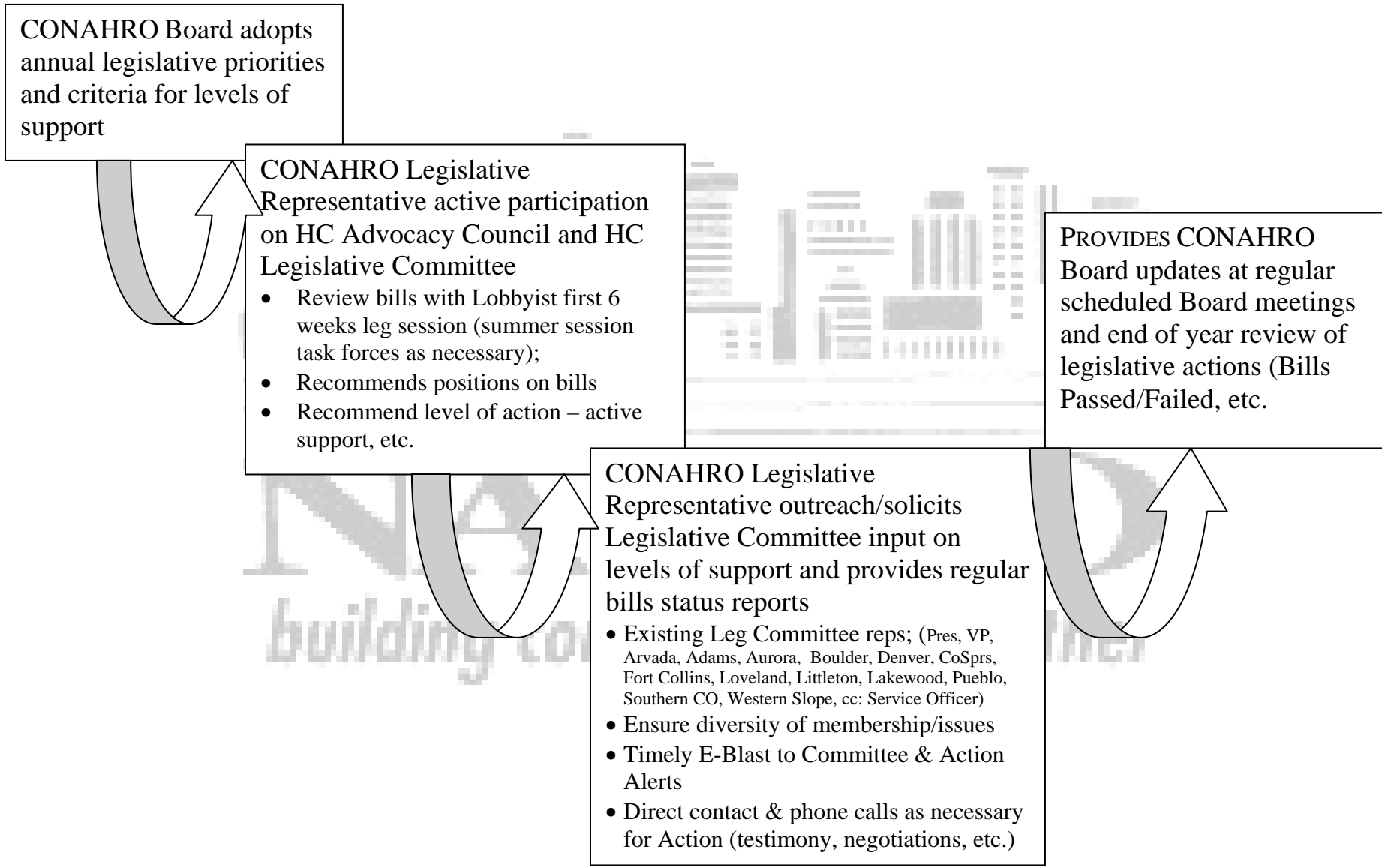


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	ACTIVE SUPPORT	LIMITED SUPPORT	NEUTRAL/MONITOR	ACTIVE OPPOSITION
<i>Definition</i>	<i>Must have a direct or demonstrable impact on affordable housing & community development</i>	<i>Secondary impact on affordable housing & community development</i>	<i>Benefits to affordable housing & community development appear to be marginable in terms of impact and costs</i>	<i>Negative direct or demonstrable impact on affordable housing & community development</i>
Monitoring	Intensive	Track changes or requests for support	Status report	Track changes
Public Use of HA's/CD name	YES	YES	NO	YES
Member education	Extensive; update on changes	Preliminary description; update any significant changes	Brief explanation of bill or position of neutrality	Preliminary description; update any significant changes
CONAHRO Organizational letter/ad	YES	May co-sign with another organization	NO	May co-sign with another organization
Organize Testimony	YES	Special circumstances only	NO	Special circumstances only
Activate membership to call, e-mail or write	YES	NO/Special circumstances only	NO	NO/Special circumstances only

**Proposed *Criteria: 2009-2010 CONAHRO State Legislative Priorities
Developing/Taking Positions on Affordable Housing & Community Development
December 2, 2009**

1. In order adopt a position/level of support the legislative action must:

- a. Be consistent with CONAHRO Strategic Plan
- b. Have a statewide or regional impact (or have the potential to establish a precedent with statewide or regional impact); national legislation with impact on Colorado housing/CD

2. Demonstrate the potential to accomplish at least one of the following (*listing does not reflect order of priority*):

- a. Increase funding level(s) or improve overall state budget for affordable housing and community development
- b. Preserve and/or expand the safety net of existing housing / CD programs
- c. Increase the supply of shelter, transitional, affordable rental, homeownership or workforce housing
- d. Encourage the development and preservation of affordable housing (incentives; fee discounts; expedited permitting, etc.)
- e. Promote affordable housing in new developments and/or near transit nodes / CD (mixed-use/mixed finance, transit-oriented development, sustainability, local & regional TOD solutions, etc.)
- f. Promote sustainable communities, community & economic revitalization, and safe communities
- g. Remove barriers to the development of affordable housing (zoning/land use changes)
- h. Increase access to affordable housing (housing counseling; fair housing enforcement)
- i. Make housing costs more affordable (energy assistance, down payment assistance)
- j. Promote housing stability through services (landlord/tenant rights, foreclosure prevention, etc.) for responsible tenants and homeowners to remain in affordable housing and their homes
- k. Promote housing safety and quality in affordable housing (new technology, carbon monoxide alarms)
- l. Link needed family self-sufficiency (link housing transportation, education, employment) and support services to housing for special populations
- m. Promotes alliances with partner organizations, stakeholders and political leaders/alliances

3. Position/Levels of Legislative Support:

1. **Active Support or Opposition** – must have a direct and demonstrable impact on affordable housing
2. **Limited Support/Opposition** – secondary impact on affordable housing allowable, if position allows Colorado NAHRO (CO NAHRO) to develop critical partnership
3. **Neutral/Monitoring position** – Benefits to affordable housing appear to be marginal in terms of impacts and costs

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Date Adopted