Earmarks And Contributions Of Note:

In 2008, The Denver Post Found Connections Between Lamborn Earmark Requests And Donors. “With Congress facing increased scrutiny for its funding of pet projects, U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn pledged to severely limit how many he would request. The Colorado Springs Republican culled his list solely to those he thought supported national defense. Many of the earmarks that made Lamborn’s final cut had another quality. They went to companies that had given money to his re-election campaign. Lamborn last month asked the House Armed Services Committee to approve more than $32 million in federal contracts for companies that in the past two years have given his campaign a combined $9,547.” (Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.’S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)

- Seven Requests For Projects Tied To Specific Companies; Five Of Which Had PACs Who Contributed To Lamborn. “Lamborn made seven requests for projects tied to specific companies. Of those, five were to businesses whose political action committees had given him campaign contributions. Officials with two of the companies, Goodrich Corp. and Aeroflex Inc., said there’s no connection between their contributions and their requests for earmarks. The political action committees support lawmakers who back defense spending, both said.” (Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.’S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)

  - GOODRICH CORP.
    - Project: Ejection seat for military aircraft.
    - Amount requested: $12 million
    - Amount authorized: $6 million
    - Contribution: Company political action committee gave $3,000
    (Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.’S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)

  - AEROFLEX INC.
    - Project: Technology hardening space satellite chips to effects of outer space
    - Amount requested: $6.25 million
    - Amount authorized: $3 million
    - Contribution: Political action committee gave $2,297
    (Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.’S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)

  - 21ST CENTURY SYSTEMS INC.
    - Project: Software to gather and manage information from different databases
    - Amount requested: $4 million
    - Amount authorized: $4 million
    - Contribution: Political action committee gave $2,500
    (Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.’S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)

  - ANALYTICAL GRAPHICS INC.
    - Project: Space and Electronic Warfare Analysis Tools
    - Amount requested: $4 million
    - Amount authorized: $4 million
    - Contribution: Political Action Committee gave $500
    (Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.’S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)
• STURMAN INDUSTRIES
  ▪ Project: Technology to increase truck engine fuel efficiency
  ▪ Amount Requested: $3.5 million
  ▪ Amount authorized: request rejected
  ▪ Contribution: Company president Carol Sturman gave $1,250

(Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.'S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)

The Gazette Headline: “Lamborn Tops In Earmarks, Watchdog Says” (“Lamborn Tops In Earmarks, Watchdog Says,” The Gazette, 4/1/09)

• Lamborn Tops In CO For Earmarks; Defended Actions. “Republican Rep. Doug Lamborn led Colorado’s seven-member House delegation in the dollar amount of earmarks he introduced in the current fiscal year, a watchdog group reported Tuesday. With the release of its 19th annual ‘Pig Book,’ Citizens Against Government Waste, a Washington-based group opposed to pork-barrel spending, also made public a database listing earmarks by each federal legislator. It showed Lamborn’s earmarks for the fiscal year that began in October totalling $21.73 million, easily surpassing the $13.37 million total of Democratic Rep. John Salazar. … Lamborn, whose district includes Colorado Springs, said Tuesday that the watchdog’s group definition was too broad, and that it should not have included the seven military-related funding requests it attributed to him. ‘I don't ask for earmarks,’ he said. ‘Earmarks are done in the middle of the night.’ Lamborn said his funding requests ‘go through the entire process in the light of day. These requests start out in the authorizing committee. They are subject to amendment and debate in committee. Then they go to the floor of the House and they're once again subject to amendment and debate.’ He also said that because all his funding requests were defense-related, ‘they addressed a national issue,’ and therefore did not serve a local interest even if they were for projects in and around Colorado Springs.” (“Lamborn Tops In Earmarks, Watchdog Says,” The Gazette, 4/1/09)

• NOTE: “When he challenged Lamborn in the Republican primary last year, Jeff Crank hammered the incumbent over his earmarks, which according to the 2008 "Pig Book" totalled $17.15 million. ‘We just had this campaign that was supposedly about change,’ Crank said Tuesday, ‘and now there's more earmarks than ever before, and I think the American people have had enough.’ But Crank declined to criticize his rival, accepting the notion that the military projects embraced by Lamborn do not qualify as earmarks.” (“Lamborn Tops In Earmarks, Watchdog Says,” The Gazette, 4/1/09)

The Gazette’s 2011 Breakdown Of Lamborn Earmarks Connected To Contributions:

• “Lamborn Asked The Appropriations Committee For $67 Million For Military Projects That Went To Campaign Donors, But Those Companies Ultimately Received Only $12.32 Million In Contracts.” (John Schroyer, “Lamborn's Love-Hate Relationship With Earmarks,” The Gazette, 6/18/11)

• Earmark Requests For Military Purchases From 10 Companies Who Gave To Campaign. “For the 2009 and 2010 fiscal years, Lamborn requested earmark money for military purchases from 10 companies who have given to his campaign. - The Goodrich Corp. has given Lamborn $11,000 since 2007. Lamborn requested a $12 million contract in 2008 for the Air Force to pay for ejection seats made by Goodrich, and asked for $7 million the following year for the same purchase. Congress awarded nearly $8 million for the ejection seats in those two years. -Aeroflex has given Lamborn just over $3,000, and in 2009, he obtained an earmark for the military worth $1.6 million, to buy "radiation hardened non-volatile memory technology" from the company. -The owner of Colorado Engineering, Inc., gave Lamborn $500 after he had requested a $3 million contract for the Air Force to buy a sophisticated radar system from
them. The company received a $1.6 million contract for the 2010 fiscal year. -Analytical Graphics has donated just over $3,000 to Lamborn’s campaign, and in 2009, Lamborn helped the military get $800,000 to buy “deployable space and electronic warfare tools” that the company produces. -Sturman Industries received the same amount in 2008, after donating $1,250 to Lamborn's campaign. Northrop Grumman and Raytheon, which work together often on government contracts, have given Lamborn a total of $30,000 since 2007. Lamborn asked the -Appropriations Committee to approve language for the 2010 Defense appropriations bill that would support increased funding for one of the pair’s joint projects and continued funding for another. Other earmarks Lamborn requested and obtained went directly to government agencies, including Colorado’s three Air Force bases, Fort Carson, the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory in Golden. Just under $55 million in other earmark requests for Lamborn campaign contributors were not approved. -A company called 21st Century Systems has given Lamborn $3,500, and for the 2009 and 2010 fiscal years, Lamborn requested just over $11 million for the military to purchase software from the company. The request wasn’t approved. -Ball Aerospace has given Lamborn $4,500, and he submitted an earmark request for a $3 million contract in 2010 for the Air Force to buy an antenna array from them. The request also was not granted. -The Harris Corporation has given Lamborn $14,000 since 2007, and in 2009, he asked Congress for a $2 million contract for the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, to pay the corporation to develop a sophisticated data accessing program. Congress didn’t approve it.” (John Schroyer, “Lamborn’s Love-Hate Relationship With Earmarks,” The Gazette, 6/18/11)

- Four Companies In Colorado, Six Out Of State. “Four of the companies Lamborn requested contracts for are based in Colorado, and six are not. In-state companies that Lamborn requested earmarks for and have contributed to his campaign include Colorado Engineering, Inc., of Colorado Springs; Ball Aerospace, of Broomfield; and Sturman Industries, of Woodland Park. The other six companies Lamborn requested contracts for include the Goodrich Corp., of North Carolina; 21st Century Systems, of Nebraska; Aeroflex, of New York City; the Harris Corp., of Florida; Raytheon, of Massachusetts; and Northrop Grumman, of Los Angeles. Several of those companies have facilities and offices in Colorado Springs.” (John Schroyer, “Lamborn's Love-Hate Relationship With Earmarks,” The Gazette, 6/18/11)

Lamborn And Congressional Perks:

2007 Article: Lamborn's Office Had High Volume Of Frank Mail; Seemed By Some As A Congressional Perk. “Although sometimes criticized by outside groups as a Congressional perk — Members are allowed to use their office budget to pay for mailings, although guidelines limit the documents’ content and when items can be issued — many freshman offices contacted last week took pride in placing among the top mass-mail users for first-term Members. … A spokesman for Rep. Doug Lamborn (R-Colo.) asserted his office issued a relatively high volume of mail, more than 111,000 pieces at a postage cost of $41,691, in an effort to introduce the freshman lawmaker, who replaced longtime Rep. Joel Hefley (R). ‘We’re in a district that hasn’t seen a new Congressional Member in 20 years,’ spokesman Chris Harvin said. ‘We’re trying to get our messages out, we’re trying to get our services out,’ The Coloradoan has worked with a consulting firm to create ‘an aggressive plan to reach out to the constituents’ that includes mass mailings, as well as town hall meetings and teleconferences, and plans to use e-mail documents in the future.” (Jennifer Yachnin And John McArdle “Freshmen Making Quick Use Of Mail,” Roll Call, 7/2/07)

- “Congressman Doug Lamborn Spent More Than $40,000 In His First Three Months In Office On Mass Mailings And Constituent Letters, More Than His Predecessor, Joel Hefley, Spent During His Last Five Years On The Job.” (Ed Sealover, “Lamborn Racks Up Mailing Charges,” The Gazette, 7/13/07)
• Former Congressional Candidate Jeff Crank: “How Many Taxpayers In The Congressional District Have To Pay Their Taxes So That Doug Lamborn Can Frank Them With Their Mail Pieces?” (“Report: Lamborn Spent $41,691 On Mailings In First 3 Months,” The Associated Press, 7/13/07)

**2008 Article: Lamborn Had Highest Taxpayer Funded Mailing Tab In Colorado Delegation.** “Rep. Doug Lamborn sent $135,607 worth of taxpayer-funded mail last year, the highest total of Colorado’s congressional delegation and almost double that of the second-place spender. Lamborn’s Republican primary opponent Jeff Crank has attacked the first-term congressman’s spending.” (Anne C. Mulkern, “Lamborn’s Mail Tab: $135,607,” The Denver Post, 4/27/08)

**Lamborn Paid $40,000 In Taxpayer Money To Consultant Who Donated $2,000 To His Campaigns.** “Rep. Doug Lamborn paid $40,000 in taxpayer money for constituent services to a consultant who’s donated $2,000 to his election campaigns. Curt Cerveny, an owner of Denver-based Politically Direct, which "is in the business of winning elections," its Web site says, gave Lamborn $1,000 during the 2006 election cycle and $1,000 on Nov. 11 for his reelection campaign. Politically Direct was paid to conduct electronic town hall meetings for Lamborn starting last year and continuing through this month. House rules ban the use of taxpayer-funded congressional budgets for campaign and political expenses. Cerveny said there was no quid pro quo, although he said he’s provided the same service to other Congress members and didn’t contribute to their campaigns. He said he planned to do so soon, however. Lamborn’s communications director Kristen Haine said Lamborn conducted six or seven tele-town halls this year but didn’t know how many in 2007.” (Pam Zubeck, “Taxpayers Wind Up Paying Lamborn Donor,” The Gazette, 3/8/08)

**2008 Article: Lamborn Had Highest Cost In Colorado Delegation For Travel Paid By Outside Groups During 18th Month Span; Took Wife On Trip To Israel.** “State lawmakers’ travel...In the last 18 months, Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, and his staff had the highest cost for travel paid by outside groups. Six trips taken by Lamborn or aides totaled $32,441. The biggest chunk of Lamborn’s total cost was a $22,395 trip he and his wife, Jeannie, took to Israel last August, sponsored by the American Israel Education Foundation. It’s one of the biggest bankrollers of congressional travel, each year taking dozens of lawmakers to Israel.” (Anne C. Mulkern, “Congress Cuts Back Its Flights,” The Denver Post, 6/30/08)

