leader: Katie Wallace
Caucus Whip: Iman Jodeh
Caucus Chair: Janice Marchman

Senate Republican Leadership:
Minority Leader: Lisa Frizell
Assistant Minority Leader: Byron Pelton
Minority Whip: Janice Rich
Caucus Chair: Scott Bright

Joint Budget Committee:
Senator Judy Amabile (D), Chair
Representative Kyle Brown (D), Vice Chair
Senator Emily Sirota (D)
Representative Lorena Garcia (D)
Senator Barbara Kirkmeyer (R)
Representative Rick Taggart (R)

The Joint Budget Committee began meeting on November 12th receiving briefings from JBC staff on Governor Polis's final budget request submission. It is expected that Governor-elect Phil Weiser will submit a budget amendment package, essentially issuing his own budget request, before the end of January. Last week, Governor-elect Weiser announced that Dominick Moreno, former Senate Majority Leader and JBC member, will serve as the Director of the Governor's Office of State Planning and Budgeting (OSPB).

Governor-elect Weiser also announced his transition committee members.

The First Regular Session of the Seventy-sixth General Assembly will convene on January 11, 2027.

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