# These Colorado laws will go into effect Wednesday

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Hundreds of laws will take effect in August in Colorado after bills were passed by the state legislature in the 2025 regular session.

Here are a few of the most notable new laws that will go into effect as of Wednesday, Aug. 6, which is 90 days after the legislature adjourned.

### **Misbranding Cultivated Meat Products as Meat**

<u>HB25-1203</u> - The act prohibits food processing plants from selling or offering for sale cell-cultivated meat that is misbranded as a meat product.

## **Intimate Digital Depictions Criminal & Civil Actions**

<u>SB25-288</u> - The act creates a cause of action against a person who discloses or threatens to disclose a highly realistic but false visual depiction of another individual (created through false computer means) that depicts the intimate body parts of the depicted individual or certain sexual acts.

### **Prohibiting Price Gouging in Sales of Necessities**

<u>HB25-1010</u> - The act provides that a person engages in <u>price gouging if</u>, after the governor <u>declares a disaster emergency</u>, the price of the good or service is increased by 10% or more above the price before the emergency.

#### **Communication Devices in Schools**

<u>HB25-1135</u> - The act requires schools to adopt, implement and post on its website about student cellphone policies.

# **Confidentiality Requirements Mental Health Support**

<u>HB25-1087</u> - The act <u>prohibits a peer support team member from disclosing</u>, without the consent of the recipient, the confidential communications made by the recipient <u>during a peer</u> support interaction.

#### **Online Cancellation of Automatic Renewal Contracts**

SB25-145 - The act requires sellers to to provide consumers with an opportunity to cancel automatic renewal contracts online if the consumer consented to the automatic renewal contract online.

# **Insurance Coverage for Breast Cancer Examinations**

SB25-296 - The act makes changes to requirements for preventive care coverage by health insurers for breast cancer screening.

### **Designation of State Mushroom**

HB25-1091 - The act designates the Emperor mushroom, as the state mushroom of Colorado.

## **Prohibiting Pet Animal Sales in Public Spaces**

HB25-1180 - The act prohibits pet sales on any public street, highway, right-of-way, parkway, median strip, park, recreation area, outdoor market, parking lot, or other public space.

## 14 Days Hospitals Retain Blood Draws for Investigations

SB25-273 - The act requires hospitals or other health-care facilities to retain blood draws or admission blood samples for 14 days if the subject is of a coroner's death inquest or investigation.

#### Tax Incentive for Film Festivals

HB25-1005 - The act creates a new refundable tax credit for a qualified film festival entity with a multi-decade operating history to relocate to Colorado.

#### Water Supply Measurement & Forecasting Program

HB25-1115 - The act authorizes the Colorado water conservation board to administer a water supply measurement and forecasting program to collect and disseminate data on snowpack levels.

## More laws that go into effect Aug. 6 in Colorado

- HB25-1059 Food Waste Reduction in Public Schools
- HB25-1292 Transmission Lines in State Highway Rights-of-Way
- HB25-1113 Limit Turf in New Residential Development
- SB25-289 Creation of a Drug Donation Program
- HB25-1040 Adding Nuclear Energy as a Clean Energy Resource
- HB25-1163 Free Access to State Parks for Colorado Ute Tribes
- SB25-069 Tire Chain Traction Control Device Permit

More laws can be found on the Colorado General Assembly's website.