**Lamborn’s 2009 Travel Showed A Number Of Trips With Family Member.**

![Schedule VII — Travel Payments and Reimbursements](http://pfds.opensecrets.org/N00028133_2009.pdf)

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State Senate/House Contributions And Voting Patterns Of Note:

**Colorado Springs Independent** Noted Lamborn Voting Patterns And Contributions To His Campaign. “In 2001, Doug Lamborn voted against Senate Bill 148, a growth-control bill opposed by real-estate and construction interests, which turned around and contributed at least $4,200 to his re-election effort last fall. Lamborn also accepted at least $2,250 from the financial-services sector, including $500 from mortgage-lending company Household International. Household has been the target of a nationwide campaign to stop so-called "predatory lending" -- the practice of charging unusually high interest rates and fees on loans marketed primarily to low-income and minority borrowers. Last year, Lamborn voted against a bill designed to curb predatory lending. Having proposed a bill in 2000 to eliminate sales taxes on telephone service, Lamborn also received $1,000 from the telecom industry.” (“The Best Politicians Money Can Buy: Special-Interest Pacs Dominate Local Campaign Contributions,” Colorado Springs Independent, 1/8/03)

“State Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, Did Not Return Calls. Last Year (2005), Lamborn Accepted $341 In Gifts From Special Interests At The Legislature, Including A Round Of Golf And Breakfast From Xcel Energy.” (“Restraining Order,” Colorado Springs Independent, 3/16/06)

- NOTE: In 2004, Lamborn Amendment Threatened Energy Measure Designed To Require Xcel Energy And Aquila Inc To Obtain More Of Their Power From Renewable Sources. “State senators battled Wednesday over an ambitious plan to require the state’s two investor-owned utilities, Xcel Energy and Aquila Inc., to obtain 15 percent of their power from renewable sources by 2020. Opponents argued that wind, solar and most other renewable energy sources are unreliable and that a proposed law would drive up consumer costs. Supporters said Colorado needs more non-polluting sources of energy. … Supporters left the chamber fearing that House Bill 1273 might be in jeopardy after Sen. Doug Lamborn, who opposes the measure, succeeded in tacking on an amendment that would allow the utilities to generate an unlimited amount of hydroelectric renewable energy. 'It eliminates the guts of the bill,’ said Susan LeFever, director of the Sierra Club’s Rocky Mountain chapter. 'The idea is to have a mix of different renewable sources. By putting on this amendment for unlimited hydroelectricity, basically that would be all there is. They would meet the standard set out in the bill, and there would be no need to create new wind, new biomass, new solar and other types of renewable energy.’” (Julia C. Martinez, “Renewable-Energy Measure Imperiled,” The Denver Post, 3/25/04)

Lamborn Received A Number Of Gifts As State Legislator:

Lamborn Received Free Fiesta Bowl Ticket From University; Did Not Attend Game; Said He Would Stop Taking Gifts That Raise Questions. “Two freshman lawmakers from Colorado Springs who accepted free tickets to the sold-out Fiesta Bowl said Thursday they will refuse future gifts if they find such perks offend their constituents. But Republican representatives- elect Doug Dean and Doug Lamborn insisted the complimentary tickets from the University of Colorado will not affect the way they vote on CU matters after they take office Jan. 9.
... Dean agreed, although he, Lamborn and Ratterree will not attend the game. Dean offered his tickets to campaign volunteers. Lamborn gave his to a fellow legislator. And Ratterree returned his to the university because he could not attend. Martin could not be reached for comment. ... Lamborn, an attorney who will represent House District 20, said elected officials have an obligation to disclose any gifts they receive in office. ‘I hope the public would not think I would be influenced by any gifts that I did decide to accept,’ he said. ‘But if there’s a serious question about that, I will stop taking gifts that would raise that kind of question.’” (Angela Dire, “Free Bowl Tickets Won’t Affect Votes On CU, Lawmakers Say,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 12/30/94)


Lamborn Received Free Trip To Israel In 2001; Claimed It As Lobbyist Gift. “How much - and what - did El Paso County legislators claim as free gifts? Rep. Doug Dean tops the list with $9,778 in free tickets and trips. Sen. Doug Lamborn is a distant second with gifts worth $1,850. ... Last week, lawmakers had to disclose the gifts they'd received from lobbyists during the past year. A look at what El Paso County legislators claimed: Sen. Doug Lamborn - $1,850: Trip to Israel...” (Kyle Henley, “Legislators Accept Lots Of Freebies/ Lobbyists Bestow Free Tickets, Trips That Can Add Up To Thousands Of Dollars,” The Gazette, 1/20/02)

- **NOTE: 5 Days After Gift Was Revealed In The Gazette, Lamborn Wrote Op-Ed Regarding Israel In The Gazette.** Lamborn: “Along with other legislators, I was recently invited to visit Israel, by the Allied Jewish Federation of Denver, without taxpayer expense. The experience was not just eye-opening, it was life-changing. We received a comprehensive and balanced overview of Israel's security, commerce, military, agriculture, social services, and politics. The biggest question I kept coming back to, though, was how close should America be to Israel?” (Doug Lamborn, Op-Ed, “Visit To Israel Shows Why We Should Be Allies,” The Gazette, 1/25/02)

- **Lamborn:** “There are many reasons why America should strongly support Israel. It is a democracy in a region with much too little freedom. Although I hope this changes soon, the sad reality is that Muslim countries make up the great majority of repressive countries in today's world. The latest annual survey by Freedom House ranks the 47 Muslim countries as including 28 dictatorships. A democratic country, such as Israel, is much more willing to cooperate with America's security and other vital interests. Another reason America should support Israel is humanitarian. As our visit to Yad Vashem, like our own Holocaust Museum, made abundantly clear, Jews have faced historical enmity that many of us can only dimly imagine. Israel, as the only Jewish nation in the world, must remain as a beacon of hope and refuge no matter what threats may arise against Jews in the future. We in America would renounce our own humanity were we ever to deny help and support to Israel. Yet another reason America should support Israel is to prove to the world America's loyalty and commitment to its friends. To abandon long-standing friends is a sign of weakness that can only lead to greater problems in the future.” (Doug Lamborn, Op-Ed, “Visit To Israel Shows Why We Should Be Allies,” The Gazette, 1/25/02)
Colorado Springs Independent Noted Lamborn’s Trips Paid For By Others; Including Taiwan Trip With Wife Paid For By Republic Of China. “Rep. Mark Cloer, for example, reported accepting two meals worth $126.40 while Rep. Keith King received more than three times the average, taking $3,767 in gifts, including a trip to Taiwan paid for by the Republic of China....The trip to Taiwan, he added, was part of a Republican leadership trade mission attended by several other lawmakers. Republican Doug Lamborn, former Senate majority caucus chairman, was among those on the trip. He brought his wife, Jeanie, according to disclosure forms. The senator also took two other trips - one to Canada sponsored by Suncor Energy, which is developing a large oil field in Canada, and another to Washington, D.C., to ‘review legislation’ courtesy of Americans for Tax Reform, an anti-tax group.” (“Perks Of The Job; State Lawmakers Accept Gifts From Lobbyists, Ardently Defend Practice,” Colorado Springs Independent, 2/17/05)

“State Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, Did Not Return Calls. Last Year, Lamborn Accepted $341 In Gifts From Special Interests At The Legislature, Including A Round Of Golf And Breakfast From Xcel Energy.” (“Restraining Order,” Colorado Springs Independent, 3/16/06)

Other Items Of Note:

2001: Lamborn Voiced Opposition To Bill Requiring At Least 50 Percent Of Total Contributions Come From Individuals And Political Parties Rather Than PACs. “An effort to return to old-fashioned campaign fundraising - from voters rather than special-interest groups - passed the Senate on Friday in a watered-down form. Senate Bill 136 by Sen. Ken Gordon, D-Denver, would require that at least 50 percent of total contributions during an election cycle come from individuals or political parties. ... Gordon said he wants candidates to raise money from 'natural human beings rather than from PACs, unions or corporations; otherwise you have split loyalties.' Several Republican lawmakers spoke against the bill, including Sen. Andy McElhany of Colorado Springs, who said a high percentage of money comes from political action committees because they're the ones who take interest in the ballot. Another Colorado Springs Republican, Sen. Doug Lamborn, said the bill would force contributors to give their money to secret 'education' funds that go unregulated, leaving less accountability.” (“Under The Dome,” The Denver Post, 2/17/01)

2005: Lamborn Opposed Limiting Cash Contributions To Politicians To Help Cover Office Expenses. "Months after blaming a campaign finance loophole for losses in some key legislative races, Republicans lined up Monday against a measure to limit the amount of money state lawmakers can raise to help cover office expenses. Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, said last fall's elections, both in Colorado and nationally, showed that clever lawyers will always find a way around laws intended to regulate how much money flows into politics." (Colleen Slevin, “Republicans Line Up Against Limits On Cash Donations,” The Associated Press, 2/14/05)

- “Lamborn Said It Would Be Better To Let Lawmakers Take In Unlimited Amounts Of Money And Let Voters Oust Any Representative They Believe Is Being Influenced By Those Donations.”
  (Colleen Slevin, “Republicans Line Up Against Limits On Cash Donations,” The Associated Press, 2/14/05)

Lamborn Said He Would Oppose Idea Of Banning Lobbyist Gifts To Congressmen. “In November, 65 percent of voters backed an amendment banning lobbyists from giving lawmakers gifts worth more than $50. Last year, Lamborn accepted $341 worth of gifts, including a round of golf and University of Colorado football tickets. Asked what he’d think of a House vote on a measure like Colorado’s, he says a ban ‘might go too far.’ ‘I would prefer full disclosure that would allow for a reasonable gift,’ he says, specifically voicing support for allowing private interests to pay for a representative’s travel expenses to conferences that discuss policy.” (Michael De Yoanna, “Rarin’ To Go,” Colorado Springs Independent, 12/7/06)
Potential Video: Lamborn Dodged ABC News Cameras At Lobbyist Event. “BRIAN ROSS (ABC NEWS) (Voiceover) Some lobbying groups were even using Capitol Hill itself as if it were a catering hall. The beer wholesalers were given the cafeteria of the Rayburn Office Building for free, because their party, with 50 different kinds of beer, was supposedly considered an educational event, even though they called it a party. GUEST (MALE) And they're at a party that, that's perfectly ethical and legal. BRIAN ROSS (ABC NEWS) (Voiceover) It was not something one guest, Republican Congressman Doug Lamborn of Colorado, wanted to talk about. BRIAN ROSS (ABC NEWS) (Off-camera) Is it appropriate do you think for the beer wholesalers to be able to use Capitol Hill kind of as a catering hall? GUEST (FEMALE) We need to go. REPRESENTATIVE DOUG LAMBORN (REPUBLICAN) We need to go. We'll talk to you later.” (ABC’s “World News,” 12/12/07)

LACK OF LEADERSHIP

NOTE: Lamborn Was Critical Of Opponents’ Results During 1992 State Rep. Run: “There hasn't been much in the way of results... I feel I can be a more effective legislator. I would do my best to listen to people and get support for measures important to the district. We'd get more results.” (Jeff Thomas, “Republican Lamborn Says He'll Challenge Duke,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 5/2/92)

Lack Of Congressional Accomplishment:

Lamborn Has Not Passed A Bill Into Law While In Congress:


- **21 Lead Sponsored Resolutions; 5 Passed The House.** (Library Of Congress’ THOMAS Website, http://thomas.loc.gov/home/LegislativeData.php, Accessed 3/8/12)

- **9 Lead Sponsored Amendments; 1 Agreed To By House.** (Library Of Congress’ THOMAS Website, http://thomas.loc.gov/home/LegislativeData.php, Accessed 3/8/12)

Of NOTE: Lamborn On Passing Legislation: “It’s going to be hard to pass any major legislation. In fact, any freshman is not going to be able to do that,” he said shortly before his swearing-in, reflecting on being part of a small GOP freshman class given less hope of success than any in recent memory.” (Ed Sealovery, “Lamborn Faces Long Odds To Be Heard,” The Gazette, 1/7/07)

Media Noted Lamborn’s Difficulty, At Times, Passing Legislation Early In His State House/Senate Career:

1995: Lamborn Was Listed As “One Hit Wonder” For Lack Of Passing Legislation In 1995. “Why aren't there legislature fans the way there are basketball fans or baseball fans? If sports fans will sit still for a soccer match, for pete's sake, they ought to find a session of the Colorado Senate absolutely stirring by comparison. But there's one thing missing from the legislature: statistics. True fans need numbers, percentages and standings to show off their knowledge of the game. The most easily quantifiable way to judge a legislator’s performance is to look at each member's success in passing bills. It's like a batting average. So here's the annual post-session Stats Weenie's Guide to the Colorado Legislature. … One-Hit Wonders: Republicans Andy McElhany, Colorado Springs, and Mark Paschall, Arvada, at .250 each; Marcy Morrison, Manitou Springs, .200; Doug Lamborn of Colorado Springs
and Eric Prinzler or Thornton, .167 each; and at .143 (1 for 7) Ken Chlouber, Leadville, and Phil Pankey, Littleton.”

