



## COLORADO SENATE REPUBLICANS

### Colorado Senate Republican Caucus Meeting Minutes

**Host:** Colorado Senate Republican Caucus

**Date:** Tuesday, April 14th, 2026

**Time of Convening:** 12:07 PM

**Location:** Independence Institute (727 E. 16th Ave., Denver, 80203)

**Attendees:** Senate Minority Leader **Cleave Simpson**, Assistant Minority Leader **Lisa Frizell**, Minority Whip **Janice Rich**, Minority Caucus Chair **Byron Pelton**, Senators **Mark Baisley**, **Scott Bright**, **John Carson**, **Marc Catlin**, **Barb Kirkmeyer**, **Senator Larry Liston**, **Rod Pelton**, **Lynda Zamora Wilson**, caucus staff, press, other members of the public.

#### **Agenda:**

##### **12:07 PM**

- Caucus Chair Byron Pelton convened the meeting.

##### **12:08 PM**

- Senator Byron Pelton gives opening remarks and makes room introductions.

##### **12:10 PM**

- Senator Kirkmeyer discusses the 2025-26 Budget and the direction of the upcoming 2026-2027 Budget.

##### **12:13 PM**

- Senator Kirkmeyer explains in detail each Department's funding

##### **1:30 PM**

- Staff gives a report on how the \$1.1B deficit was filled along with other budget numbers. Staff provides update on Long Bill floor schedule

**1:43 PM: Meeting Adjourned**