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1) Suicide rates in Colorado are well above the national average, this bill would allow minors as young as 12 to be treated for mental health reasons through psychotherapy without parental consent. Additionally, this bill would create a mental health education literacy resource bank (mental health resources and information) which would be free to the public.

2) This bill would establish election day as a state holiday instead of Columbus Day. Advocates say that having a holiday on election day would increase voter turnout, and Columbus Day celebrates a figure who was horrible to indigenous people.

3) This bill would prohibit any doctors or mental health providers from performing conversion therapy on a minor. If someone were to engage in conversion therapy anyways, they would be subject to punishment. "Conversion therapy" is an act that is meant to change someone's sexual orientation.

4) Many are familiar with the bright flash that shortly precedes an expensive ticket. This bill would ban these red light cameras that use pictures and vehicle identification to identify violators of traffic laws.

5) Arapahoe seniors know the struggles of paying for college. This bill will ensure that all state-supported 4-year colleges (CU, CSU) will offer tuition that stays the same until the student completes their degree program, 140 credit hours, or 5 years. Schools will not be able to increase any prices until then.

6) This bill would make it easier for transgender persons to obtain a new birth certificate that matches their gender identity. The bill would repeal the requirement that individuals get a court order to legally change their name and gender designation.

7) This bill would prohibit vaping in public buildings.