(Fred Brown, “Legislators' Batting Stats: The House,” The Denver Post, 5/17/95)


- Lamborn Criticized The List. “Rep. Doug Lamborn, for instance, pointed out that the best-and-worst list that ran May 18 showed that the only bill he introduced did not pass. Unfair, he said. He actually carried six bills, but he had to abandon five House bills when he was named to fill a Senate vacancy. So he was actually three of six, he said, for 50 percent, which is in the middle ground occupied by most legislators.” (Fred Brown, “Candidates' Bill Records Compared,” The Denver Post, 5/27/98)


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Lamborn And Associates' History Of Attack Politics:

1998 Campaign: Lamborn Opponent Received “Hate Mail” Being Circulated By Lamborn Supporters Regarding Taking His Wife Off Life Support. “Nasty allegations are swirling around Sen. Doug Lamborn and his opponent, Tom Ratterree, in campaign fliers and tape-recorded conversations involving supporters of the candidates. Ratterree has received copies of hate mail being circulated against him by Lamborn supporters. The letters surfaced a couple of weeks ago and became public at the Republican Party's El Paso County Assembly on May 2. One of the letters suggests that Ratterree, who opposes euthanasia, violated his own moral code by taking his wife off life support. Ratterree's wife, Mary, died in 1991 after a lengthy battle with cancer. At her request, she was given fluids and a feeding tube but was not connected to life support machinery. Ratterree was with his wife at the hospital when she died.” (Scott Thomsen, “Supporters Of GOP Senate Rivals Sling Mud,” The Gazette, 5/10/98)

2006 Campaign: Crank Accused Lamborn Of Negative Campaigning; Lamborn Said It Was From Supporters He Couldn't Control. “Republican congressional candidate Jeff Crank on Friday accused party rival Doug Lamborn of negative campaigning, including targeting Crank's kids in attacking him. Lamborn's campaign manager said none of the alleged attacks are from the campaign but from supporters it doesn't control. Crank's backers have gone negative, too, he said.” (Ed Sealover, “Crank Says Opponent Is Attacking Him Lamborn Camp Says Supporters, Not Campaign, To Blame,” The Gazette, 4/1/06)

- Lamborn’s Wife Called Local GOP Matron; Questioned Whether A Man With Two Yong Sons At Home Should Run For Congress. “The incident that most bothered Crank was a phone call from Lamborn's wife, Jean, to Mary Harold, a Crank supporter considered a matron of the local GOP. Jean Lamborn asked Harold if she knew Crank had two young sons at home and questioned whether someone with young children should run for Congress, Harold said. Lamborn campaign manager Jon Hotaling labeled the call a private talk and noted Harold had expressed feelings about people with young kids
• **Crank Complained Over E-Mails Targeting Work As Lobbyist.** “Crank also complained about e-mails targeting past decisions and his work as a lobbyist. Hotaling said none of the e-mails and phone calls cited are from campaign workers. He noted Lamborn’s phone campaigning script doesn’t mention Crank. ‘We don’t have control over what people do out there,’ Hotaling said. “We can tell them what our preferences are, but that doesn’t mean they go out and do it.’” (Ed Sealover, “Crank Says Opponent Is Attacking Him Lamborn Camp Says Supporters, Not Campaign, To Blame,” The Gazette, 4/1/06)


• “Fawcett’s Campaigners Clearly Placed The Blame For The Prank On Operatives For Fawcett’s Opponent. ‘We Had Some [Doug Lamborn] Skunks Visit Us Last Night,’ Read An Apologetic Note Outside The Headquarters. It Included A Photo Of Lamborn And Cartoon Skunk.” (Michael DeYoanna, “Fawcett Skunked,” Colorado Springs Independent, 11/9/06)

**Lamborn’s Threats To Constituents:**

**Colorado Couple Said They Received Threatening Calls From Lamborn.** “A local couple is complaining that U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn left them two threatening voice mails after they wrote a letter criticizing his fundraising. Jonathan Bartha and Anna Bartha told The Denver Post that Lamborn said there would be ‘consequences’ if they did not withdraw their letter. ‘We felt very threatened and intimidated, and quite frankly, scared,’ Anna Bartha said. ‘It was just not anything we would ever anticipate an elected official would pursue or a way that an elected official would conduct himself.’ Lamborn, in a call to The Associated Press on Sunday, said there was never any intention to threaten anyone and that he had never accepted money from the gambling industry as alleged by the Barthas. He said he would make his banking records available and that his spending reports show he never took the money offered by the industry, …. The Post reported that when asked whether his messages were threatening, Lamborn said: ‘No, that is ridiculous. My hope, I failed, but I had hoped to meet with them privately and confidentially because lying is a serious matter.’ Asked what he meant by consequences, Lamborn said: ‘When someone tells a lie, it just has bad consequences.’ … The Bartha's letter criticized Lamborn for allegedly accepting $1,500 in campaign contributions from the gambling industry. Federal records confirm the donations were accepted, but Lamborn said he returned them. He did not say when and The Post said there is no federal record of them being returned. Lamborn's voice mails urged the couple as 'brothers and sisters in Christ' and implored them to call him back to discuss their 'blatantly false' letter. Jonathan Bartha is employed by Focus on the Family. His wife, a board member of Falcon School District 49, worked for two months as a scheduler for candidate Jeff Crank during a bitter, six-way Republican primary race for the 5th Congressional District seat. Lamborn has written an open letter to the chairman of the GOP in El Paso County, Greg Garcia, asking him to investigate the letter.” (“Colo Springs Couple Says Got Threatening Call From Congressman,” The Associated Press, 9/2/07)

• **Lamborn Later Apologized.** “Rep. Doug Lamborn (R-Colo.) is apologizing to a couple in his district who complained that he left them two threatening voice mails after they wrote a critical letter to the editor about the freshman member. In a letter sent Tuesday, Lamborn said he has been working diligently on issues of national importance affecting Colorado’s 5th district, including the war in Iraq, the safety and
security of our troops, the war on terrorism, immigration and a bloated federal budget. ‘Therefore, when my record is not accurately portrayed, I am quick and passionate in attempting to set the record straight,’ he wrote. ‘Unfortunately, recent events have risen to a level that was unintended.’” (Susan Crabtree, “Rep. Lamborn Apologizes,” The Hill, 9/5/07)

• **NOTE: Records Show Gaming Check Was Sent In January, Not Returned Until A Few Weeks Ago; Lamborn Blamed Wife.** “International Gaming Technology, a Nevada-based slot machine maker, confirmed Wednesday that Lamborn returned the check. Chuck Brooke, the company's senior vice president for government affairs, said the check -- sent in January -- hadn't been returned by the time the company's political action committee filed its midyear FEC report in June. The check was sent to Lamborn unsolicited, after his name was provided by a senior GOP lawmaker raising money for freshman Republicans, Brooke said. He could not say exactly when the check was returned but said it was ‘several weeks’ ago. Lamborn said the delay in returning the check was because his wife is running the finances for his campaign committee, and she was frequently out of the state to be with her ill mother.” (R. Scott Rappold, “Lamborn Says He Didn't Mean To Threaten,” The Gazette, 9/6/07)

### Lamborn Extremely Defensive Regarding Son's Arson Case:

**Lamborn: “I'm Sick And Tired Of The Whole Mess…”** “State Rep. Doug Lamborn yesterday was ordered to pay a $3,500 fine for an arson fire set by his teenage son three years ago, but the settlement fell far short of the victim's hopes. Lamborn, a Republican from Colorado Springs, had avoided making the court-ordered payment since last July, even though he supported a law last year that raised the amount that judges could demand from parents of delinquents. ‘I'm sick and tired of the whole mess, and I'm actually glad to get some closure today, so we can all get on with our lives,’ he said.” (Steve Lipsher, “Lawmaker Lamborn Ordered To Pay Fine For Teen Son's Arson,” The Denver Post, 3/20/96)

• **NOTE: Lamborn Hypocrisy In Son's Arson Case Noted.** “Last year, state Rep. Doug Lamborn voted for a law raising the financial liability of parents of juvenile delinquents. ‘I felt that parents ought to be responsible for their children,’ he said. ‘I still feel that way.’ But when it comes to his own family, Lamborn has declined to pay a cent on his teenage son's 3-year-old arson transgressions, despite a Colorado Springs court order that he cough up $3,500 in restitution to the victim. ‘This thing has been hanging since April of 1993,’ said John Barney, whose construction trailer was torched then by the younger Lamborn and another youth. ‘I lost everything. It literally destroyed me, and he hasn't helped me out one bit.’ Lamborn, a Colorado Springs Republican, said he has yet to pay any restitution because of his questions over the amount due and his own liability in the case. Tomorrow, he is scheduled to appear in court to answer a motion by Barney for immediate payment of the restitution, as well as a claim that the amount be doubled because Barney contends that two separate offenses occurred. ‘In both the new and the old law, it says parents may be absolved if they don’t encourage or condone the behavior,’ Lamborn said. ‘We haven’t yet raised that issue. I plan to raise that at this hearing.’” (Steve Lipsher, “Lawmaker Called Hypocrite In Arson Victim Hopes Court Speeds Payment,” The Denver Post, 3/18/96)

### Other Temperament/Judgment Issues Of Note:

“U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn Met With Black Community Leaders In Fountain On Friday And Apologized For Calling The President A ‘Tar Baby’ In A Radio Interview.” (Allison Sherry, “Lamborn Apologizes To Black Leaders For ‘Tar Baby’ Comment,” The Denver Post, 8/20/11)

Local Leaders In Fight With Lamborn Over Shale. “Western Slope mayors and community leaders are fighting mad at Rep. Doug Lamborn. The Colorado Springs Republican is pushing to open up land to oil shale development in their communities without taking into account local impacts, they say. In addition, Lamborn’s Pioneers Act -- which mandates 125,000 acres of public land for oil shale development and exploration -- gives local communities and the state lower royalty rates than traditional oil and gas leases. ‘It’s not a good deal for us,’ said Rifle Mayor Jay Miller, a Republican. ‘We’re not against oil shale or gas development here, we just want it done in a way that doesn’t drive us into the ground.’ Mayors and county commissioners say they’re concerned about many parts of Lamborn’s proposal, including the fact the promise of oil shale is merely speculative and it has no viable commercial market yet. Lamborn’s measure passed out of a House committee this week.” (Allison Sherry, “W. Slope Leaders Slam Lamborn On Shale Issues,” The Denver Post, 2/3/12)

