TOP 5 Legislative Wins

How CACI Member DigitalGlobe Improved Colorado’s Business Climate

CACI Driving Forward
CACI is Colorado’s Leading Pro-Business Force

How a CACI Member Improved Colorado’s Job Climate

“DigitalGlobe and CACI partnered to enact an important change to Colorado tax policy to attract and retain more aerospace and geospatial jobs in the State. CACI took up the issue, negotiated the process, and as a result legislation to support Colorado-based space flight products was signed by Governor Hickenlooper. Colorado has become more supportive of aerospace and geospatial companies thanks to our partnership with CACI.”

— Jeffrey R. Tarr, CEO, DigitalGlobe

October 2013  DigitalGlobe CFO Yancey Spruill contacts CACI Sr. Vice President of Business Partnerships David Tabor to explain that Colorado tax policy makes Colorado uncompetitive for his company.

CACI’s Sr. Vice President of State and Federal Affairs, Loren Furman, contacts DigitalGlobe to learn more.

November 2013  Armed with data, Furman meets with members of the Governor’s staff and key Legislative leaders. Senators Hodge and Grantham, and Speaker Ferrandino and Minority Leader DelGrosso, agree to co-sponsor legislation.

December 2013  CACI gathers a coalition of businesses including DigitalGlobe, Lockheed Martin Space Systems, The Boeing Company, Ball Corporation, and Sierra Nevada Corporation to provide support and expertise.

January 2014  HB 1178 is introduced and works its way through the House and Senate.

May 2014  Governor Hickenlooper signs HB 1178, solidifying Colorado’s place as a leading space industry state.

CACI Grows to Serve Colorado Business

(L to R): Governor Hickenlooper speaks to CACI members; Littler’s Stacey Campbell speaks to CACI manufacturers about labor policy issues; CACI Federal Affairs hosted Congressman Cory Gardner for a conversation about cybersecurity policy; Manufacturing leaders tour Ball Corporation; CACI’s new mobile-friendly website; Local Chamber Day at the Capitol; Lockheed’s Joe Rice discusses Aerospace with local chamber leaders.
Private sector job growth is key to a thriving and sustainable Colorado economy. CACI is leading Colorado forward, championing a pro-jobs business climate!

TOP 5 WINS Demonstrate CACI’s Leadership and Strength

1. **Kept Workers Compensation Costs Under Control**
   Repeated efforts have attempted to allow an injured worker to choose ANY doctor. CACI led negotiations on HB 1383 that keeps costs under control while giving workers more doctor choice.

2. **Improved Colorado as a Space-Friendly State!**
   HB 1178, initiated by CACI, provides tax exemptions allowing for space flight property to be stored and maintained in Colorado.

3. **Supported a Responsible Energy Industry**
   HB 1297 would have required the state to survey residents about how they “feel” their health may be affected by the energy industry. The survey had a pre-determined oppositional agenda. CACI successfully helped kill this.

Noble counts on CACI, from its statewide, broad-based business leadership role, to encourage Colorado policymakers to adopt reasonable and appropriate laws and regulations.

—Ted Brown, Senior Vice President, Noble Energy

4. **Improved Colorado’s Manufacturing Workforce**
   CACI successfully supported broadening affordable educational opportunities for those in or entering manufacturing (HB 1085, SB 004). CACI supported HB 1013, which would have funded internships for manufacturing workers but which unfortunately did not pass.

5. **Successfully Fought Higher Health Care Costs**
   CACI vigorously opposed HB 1108, which would have mandated lower copays on certain medical services. Lower copays mean higher premiums and CACI urged Governor Hickenlooper to veto the legislation, which he did.
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