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State Preemption on Pesticides Is Respected

Earlier this week, my colleagues and I who sit on the Senate Transportation & Energy Committee heard House Bill 23-1161 regarding Environmental Standards for Appliances. There was outrage and shock when an amendment was offered (and passed by a 4:3 vote) that would allow local governments to take up regulations that limit the use of pesticides.

While technically allowed under the title rulings, trying to add an amendment about pesticides on a bill that is dealing with appliances like lightbulbs and commercial ovens is D.C. style politics.

Coloradoans deserve a more transparent process. I commend the sponsors of HB23-1161 for recognizing this and being willing to listen to agricultural stakeholders on why we need state preemption on some things, like pesticide usage.

The pesticide amendment was removed this morning in the Senate Appropriations Committee.

Bill Updates

HB23-1261 No Requirement For Selective Service Higher Education This bill removes the requirement that an applicant to a statesupported institution of higher education must register for a Selective Service.

(Selected Service is an independent agency of the United States government that maintains information on U.S. citizens and other U.S. residents potentially subject to military conscription). STATUS: Assigned to the Senate Education Committee

HB23-1268 Private Treatment for Out-of-state Defendant

This bill clarifies the process and requirements for treating a supervised or unsupervised person (who have been convicted in another state) in a private treatment program in Colorado. STATUS: Assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee

HB23-1250 Attorney General Jurisdiction Regulate Architects

This bill makes a correction to the Colorado Revised Statutes to ensure that the attorney general's powers and duties include concurrent jurisdiction by changing "part 3" to "part 4" to refer to the regulation of architects.

STATUS: Assigned to the Senate Judiciary Committee

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