Western Slope Leaders Worried About Water Rights And Keeping Up On Roads, Etc. “But Western Slope leaders are worried that, if oil shale ever does start to make money, tiny towns like Rifle will not be able to keep up on road and water-treatment plants’ wear and tear. They’re also worried about water rights: If oil shale becomes viable, the need for water in the desert could pit energy companies against residents and agriculture.” (Allison Sherry, “W. Slope Leaders Slam Lamborn On Shale Issues,” The Denver Post, 2/3/12)

Lamborn Accused Mayors And Community Leaders Of Not Telling The Truth About Contacting Him. “Lamborn said he didn’t know the Western Slope mayors and community leaders were trying to contact him. He said he didn’t receive their December letter or a message from any staffer after they tried to get a meeting with him when they visited Washington last fall. ‘Someone is not telling the truth and it isn’t me,’ he said, from his D.C. office Thursday. ‘I’ll meet with them at anytime. That’s not the issue. Now that I know about it, I’ll meet with them tonight.’” (Allison Sherry, “W. Slope Leaders Slam Lamborn On Shale Issues,” The Denver Post, 2/3/12)

Temperament Issues On Audio/Video:

VIDEO/Audio: Lamborn Calling Constituent Re: Letter To Editor In 2008: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BORj8VULAWU

VIDEO: Full Video Of Lamborn Telling Audience To “Keep Mouth Shut”: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M3gEgD0seUo (YouTube Video, http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M3gEgD0seUo, 25:05-25:55, 10/5/06)

VIDEO: Video From Debate Of Lamborn Getting Upset When Interrupted: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M3gEgD0seUo (YouTube Video, http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M3gEgD0seUo, 44:45-45:00, 10/5/06)


Reporter: “About a week and a half ago, Lamborn lost his cool a bit and told an audience member to ‘shut-up.’” (5:05-5:30)
**Potential VIDEO:** Fox News Ran Segment On Race; Highlight Hefley “Sleazy” Remarks; Lamborn Blamed 527s. *MCKINLEY:* Republican candidate Doug Lamborn appeared at a rally hosted by a syndicated talk show host Hugh Hewitt. Lamborn brushed off news of recent polls reporting the race is a tossup. LAMBORN: I someone says it's a tie I think it's wishful thinking on their part. MCKINLEY: Lamborn won a bitter primary, accused of running a sleazy campaign by retiring Congressman Joel Hefley who held this seat for 20 years. Hefley isn’t endorsing anyone, especially Lamborn. REP. JOEL HEFLEY (R), COLORADO: I still think that he ran, in my opinion, such a negative kind of an attacking campaign that I think whether he wins or loses will be based more on that. MCKINLEY: Lamborn blames so-called "527 organizations," special interest groups for putting a negative spin on the primary. LAMBORN: And a candidate like me can't coordinate with them or it's against the law and I haven't done that and I wouldn't want to do that. MCKINLEY (on camera): Lamborn stresses he has enough GOP endorsements on his side and in a district where Republicans outnumber Democrats two to one, political observers believe he can withstand the loss of Hefley's support. (voice-over): But that hasn't stopped the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee from declaring this an emerging race believing they're in prime position to win, and possibly for the first time in history, changing this district from red to blue.” (Fox News’ “Special Report With Brit Hume,” 10/26/06)

**Other Instances Of Note:**

**Lamborn “Outraged” When Measure Died In Committee.** “Two Republicans helped defeat a bill forbidding schools from asking students personal questions about sex or their family life, and the Wednesday vote left its Colorado Springs sponsor livid. ‘I’m outraged,’ said Republican Rep. Doug Lamborn after the vote of the House Education Committee. Two Republicans, Paul Schauer of Littleton and Dorothy Gotleib of Denver, joined four Democrats in voting to kill the bill, which died on a 6-5 vote. ‘They don't care about the rights of parents, apparently,’ Lamborn said.” (“Springs Sponsor Upset After Committee Kills Bill,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 1/30/97)

## LAMBORN TIMELINE

### Lamborn Items Of Note:


**1982:** Lamborn ran unsuccessfully for a seat in the Kansas legislature. (CQ Politics In America Profile, [http://www.cq.com/doc/member-25491](http://www.cq.com/doc/member-25491), Accessed 2/25/12)


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**LAMBORN CONGRESSIONAL SERVICE**

**LAMBORN LEGISLATIVE SUCCESS ANALYSIS**

**Legislative Success Summary:**

**Overall Record:**

- **37 Lead Sponsored Bills:** 0 Become Law. (Library Of Congress’ THOMAS Website, http://thomas.loc.gov/home/LegislativeData.php, Accessed 3/8/12)


- **21 Lead Sponsored Resolutions; 5 Passed The House.** (Library Of Congress’ THOMAS Website, http://thomas.loc.gov/home/LegislativeData.php, Accessed 3/8/12)

- **9 Lead Sponsored Amendments; 1 Agreed To By House.** (Library Of Congress’ THOMAS Website, http://thomas.loc.gov/home/LegislativeData.php, Accessed 3/8/12)

**110th Summary:**


- **7 Sponsored Amendments; 1 Agreed To By House.** (Library Of Congress’ THOMAS Website, http://thomas.loc.gov/home/LegislativeData.php, Accessed 3/8/12)

**111th Summary:**

- **13 Sponsored Bills; 2 Passed House; 0 Became Law.** (Library Of Congress’ THOMAS Website, http://thomas.loc.gov/home/LegislativeData.php, Accessed 3/8/12)


**112th Summary:**
NOTE: As Of March 8, 2012.

- 10 Sponsored Bills; 2 Passed House (Note: 1 Of Which Was Reconsidered); 0 Have Become Law. (Library Of Congress’ THOMAS Website, http://thomas.loc.gov/home/LegislativeData.php, Accessed 3/8/12)


Lamborn Sponsored Legislation: 110th Session:

- 14 Sponsored Bills; 2 Passed House; 0 Became Law. (Library Of Congress’ THOMAS Website, http://thomas.loc.gov/cgi-bin/thomas, Accessed 3/6/12)

1. [110th] H.R.295 : To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to establish a national cemetery for veterans in the Pikes Peak region of Colorado.
   Committees: House Veterans’ Affairs; House Ways and Means

2. [110th] H.R.1863 : To direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to conduct at two-year pilot program to use a mobile processing unit to perform certain services of the Department of Veterans Affairs.
   Committees: House Veterans’ Affairs

3. [110th] H.R.1864 : To amend title 38, United States Code, to direct the Secretary of Veterans Affairs to provide for the automated processing of veterans disability compensation claims.
   Committees: House Veterans’ Affairs

4. [110th] H.R.2277 : To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a feasibility study relating to long-term water needs for the area served by the Fryingpan-Arkansas Project, Colorado, and for other purposes.
   Committees: House Natural Resources

   Committees: House Veterans’ Affairs
6. [110th] H.R.2697 : To amend title 38, United States Code, to expand eligibility for veterans' mortgage life insurance to include members of the Armed Forces receiving specially adapted housing assistance from the Department of Veterans Affairs.
   Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

   Committees: House Veterans' Affairs

   Committees: House Homeland Security; House Judiciary; House Ways and Means

9. [110th] H.R.3335 : South Park National Heritage Area Act
   Committees: House Natural Resources

10. [110th] H.R.3336 : Camp Hale Study Act
    Committees: House Natural Resources; Senate Energy and Natural Resources
    House Reports: 110-798
    Latest Major Action: 10/2/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

    Committees: House Natural Resources; Senate Energy and Natural Resources
    House Reports: 110-715
    Latest Major Action: 6/20/2008 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

12. [110th] H.R.6453 : Schoolchildren’s Health Protection Act
    Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 7/10/2008)   Cosponsors (60)
    Committees: House Education and Labor
    Latest Major Action: 7/10/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.
13. [110th] H.R.6917 : To amend the Wilderness Act to allow recreation organizations to cross wilderness areas on established trails, and for other purposes. 
Committees: House Natural Resources

14. [110th] H.R.7298 : To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the deduction for expensing certain depreciable business assets and to allow a deduction for the original purchase of domestically manufactured automobiles. 
Committees: House Ways and Means
Latest Major Action: 11/20/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.


Committees: House Foreign Affairs
Latest Major Action: 9/25/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

2. [110th] H.CON.RES.437 : Recognizing and congratulating the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado, as the new official site of the National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Service and the "Tree of Life" National EMS Memorial honoring emergency medical services personnel who have died in the line of duty. 
Committees: House Energy and Commerce

3. [110th] H.RES.392 : Urging Americans and people of all nationalities to visit the American Cemeteries, Memorials and Markers. 
Committees: House Veterans’ Affairs
Latest Major Action: 5/23/2007 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote. 
Latest Action: 5/23/2007 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Committees: House Foreign Affairs
Latest Action: 6/11/2007 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.
Cosponsors (51)  
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform  
Latest Major Action: 4/14/2008 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution, as amended Agreed to by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 380 - 0 (Roll no. 183).  
Latest Action: 4/14/2008 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

Cosponsors (25)  
Committees: House Armed Services  

7. [110th] H.RES.1027 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to strike rule XXVIII, popularly known as the “Gephardt rule”, and to require recorded votes on measures that increase the statutory limit on the public debt.  
Cosponsors (17)  
Committees: House Rules  
Latest Major Action: 3/6/2008 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

Cosponsors (15)  
Committees: House Armed Services; House Foreign Affairs  
Latest Major Action: 4/10/2008 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Strategic Forces.

Cosponsors (4)  
Committees: House Science and Technology  
Latest Major Action: 7/9/2008 Passed/agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and agree to the resolution Agreed to by voice vote.  
Latest Action: 7/9/2008 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.


1. [110th] H.AMDT.256 To H.R.2638 Amendment reduces funding for the Office of the Secretary and Executive Management by $300,000.  
Cosponsors (None)  

2. [110th] H.AMDT.322 To H.R.2641 Amendment sought to reduce funding of the Bureau of Reclamation Policy and Administration account by $1,236,000.  
Cosponsors (None)

3. [110th] H.AMDT.391 To H.R.2764 An amendment to prohibit use of funds for availability to or through any individual, private or government entity, or educational institution that does not expressly recognize the right of the State of Israel to exist.
Latest Major Action: 6/21/2007 By unanimous consent, the Lamborn amendment was withdrawn.

4. [110th] H.AMDT.403 To H.R.2643 An amendment to increase funds for the Department-Wide Programs (Indian Affairs) by $160,000,000. And, to reduce funds for the National Endowment for the Arts by $60,000,000.
Latest Major Action: 6/26/2007 By unanimous consent, the Lamborn amendment was withdrawn.

5. [110th] H.AMDT.404 To H.R.2643 An amendment to increase funds for the Department-Wide Programs (Indian Affairs) by $52,000,000. And, to reduce funds for the National Endowment for the Arts by $160,000,000.
Latest Major Action: 6/26/2007 Mr. Dicks raised a point of order against the Lamborn amendment (A010). The Chair sustained the point of order.


7. [110th] H.AMDT.549 To H.R.3043 Amendment sought to eliminate funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting.

Lamborn Sponsored Legislation: 111th Congress:


1. [111th] H.R.794 : To prohibit the use of funds to transfer enemy combatants detained by the United States at Naval Station, Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, to the Florence Federal Correctional Complex in Colorado, or to construct facilities for such enemy combatants at such location.
Committees: House Armed Services; House Judiciary

2. [111th] H.R.2330 : Camp Hale Study Act
Committees: House Natural Resources; Senate Energy and Natural Resources
Senate Reports: 111-154
3. [111th] H.R.2458 : Schoolchildren’s Health Protection Act  
Cosponsors (46)  
Committees: House Education and Labor  

Cosponsors (5)  
Committees: House Natural Resources  

5. [111th] H.R.2809 : To amend the Wilderness Act to allow recreation organizations consisting of hikers or horseback riders to cross wilderness areas on established trails, and for other purposes.  
Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Natural Resources  

6. [111th] H.R.3123 : To direct the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to remedy problems caused by a collapsed drainage tunnel in Leadville, Colorado, and for other purposes.  
Cosponsors (None)  
Committees: House Natural Resources; Senate Energy and Natural Resources  
Latest Major Action: 10/13/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 7/14/2009)  
Cosponsors (3)  
Committees: House Natural Resources  

8. [111th] H.R.3203 : Cleanup of Inactive and Abandoned Mines Act  
Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 7/14/2009)  
Cosponsors (4)  
Committees: House Energy and Commerce; House Transportation and Infrastructure; House Natural Resources  

9. [111th] H.R.4716 : To prohibit the further extension or establishment of national monuments in Colorado, except by express authorization of Congress.  
Cosponsors (1)  
Committees: House Natural Resources  
10. [111th] H.R.5538 : To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit Federal funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting after fiscal year 2012.
   Committees: House Energy and Commerce

11. [111th] H.R.6349 : To amend title 10, United States Code, to provide for greater transparency in the conversion of Department of Defense functions previously performed by contractors to performance by Department of Defense employees, and for other purposes.
   Committees: House Armed Services

12. [111th] H.R.6417 : To prohibit Federal funding of certain public radio programming, to provide for the transfer of certain public radio funds to reduce the public debt, and for other purposes.
   Committees: House Energy and Commerce

   Committees: House Intelligence (Permanent Select)
   Latest Major Action: 12/1/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select).


1. [111th] H.CON.RES.139 : Congratulating the first graduating class of the United States Air Force Academy on their 50th graduation anniversary and recognizing their contributions to the Nation.
   Committees: House Armed Services; Senate Armed Services
   Latest Major Action: 11/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and referred to the Committee on Armed Services.

2. [111th] H.CON.RES.161 : Recognizing and congratulating the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado, as the new official site of the National Emergency Medical Services Memorial Service and the National EMS Memorial honoring emergency medical services personnel who have died in the line of duty.
   Committees: House Energy and Commerce

Committees: House Foreign Affairs
Latest Major Action: 4/21/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

4. [111th] H.RES.272 : Amending the Rules of the House of Representatives to strike rule XXVIII, popularly known as the "Gephardt rule", and to provide that any measure that increases the statutory limit on the public debt shall be stand alone and require a recorded vote.
Committees: House Rules
Latest Major Action: 3/19/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

5. [111th] H.RES.852 : Recognizing and commending Biblica for contributions made to the United States, and for other purposes.
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 10/21/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

6. [111th] H.RES.945 : Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives regarding the conditions for the United States becoming a signatory to or negotiating any international agreement on greenhouse gas emissions under the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change.
Committees: House Foreign Affairs
Latest Major Action: 12/3/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Committees: House Foreign Affairs
Latest Major Action: 3/18/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Foreign Affairs.

Committees: House Armed Services

Lamborn Sponsored Legislation: 112th Congress:

NOTE: As Of March 8, 2012

- 10 Sponsored Bills; 2 Of Which Passed House (Note: 1 Of Which Was Reconsidered); 0 Have Become Law. (Library Of Congress’ THOMAS Website, http://thomas.loc.gov/home/LegislativeData.php, Accessed 3/8/12)

1. [112nd] H.R.68 : To amend the Communications Act of 1934 to prohibit Federal funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting after fiscal year 2013.
Committees: House Energy and Commerce
Latest Major Action: 2/1/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.

2. [112nd] H.R.69 : To prohibit Federal funding of certain public radio programming, to provide for the transfer of certain public radio funds to reduce the public debt, and for other purposes.
   Committees: House Energy and Commerce
   Latest Major Action: 2/1/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology.

   Committees: House Energy and Commerce; Senate Commerce, Science, and Transportation
   Latest Major Action: 3/17/2011 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

   Committees: House Natural Resources
   House Reports: 112-248
   Latest Major Action: 10/14/2011 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 164.

5. [112nd] H.R.2348 : EMP Weapons Accountability Assessment Act
   Committees: House Intelligence (Permanent Select)
   Latest Major Action: 6/24/2011 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Intelligence (Permanent Select).

6. [112nd] H.R.3408 : PIONEERS Act
   Committees: House Natural Resources
   House Reports: 112-392
   Latest Action: 2/16/2012 Motion to reconsider laid on the table Agreed to without objection.

   Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 1/18/2012) Cosponsors (18)
   Committees: House Rules; House Budget
   Latest Major Action: 1/18/2012 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

8. [112nd] H.R.4046 : Schoolchildren's Health Protection Act
   Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 2/15/2012) Cosponsors (33)
   Committees: House Education and the Workforce
Latest Major Action: 2/15/2012 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Education and the Workforce.

9. [112nd] H.R.4073 : To authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to accept the quitclaim, disclaimer, and relinquishment of a railroad right of way within and adjacent to Pike National Forest in El Paso County, Colorado, originally granted to the Mt. Manitou Park and Incline Railway Company pursuant to the Act of March 3, 1875. 
Sponsor: Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 2/17/2012) Cosponsors (None)
Committees: House Natural Resources

10. [112nd] H.R.4107 : World War I American Veterans Centennial Commemorative Coin Act 
Committees: House Financial Services
Latest Major Action: 2/29/2012 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Financial Services.


1. [112nd] H.RES.67 : To amend the Rules of the House of Representatives to prohibit bills and joint resolutions from containing more than one subject.
Committees: House Rules
Latest Major Action: 1/26/2011 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Rules.

Committees: House Foreign Affairs

3. [112nd] H.RES.296 : Expressing support for peaceful demonstrations and universal freedoms in Syria and condemning the human rights violations by the Assad Regime.
Committees: House Foreign Affairs
Latest Major Action: 8/2/2011 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Middle East and South Asia.

4. [112nd] H.RES.489 : Expressing the sense of the House of Representatives that the symbols and traditions of Christmas should be protected for use by those who celebrate Christmas.
Committees: House Oversight and Government Reform
Latest Major Action: 12/7/2011 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

1. [112nd] H.AMDT.598 To H.R.2354 Amendment sought to prevent the Secretary of Energy from reallocating funds remaining from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act from one State to another.

2. [112nd] H.AMDT.733 To H.R.2584 Amendment sought to zero out all land acquisition programs within the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies bill and to apply the savings to the spending reduction account.

CQ KEY VOTES AND INTEREST GROUP RATINGS

CQ Key Votes:

2011
Request a bicameral conference on payroll tax cut package (House vote 946) Y
Amend the Constitution to require a balanced budget (House vote 858) Y
Ban the use of federal funds for insurance coverage of abortion services (House vote 789) Y
Allow consideration of measures to implement three trade agreements and to extend U.S. worker aid (House vote 771) Y
Pass compromise debt limit increase plan and establish future spending limits (House vote 690) N
Extend Federal Aviation Administration authorization and eliminate subsidies for certain small airports (House vote 611) Y
Overhaul patent law (House vote 491) N
Require presidential report on combat operations in Libya and declare opposition to use of ground troops (House vote 411) Y
Extend certain provisions of Patriot Act for four years (House vote 376) Y
Require foreign terrorist suspects to be tried only by military commissions (House vote 357) Y
Adopt GOP budget with planned spending cuts and changes to entitlement programs (House vote 277) Y
Prevent EPA from regulating greenhouse gas emissions to address climate change (House vote 249) Y
Strike funding for F-35 Joint Strike Fighter alternative engine (House vote 46) N
Repeal the 2010 health care overhaul law (House vote 14) Y

2010
Extend Bush-era income tax cuts for two years (House vote 647) N
Provide a path to legal status for some children of illegal immigrants (House vote 625) N
Reauthorize NASA programs through fiscal 2013 (House vote 561) Y
Authorize intelligence programs for fiscal 2010 (House vote 558) N
Allow for duties on imports deemed unfairly subsidized by Chinese currency policy (House vote 554) N
Provide funding to avert teacher layoffs and extend increased Medicaid payments for states (House vote 518) N
Change oversight of offshore drilling and lift oil spill liability cap (House vote 513) N
Provide $58.8 billion in emergency spending, including war and disaster relief funds (House vote 474) Y
Limit use of new Afghanistan War funds to troop withdrawal activities (House vote 432) N
Overhaul financial services industry regulation (House vote 413) N
Broader campaign finance disclosure and reporting rules (House vote 391) N
Bar funds to transfer or release detainees held at Guantanamo Bay to the United States (House vote 335) Y
Allow for repeal of "don't ask, don't tell" law banning openly gay servicemembers (House vote 317) N
Strike authorization for the F-35 Joint Strike Fighter alternative engine (House vote 316) N
Clear overhaul of the nation's health insurance system and require most individuals to buy health insurance (House vote 165) N

2009
Overhaul the nation's health insurance system and require most individuals to buy health insurance (House vote 887) N
Restrict federally funded insurance coverage for abortions in health care overhaul (House vote 884) Y
Establish the government as the sole provider of student loans (House vote 719) N
Provide $2 billion for the "cash for clunkers" vehicle trade-in program (House vote 682) N
Overhaul food safety laws (House vote 680) N
Create a cap-and-trade system to limit greenhouse gas emissions (House vote 477) N
Limit the number of amendments to the Commerce-Justice-Science appropriations bill (House vote 352) N
Allow the Food and Drug Administration to regulate tobacco products (House vote 335) N
Allow bankruptcy judges to modify certain primary-residence mortgages (House vote 104) N
Provide $787 billion in tax cuts and spending increases to stimulate the economy (House vote 70) N
Expand the Children’s Health Insurance Program (House vote 50) N

2008
Provide up to $14 billion in loans to domestic automakers (House vote 690) N
Approve final $700 billion program to stabilize financial markets (House vote 681) N
Approve initial $700 billion program to stabilize financial markets (House vote 674) N
Require insurers to treat mental illness the same as other medical conditions (House vote 625) N
Authorize the Food and Drug Administration to regulate tobacco products (House vote 542) N
Expand funding for global AIDS programs (House vote 531) N
Grant mortgage relief to homeowners and provide financing to Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac (House vote 519) N
Block a scheduled cut in Medicare payments to doctors (House vote 443) N
Overhaul surveillance laws and permit dismissal of suits against companies that conducted warrantless wiretapping (House vote 437) Y
Authorize $14.4 billion for Amtrak over five years (House vote 400) N
Override Bush veto of federal farm and nutrition programs reauthorization bill (House vote 346) N
Establish timetable of withdrawing most troops from Iraq (House vote 329) N
Delay consideration of Colombia free-trade agreement (House vote 181) N
Provide tax refunds as economic stimulus (House vote 42) Y

2007
Clear $473.5 billion omnibus spending bill, including $70 billion for military operations in Iraq and Afghanistan (House vote 1186) Y
Exempt additional taxpayers from the alternative minimum tax in 2007 (House vote 1183) Y
Approve energy policy overhaul with new fuel economy standards and emphasis on conservation (House vote 1177) N
Override Bush veto of $150.7 billion labor, health and education spending bill (House vote 1122) N
Tighten oversight of mortgage lending industry (House vote 1118) N
Implement Peru free-trade agreement with labor and environmental protection standards (House vote 1060) Y
Prohibit job discrimination based on sexual orientation (House vote 1057)  N
Override Bush veto of $23.2 billion water projects authorization bill (House vote 1040)  N
Override Bush veto of bill to expand State Children’s Health Insurance Program (House vote 982)  N
Expand warrantless wiretapping program for six months (House vote 836)  Y
Reject federal contraceptive assistance to international family planning groups (House vote 534)  Y
Adopt budget with $23 billion more in discretionary spending than Bush’s proposal (House vote 377)  N
Allow faith-based Head Start providers to take religion into account when hiring (House vote 284)  Y
Approve $124.2 billion in emergency war spending and set goal for redeployment of troops from Iraq (House vote 265)  N
Increase minimum wage by $2.10 an hour over two years (House vote 18)  N
Adopt pay-as-you-go budget rules and earmark transparency (House vote 9)  N


CQ Interest Group Rating Scores:

NOTE: ADA = Americans For Democratic Action; CCUS = Chamber Of Commerce; ACU = American Conservative Union.

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Voter Participation Study:
LAMBORN STATE SERVICE

LEGISLATIVE SUCCESS RATE

NOTE: Bill Status for Lamborn’s entire State Senate career is available online. Bill status for entire State House Service is not available online.

NOTE: Formatting/search databases for Colorado Assembly changed from 1999 to 2000; hence different formatting in bullets below.

Lamborn Summary:

- **1998**: 1 Prime Sponsored Bill; 0 Became Law. (Colorado Assembly Website, [http://www.state.co.us/gov_dir/leg_dir/sess1998/sstat98.htm](http://www.state.co.us/gov_dir/leg_dir/sess1998/sstat98.htm), Accessed 3/8/12)


1998 Prime Sponsored Bills And Status (Does Not Include Resolutions):


Status 92: Lamborn Exemption Of Personal Property From Taxation
- Introduced in Senate and assigned to: Finance
- SFinance PI's this bill (postpone indefinitely)

1999 Prime Sponsored Bills And Status (Does Not Include Resolutions):


Status 14: Lamborn Local Labor Laws
- Introduced in Senate and assigned to: Local Government
- SLocal Government amends bill and sends to floor for S2nd reading
- Bill is amended on S2nd reading and sent on for S3rd reading
- Bill passes S3rd reading and is sent to House
- Introduced in House and assigned to: Local Government
- HLocal Government sends to floor for H2nd reading
- Bill passes H2nd reading and is sent on for H3rd reading
- Bill passes H3rd reading and is sent to Governor
- Bill is signed into LAW

Status 76: Lamborn Countywide Ballot Issues
- Introduced in Senate and assigned to: Local Government & Appropriations
- SLocal Government PI's this bill

Status 80: Lamborn Regulation Of Post-Viability Abortions
- Introduced in Senate and assigned to: State Affairs
- SState Affairs amends bill and sends to floor for S2nd reading
- Bill is amended on S2nd reading and is declared LOST

Status 133: Lamborn Remedies Available When Property Rights Have Been Violated
- Introduced in Senate and assigned to: State Affairs
- SState Affairs amends bill and sends to floor for S2nd reading
- Bill is referred to SAppropriations on S2nd reading
- SAppropriations amends bill and sends bill to floor for S2nd reading
• Bill is declared LOST on S2nd reading

Status 220: Lamborn "Colorado Uniform Custodial Trust Act"
• Introduced in Senate and assigned to: Judiciary
• SJudiciary sends floor for S2nd reading
• Bill is amended on S2nd reading and is sent on for S3rd reading
• Bill passes S3rd reading and is sent to House
• Introduced in House and assigned to: Judiciary
• HJudiciary sends bill to floor for H2nd reading
• Bill passes H2nd reading and is sent on for H3rd reading
• Bill passes H3rd reading and is sent to Governor
• Bill is signed into LAW

Status 221: Lamborn Common Interest Community
• Introduced in Senate and assigned to: State Affairs
• SState Affairs amends bill and sends bill to floor for S2nd reading
• Bill passes S2nd reading and is sent on for S3rd reading
• Bill passes S3rd reading and is sent to House
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2000 Prime Sponsored Bills And Status (Does Not Include Resolutions):


Lamborn: SB00-006: Max Time Limit On DeBrucing Measures
• Introduced 01/05 and assigned to FIN.
• PI 1/19

Lamborn SB00-011: MVD Licenses And ID Cards
• Introduced 01/05
• Signed into LAW 05/30

Lamborn: SB00-121: DNA Testing Of Convicted Felons
• Introduced 01/13
• Signed into LAW 05/26
Lamborn: SB00-164: CSOBA
- Introduced 01/21
- Signed into LAW 05/26

Lamborn: SB00-209: Retirement Plan Investment Standards
- Introduced 03/21
- Signed into LAW 05/23

2001 Prime Sponsored Bills And Status (Does Not Include Resolutions):


Lamborn: SB01-020: Public Depository Account Identification
Introduced 01/11
Signed Into LAW 03/28

Lamborn: SB01-053: Secured Transactions Uniform Act
Introduced 01/11
PI 1/31

Lamborn: SB01-087 Viable Child Protection Act
Introduced 01/15
PI 2/15

Lamborn: SB01-155: Local Capital Improvement Funds
Introduced 01/29
Signed Into LAW 03/29

Lamborn: SB01-167: Local Government Elections
Introduced 01/29
PI 2/19

Lamborn: SB01S-002: Development Of Thirty-five Acre Parcels
Introduced 05/14
PI 5/16

2002 Prime Sponsored Bills And Status (Does Not Include Resolutions):


Lamborn: SB02-019: DNA Testing Of All Felons
Introduced 01/09
Signed Into LAW 06/03

Lamborn: SB02-079: Enforcement Fair Campaign Practices Act
Introduced 01/11
Signed Into LAW 04/15

Lamborn: SB02-088: Chronic Gamblers Assistance Program
Introduced 01/14
PI 4/11

Lamborn: SB02-123: Right To Display Patriotic Symbols
Introduced 01/28
PI 2/14

Lamborn: SB02-142: Repeal Obsolete Provisions General Fund
Introduced 01/28
Signed Into LAW 06/01

Lamborn: SB02-199: Aid To Needy Disabled Substance Abuse
Introduced 04/04
PI 4/24

2003 Prime Sponsored Bills And Status (Does Not Include Resolutions):

### Lamborn: SB03-016: Industrial Banks Control
Introduced 01/08  
Signed Into LAW 04/22  

### Lamborn: SB03-063: Carrying Concealed Weapon
Introduced 01/09  
PI 4/4  

### Lamborn: SB03-070: Contractor Bonds & Liens
Introduced 01/10  
Signed Into LAW 05/14  

### Lamborn: SB03-135 Eliminate Obsolete Provisions
Introduced 01/24  
Signed Into LAW 04/07  

### Lamborn: SB03-235: Right To Display Patriotic Symbols
Introduced 02/13  
Signed Into LAW 05/14  

### Lamborn: SB03-335: Uniform Trust Code
Introduced 04/21  
PI 4/30  

### Lamborn: SB03-352: Congressional Redistricting
Introduced 05/05  
Signed Into LAW 05/09  

### 2004 Prime Sponsored Bills And Status (Does Not Include Resolutions):

9 Prime Sponsored Bills; 3 Became Law.  

### Lamborn: SB04-050: Motor Vehicle Passenger Carrier Service
Introduced 01/07
Lost 3/26  

**Lamborn: SB04-070: Uniform Trust Code**  
Introduced 01/08  
Lost 5/6  

**Lamborn: SB04-155: Preempt Local Minimum Wage Laws**  
Introduced 01/26  
Lost 2/16  

**Lamborn: SB04-166: Damages Cap In Med Malpractice Actions**  
Introduced 01/27  
Signed Into LAW 04/20  

**Lamborn: SB04-178: Promote Anatomical Donations**  
Introduced 02/06  
Signed Into LAW 06/04  

**Lamborn: SB04-192: Precinct Caucus Day Presidential Years**  
Introduced 02/23  
Lost 4/30  

**Lamborn: SB04-201: Unemployment Benefits Military Family**  
Introduced 03/15  
PI 4/14  

**Lamborn: SB04-216: Personal Property & Casualty**  
Introduced 03/30  
Approved by Governor, 6/4  

**Lamborn: SB04-227 Defining Abstinence Education**  
Introduced 04/13  
Lost 5/3*  

2005 Prime Sponsored Bills And Status (Does Not Include Resolutions):


**Lamborn: SB05-005**  
01/12/2005 Introduced
01/25/2005 Postpone Indefinitely

**Lamborn: SB05-044**
01/12/2005 Introduced
04/13/2005 Postpone Indefinitely

**Lamborn: SB05-080**
01/17/2005 Introduced
04/14/2005 Governor Action - Signed

**Lamborn: SB05-140**
01/31/2005 Introduced
02/16/2005 Postpone Indefinitely

**Lamborn: SB05-178**
02/01/2005 Introduced
02/09/2005 Postpone Indefinitely

**2006 Prime Sponsored Bills And Status (Does Not Include Resolutions):**


**Lamborn: SB06-028: Bronze Star Special License Plate**
Introduced 01/11
Signed Into LAW 06/05

**Lamborn: SB06-156: TABOR Prior Voter Approval Reqmnt & Fees**
Introduced 01/30
Lost

**Lamborn: SB06-158: Artificial Nourishment Hydration Medical**
Introduced 01/30
Deemed PI

**Lamborn: SB06-184: Centers Of Excellence At Comm Colleges**
Introduced 02/13
Deemed PI

**Lamborn: SB06-185: Protection Of Home Owners In Small HOAs**
Introduced 02/13

- **Lamborn Said Opponent Lacked Results:** “There hasn’t been much in the way of results… I feel I can be a more effective legislator. I would do my best to listen to people and get support for measures important to the district. We’d get more results.” (Jeff Thomas, “Republican Lamborn Says He’ll Challenge Duke,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 5/2/92)


1994-1995:

**Lamborn Wrote Op-Ed Calling For Constitutional Convention To Amend Constitution And End Unfunded Federal Mandates.** “Unfunded federal mandates are a hidden tax. Congress cannot or will not fully pay for all the programs within its own budget, as witnessed by the bloated federal deficit, much less pay for the responsibilities that it palms off onto the states. … If a state or local government has priorities different from that of Congress or the federal bureaucracy, but no money left over after paying for unfunded federal mandates, then its duty to be responsive to its own citizenry has been thwarted. The whole system of federalism, which allows some levels of government to be closer to the people and thus more responsive, is endangered when Congress treats state and local governments as mere appendages of itself. The only permanent solution to the problem of unfunded federal mandates is for the states to call for a constitutional convention to propose an amendment to the U.S. Constitution ending unfunded federal mandates.” (Doug Lamborn, Op-Ed, “Call Constitutional Convention To Curb Federal Mandates,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 4/14/94)

**The Denver Post Noted State House Race Between Lamborn And Max Rothchild.** “Attorney Doug Lamborn faces Max Rothschild, a retired public works director who had to fight to get on the ballot even as a petition candidate, taking his case to court. This is less a case of infighting as much as two similar candidates fighting over the seat vacated by Senate aspirant Charles Duke.” (Steve Lipsher, “Unity Key To GOP Success,” The Denver Post, 8/1/94)

“House Speaker Chuck Berry And GOP Newcomers Doug Dean And Doug Lamborn Were Unopposed [In General Election].” (Jeff Thomas, “GOP Keeps Firm Grip On Assembly,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 11/9/94)

Lamborn Was Labeled As “Ultra-Conservative” By Democrats. “The election of five extremely conservative Republicans to the House on Tuesday has observers comparing the group to the ‘House Crazies’ that turned the chamber upside down in the late 1970s. Republican Representatives-elect Jim Congrove, Doug Lamborn, Marilyn Musgrave, Mark Paschall and Eric Prinzler all have been branded by Democrats as ‘ultra-conservative’ candidates opposed to abortion, taxes and government growth and in favor of gun rights and school vouchers.” (Steve Lipsher, “Party Majority Big Enough For Dissension, GOP Says,” The Denver Post, 11/11/94)

Lamborn Received Free Fiesta Bowl Ticket From University; Did Not Attend Game; Said He Would Stop Taking Gifts That Raise Questions. “Two freshman lawmakers from Colorado Springs who accepted free tickets to the sold-out Fiesta Bowl said Thursday they will refuse future gifts if they find such perks offend their constituents. But Republican representatives-elect Doug Dean and Doug Lamborn insisted the complimentary tickets from the University of Colorado will not affect the way they vote on CU matters after they take office Jan. 9. … Dean agreed, although he, Lamborn and Ratterree will not attend the game. Dean offered his tickets to campaign volunteers. Lamborn gave his to a fellow legislator. And Ratterree returned his to the university because he could not attend. Martin could not be reached for comment. … Lamborn, an attorney who will represent House District 20, said elected officials have an obligation to disclose any gifts they receive in office. ‘I hope the public would not think I would be influenced by any gifts that I did decide to accept,’ he said. ‘But if there’s a serious question about that, I will stop taking gifts that would raise that kind of question.’” (Angela Dire, “Free Bowl Tickets Won’t Affect Votes On CU, Lawmakers Say,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 12/30/94)

Lamborn Authored Legislation That Would Require The State To Pay Landowners For Any Regulations That Impede On Their Ability To Make Money Off Land. “The first of several “taking” bills, to be considered today in the Colorado Legislature, raises the age-old debate of defining where the rights of private property owners end and the rights of society as a whole begin. HB 1171 by Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, would require the state to pay landowners for any regulations that impede their ability to make money off the land. ‘We’re trying to protect property rights of the citizens of Colorado,’ Lamborn said.” (Steve Lipsher, “House Taking Stab At Land Law Rights Of Society, Owners Weighed,” The Denver Post, 2/7/95)


Lamborn Attempted To Weaken Hate Crimes Legislation By Putting It On Ballot. “With a strong 9-4 vote, the House Judiciary Committee yesterday approved HB 1257 by Rep. Ken Chlouber. The Leadville Republican’s bill would expand the state’s hate-crimes law to protect those attacked because of age, disability or sexual orientation. … Under the current hate-crimes law, acts directed at people because of their race, color, ancestry, religion or national origin can be subject to additional criminal and civil charges. … The measure weathered several attempts by Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, to weaken its provisions and to subject it to a voter referendum. But it was sent to the House Finance Committee, where its chances of survival are considerably decreased.” (Steve Lipsher, “House Committee Approves Expansion Of Hate-Crimes Law,” The Denver Post, 2/15/95)
Lamborn Was Part Of Group Of Legislators Who Met Privately At Restaurants Etc; Controversy Over Whether Meetings Violated State Law. “Three Colorado Springs lawmakers are among a group of mostly freshman Republicans in the state House of Representatives that has met regularly in private to discuss legislative business. The controversial meetings have angered members of the group’s own party - who argue that the gatherings are divisive and possibly a violation of state law. But the newcomers insist they’re merely trying to learn more about how the Legislature works and are not attempting to influence public policy in private. ‘I will go to any meeting I can where I can learn more about the legislative process - I owe that duty to my constituents,’ said Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs. He and Reps. Doug Dean and Andy McElhany, both Colorado Springs Republicans and first-year legislators, have attended the gatherings regularly. The Associated Press reported Thursday that the group began meeting in homes and restaurants earlier this year - hosted by two veteran legislators, Reps. Penn Pfiffner, R-Lakewood, and Phil Pankey, R-Littleton. The group has included as many as a dozen lawmakers - all Republicans. Members of the group say the meetings are intended to school new lawmakers in topics such as how caucuses are run and how the budget process works. Said Lamborn: ‘We feel we are carrying out our duties as newly elected representatives if we can learn as quickly as possible from veterans on how the process works.’ House Majority Whip Jeanne Faatz of Denver also defended the gatherings - characterizing them as a ‘support group.’ … But some of the loudest critics of the meetings have been Republicans. ‘I call them ‘the bunny rabbits,’ because they are always scurrying around with each other and hiding in a hole somewhere in a meeting,’ said Rep. Lewis Entz, R-Hooper, a veteran lawmaker who hasn’t attended any of the sessions. … Colorado’s ‘Sunshine Law’ requires any meeting with more than two elected officials to be open. The state constitution forbids lawmakers from taking binding positions off the floor of the Legislature - even in their party caucuses. Group members insist they’ve violated neither of those laws and that the entire matter has been blown out of proportion. Lamborn, an attorney, says legislators must give notice of a public meeting only if a quorum is going to be present.” (“Private Meetings Sparking Lawmakers’ Anger/ Freshman GOP Members Discuss Legislation,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 3/17/95)

Lamborn Joined A Majority Of Republicans And Voted Against Requiring Violent Felons To Serve Their Full Term. “Amendment 1: Requiring violent felons, Class 2 and above, to serve their full sentences. Lost, 25-39. HOUSE REPUBLICANS (41): FOR THE AMENDMENT (6): Dave Owen, Greeley; Eric Prinzler, Thornton; Mike Salaz, Trinidad; Larry Schwarz, Wetmore; Bill Swenson, Longmont; Steve Tool, Fort Collins. AGAINST THE AMENDMENT (35): Steve Aquafresca, Cedaredge; Jeanne Adkins, Parker; Vickie Agler, Littleton; Debbie Allen, Aurora; Norma Anderson, Lakewood; Chuck Berry, Colorado Springs; Ken Chlouber, Leadville; Jim Congrove, Arvada; Doug Dean, Colorado Springs; Lewis Entz, Hooper; Mary Ellen Epps, Colorado Springs; Jeanne Faatz, Denver; Tim Foster, Grand Junction; Russ George, Rifle; Tony Grampas, Evergreen; Bill Jerke, LaSalle; Bill Kaufman, Loveland; Martha Kreutz, Littleton; Doug Lamborn, Colorado Springs; Joyce Lawrence, Pueblo; Bill Martin, Colorado Springs; Ron May, Colorado Springs; Andy McElhany, Colorado Springs; Gary McPherson, Aurora; Bud Moellenberg, Kirk; Marcy Morrison, Manitou Springs; Marilyn Musgrave, Fort Morgan; Phil Pankey, Littleton; Mark Paschall, Arvada; Penn Pfiffner, Lakewood; Paul Schauer, Littleton; Pat Sullivan, Greeley; Bryan Sullivant, Dillon; Jack Taylor, Steamboat Springs; Shirleen Tucker, Lakewood. HOUSE DEMOCRATS (24): FOR THE AMENDMENT (19): Don Armstrong, Aurora; Nolbert Chavez, Denver; Jim Dyer, Durango; Doug Friednash, Denver; Ken Gordon, Denver; Bob Hagedorn, Aurora; Rob Hernandez, Denver; Vi June, Westminster; Moe Keller, Wheat Ridge; Peggy Kerns, Aurora; Peggy Lamm, Boulder; Doug Linkhart, Denver; Glenda Lyle, Denver; Alice Nichol, Adams County; Dan Prinster, Grand Junction; Jeannie Reeser, Thornton; Peggy Reeves, Fort Collins; Gil Romero, Pueblo; Carol Snyder, Northglenn. AGAINST THE AMENDMENT (4): Ben Clarke, Denver; Wayne Knox, Denver; Todd Saliman, Boulder; Ron Tupa, Boulder. Not voting: Diana DeGette, Denver.” (“Merit Pay For Teachers Gets OK,” The Denver Post, 3/26/95)

“Some Amendments Amounted To Political Sniping, Such As A Move To Cut Staff At The Democratic-Controlled Lieutenant Governor’s Office By Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs. The Amendment
Eventually Passed, 34-31.” (Steve Lipsher, “Budget Debate Focuses On Overall State Spending Across-The-Board Decrease Of 2% Soundly Defeated,” The Denver Post, 4/7/95)

Lamborn Voted Against Budget After Rebuffed On Spending Cuts. “Conservative Republicans in both houses pushed the Legislature to adopt a 2 percent across-the-board reduction in spending despite the windfall in revenue. Rebuffed in their attempts, a few voted against the budget Thursday in protest. ‘It’s sort of a monument to the status quo,’ said Sen. Charlie Duke, R-Monument, who voted against the budget. He was joined by Reps. Doug Dean and Doug Lamborn, both Colorado Springs Republicans. ‘Eight and a half billion dollars for a state of three and a half million people? It seems like a lot.’” (Angela Dire, “$8.5 Billion Budget Gets OK,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 4/14/95)

Lamborn Joined Republicans In Emissions Study; One-Year Moratorium. “HB 1188: Study of emissions inspections, including amendment for a one-year moratorium. Passed final reading Tuesday in the House 34-29 and now goes to the Senate. HOUSE REPUBLICANS (41): YES (27): Steve Aquafresca, Cedaredge; Jeanne Adkins, Parker; Vickie Agler, Littleton; Debbie Allen, Aurora; Norma Anderson, Lakewood; Chuck Berry, Colorado Springs; Ken Chlouber, Leadville; Jim Congrove, Arvada; Doug Dean, Colorado Springs; Mary Ellen Epps, Colorado Springs; Jeanne Faatz, Denver; Tim Foster, Grand Junction; Tony Grampas, Evergreen; Doug Lamborn, Colorado Springs; Joyce Lawrence, Pueblo; Bill Martin, Colorado Springs; Andy McElhany, Colorado Springs; Marilyn Musgrave, Fort Morgan; Dave Owen, Greeley; Phil Pankey, Littleton; Mark Paschall, Arvada; Penn Pfiffner, Lakewood; Eric Prinzler, Thornton; Pat Sullivan, Greeley; Bryan Sullivant, R-Dillon; Bill Swenson, Longmont; Shirleen Tucker, Lakewood. NO (12): Lewis Entz, Hooper; Russ George, Rifle; Bill Jerke, La Salle; Bill Kaufman, Loveland; Ron May, Colorado Springs; Gary McPherson, Aurora; Bud Moellenberg, Kirk; Marcy Morrison, Manitou Springs; Mike Salaz, Trinidad; Larry Schwarz, Wetmore; Jack Taylor, Steamboat Springs; Steve Tool, Fort Collins; Not voting (2): Martha Kreutz, Littleton; Paul Schauer, Littleton. HOUSE DEMOCRATS (24): YES (7): Don Armstrong, Aurora; Doug Friednash, Denver; Rob Hernandez, Denver; Vi June, Westminster; Alice Nichol, Adams; Jeannie Reeser, Thornton; Carol Snyder, Northglenn; NO (17): Nolbert Chavez, Denver; Ben Clarke, Denver; Diana DeGette, Denver; Jim Dyer, Durango; Ken Gordon, Denver; Bob Hagedorn, Aurora; Moe Keller, Wheat Ridge; Peggy Kerns, Aurora; Wayne Knox, Denver; Peggy Lamm, Superior; Doug Linkhart, Denver; Glenda Lyle, Denver; Dan Prinster, Grand Junction; Peggy Reeves, Fort Collins; Gil Romero, Pueblo; Todd Saliman, Boulder; Ron Tupa, Boulder.” ("Controversial Bills Dominate Legislature’s Last 2 Weeks," The Denver Post, 4/24/95)

Lamborn Voted For Parental Notification Abortion Legislation. "HB 1329: Requiring a doctor to notify a parent or guardian before an abortion on a girl younger than 18. House killed bill Thursday on voice vote; attempt to revive failed 29-33. HOUSE REPUBLICANS (41): YES (29): Jeanne Adkins, Parker; Vickie Agler, Littleton; Debbie Allen, Aurora; Norma Anderson, Lakewood; Chuck Berry, Colorado Springs; Jim Congrove, Arvada; Doug Dean, Colorado Springs; Mary Ellen Epps, Colorado Springs; Tim Foster, Grand Junction; Tony Grampas, Evergreen; Bill Jerke, La Salle; Bill Kaufman, Loveland; Doug Lamborn, Colorado Springs; Joyce Lawrence, Pueblo; Bill Martin, Colorado Springs; Ron May, Colorado Springs; Andy McElhany, Colorado Springs; Bud Moellenberg, Kirk; Marcy Morrison, Manitou Springs; Marilyn Musgrave, Fort Morgan; Phil Pankey, Littleton; Mark Paschall, Arvada; Penn Pfiffner, Lakewood; Eric Prinzler, Thornton; Mike Salaz, Trinidad; Pat Sullivan, Greeley; Bill Swenson, Longmont; Steve Tool, Fort Collins; Shirleen Tucker, Lakewood. NO (11): Steve Aquafresca, Cedaredge; Ken Chlouber, Leadville; Lewis Entz, Hooper; Jeanne Faatz, Denver; Russ George, Rifle; Martha Kreutz, Littleton; Gary McPherson, Aurora; Paul Schauer, Littleton; Larry Schwarz, Wetmore; Bryan Sullivant, R-Dillon; Jack Taylor, Steamboat Springs. Not voting (1): Dave Owen, Greeley. HOUSE DEMOCRATS (24): YES (0): Vi June, Westminster; Moe Keller, Wheat Ridge; Peggy Kerns, Aurora; Wayne Knox, Denver; Peggy Lamm, Superior; Doug Linkhart, Denver; Glenda Lyle, Denver; Alice Nichol, Adams County; Dan Prinster, Grand Junction; Jeannie Reeser, Thornton; Peggy Reeves,
Lamborn Supporped Requiring State Air-Quality Commission To Have ‘Super Majority’ To Draft New Rules On Air Pollution. “The state air-quality commission will need a ‘super majority’ to draft strict new rules on factory-generated air pollution under a bill that received preliminary approval in the Colorado House yesterday. The issue was the chief focus of debate for the pro-industry HB 1326, establishing the procedure the commission will use to regulate stationary sources of pollution. ... An amendment by Rep. Jeannie Reeser, D-Thornton, would have allowed a simple majority of the nine-member commission to establish rules stricter than those required by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency. But opponents trounced the measure, saying such moves should require a two-thirds vote of support. ‘If the commission is making fairly controversial decisions, it should be by more than a simple majority,’ said Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs.” (Steve Lipsher, “House Moves Air Bill Panel Would Need ‘Super Majority’,” The Denver Post, 5/2/95)

Lamborn On Campaign Finance Reform Legislation: “There Are Clever People Out There Who Are Not Entirely Ethical And Honest, And They Will Find A Way To Get Around Any Laws We Put Into Place.” (Steve Lipsher, “House Oks Reform Bill Too Many Loopholes, Critics Say,” The Denver Post, 5/4/95)

Lamborn Was Listed As “One Hit Wonder” For Lack Of Passing Legislation In 1995. “Why aren't there legislature fans the way there are basketball fans or baseball fans? If sports fans will sit still for a soccer match, for pete's sake, they ought to find a session of the Colorado Senate absolutely stirring by comparison. But there's one thing missing from the legislature: statistics. True fans need numbers, percentages and standings to show off their knowledge of the game. The most easily quantifiable way to judge a legislator's performance is to look at each member's success in passing bills. It's like a batting average. So here's the annual post-session Stats Weenie’s Guide to the Colorado Legislature. … One-Hit Wonders: Republicans Andy McElhany, Colorado Springs, and Mark Paschall, Arvada, at .250 each; Marcy Morrison, Manitou Springs, .200; Doug Lamborn of Colorado Springs and Eric Prinzler of Thornton, .167 each; and at .143 (1 for 7) Ken Chlouber, Leadville, and Phil Pankey, Littleton.” (Fred Brown, “Legislators' Batting Stats: The House,” The Denver Post, 5/17/95)

Lamborn Recognized By Taxpayers Group For Defending Lower Taxes And Government. “Colorado Springs-area legislators score high as ‘defenders of lower taxes and smaller government’ in a recent rating by the Colorado Union of Taxpayers. All but three local lawmakers rank among the Top 10 in their respective houses in the rating compiled by the statewide tax watchdog group. House Speaker Chuck Berry and Reps. Doug Lamborn and Andy McElhany, all Colorado Springs Republicans, received the second-highest score for the Legislature. Each voted along lines favored by the taxpayers union 95 percent of the time.” (Angela Dire, “Local Lawmakers Rate High With Union Of Taxpayers,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 9/6/95)

1996-1997:


Lamborn Was Concerned About Government’s Role In Regard To Children. “The struggle between differing interests was underscored by one lawmaker's repeated attempts to give equal weight to the best interest of both the child and the family. 'I'm just concerned there's a trend in society by some to view children in isolation and (think) that the government's role is to take care of children,' said Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs. He proposed including a clause that would state parents have the right to raise their children as they see fit. The committee did approve an amendment by Lamborn requiring social services officials to consider a family's rights when deciding what is best for the children." ("Logjam Delays Revisions Children's Code Hearings Moved," The Denver Post, 2/8/96)

“HB 1298 By Lamborn, Of Colorado Springs, Restricting Late-Term Abortions, Which Was Rejected Last Week In The House Health, Environment, Welfare And Institutions Committee.” (Steve Lipsher, “House ‘Rabbits’ Grow Fangs,” The Denver Post, 2/26/96)

- Lamborn: “The average person on the street in Colorado would be shocked to learn it is perfectly legal to go into the hospital and instead of delivering your baby, you can abort it….It is not done very often. But it is done enough that I feel it needs to be debated." (Felicia Haynes, “Ban On Late Abortions Fails,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 2/20/96)

Lamborn Hypocrisy In Son’s Arson Case Noted. “Last year, state Rep. Doug Lamborn voted for a law raising the financial liability of parents of juvenile delinquents. ‘I felt that parents ought to be responsible for their children,’ he said. ‘I still feel that way.’ But when it comes to his own family, Lamborn has declined to pay a cent on his teenage son’s 3-year-old arson transgressions, despite a Colorado Springs court order that he cough up $3,500 in restitution to the victim. ‘This thing has been hanging since April of 1993,’ said John Barney, whose construction trailer was torched then by the younger Lamborn and another youth. ‘I lost everything. It literally destroyed me, and he hasn't helped me out one bit.’ Lamborn, a Colorado Springs Republican, said he has yet to pay any restitution because of his questions over the amount due and his own liability in the case. Tomorrow, he is scheduled to appear in court to answer a motion by Barney for immediate payment of the restitution, as well as a claim that the amount be doubled because Barney contends that two separate offenses occurred. ‘In both the new and the old law, it says parents may be absolved if they don’t encourage or condone the behavior,’ Lamborn said. ‘We haven't yet raised that issue. I plan to raise that at this hearing.’” (Steve Lipsher, “Lawmaker Called Hypocrite In Arson Victim Hopes Court Speeds Payment,” The Denver Post, 3/18/96)

Lamborn Was Ordered By Court To Pay Fine. “State Rep. Doug Lamborn yesterday was ordered to pay a $3,500 fine for an arson fire set by his teenage son three years ago, but the settlement fell far short of the victim’s hopes. Lamborn, a Republican from Colorado Springs, had avoided making the court-ordered payment since last July, even though he supported a law last year that raised the amount that judges could demand from parents of delinquents. ‘I'm sick and tired of the whole mess, and I'm actually glad to get some closure today, so we can all
get on with our lives,' he said." (Steve Lipsher, “Lawmaker Lamborn Ordered To Pay Fine For Teen Son's Arson,” The Denver Post, 3/20/96)

Lamborn Voted To Allow Denver Broncos To Seek Public Financing For A New Stadium. “Here are yesterday's final votes in the Senate and House on HB 1374, a bill allowing the Denver Broncos to seek public financing for a new stadium. .... HOUSE REPUBLICANS (41) YES (19): Steve Aquafresca, Cedaredge; Jeanne Adkins, Parker; Vickie Agler, Littleton; Debbie Allen, Aurora; Norma Anderson, Lakewood; Doug Dean, Colorado Springs; Tim Foster, Grand Junction; Russ George, Rifle; Bill Kaufman, Loveland; Doug Lamborn, Colorado Springs; Joyce Lawrence, Pueblo; Bill Martin, Colorado Springs; Ron May, Colorado Springs; Paul Schauer, Littleton; Larry Schwarz, Wetmore; Pat Taylor, Greeley; Jack Taylor, Steamboat Springs; Steve Tool, Fort Collins; Brad Young, Lamar. NO (22): Chuck Berry, Colorado Springs; Ken Chlouber, Leadville; Jim Congrove, Arvada; Lewis Entz, Hooper; Mary Ellen Epps, Colorado Springs; Jeanne Faatz, Denver; Tony Grampsas, Evergreen; Bill Jerke, LaSalle; Martha Kreutz, Littleton; Andy McElhany, Colorado Springs; Gary McPherson, Aurora; Marcy Morrison, Manitou Springs; Marilyn Musgrave, Fort Morgan; Dave Owen, Greeley; Phil Pankey, Littleton; Mar Caschall, Arvada; Penn Pittman, Lakewood; Eric Prinzler, Thornton; Mike Salaz, Trinidad; Bryan Sullivan, R-Dillon; Bill Swenson, Longmont; Shirileen Tucker, Lakewood." (Thomas Frank And Steve Lipsher, “Stadium Now Up To Voters,” The Denver Post, 5/9/96)

Lamborn’s Proposed Language On Welfare Law Threatened To Scuttle Three Years Worth Of Work On Child Abuse Legislation. “Don't let child abusers off the hook, state prosecutors are urging lawmakers. That's what district attorneys say might happen if language affirming parents' rights is included in a proposed child welfare law. Controversy over the language proposed by Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, also threatens to scuttle three years' worth of work on revising the Colorado Children's Code, a package of laws that spell out how the state punishes delinquent youngsters and protects abused kids. The so-called 'parental rights' clause is simple: the 'right of parents to control the upbringing, education, discipline and values of their children shall not be infringed.' To Lamborn, nothing could be clearer. 'Who of us can say we want to infringe on parents' rights?' he asked during debate this week. But prosecutors fear the simple statement could have far-reaching consequences. 'I'm concerned, if the wording is inappropriate, that child abusers could use it as a potential defense,' said John Suthers, 4th Judicial District attorney. 'If I was charged with child abuse, I would say 'You are infringing on my right to discipline my child.' That's not what the Legislature intends. So why mess around with language like that?' Ray Slaughter, executive director of the Colorado District Attorneys Council, agreed.” (Kelly Pearce and Angela Dire, “Red Flag In Children's Bill,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 4/6/96)

- NOTE: “On a 5-3 vote, the committee removed language added earlier by Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs: 'The right of parents to control the upbringing, education, discipline and values of their children shall not be infringed.'” (Kelly Pearce, “Parental-Rights Battle Looms,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 4/13/96)

National Federation Of Independent Businesses Recognized Lamborn’s Work With “Guardian Of Small Business” Award. “The National Federation of Independent Business has given its "Guardian of Small Business" award to State Rep. Doug Lamborn of Colorado Springs. He has a 100 percent rating for his voting record on small business-related legislation and has sponsored a bill that exempts businesses that own $2,500 or less in property from paying personal property taxes or filing a return.” (“Business Briefcase,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 10/20/96)

Lamborn Noted As Most Conservative Of House Leadership Slate. “Assistant majority leader is another veteran, nine-term Rep. Jeanne Faatz, R-Denver, and the majority whip is Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, elected to his second term. Lamborn is regarded as the most conservative in the new slate.” (“Berry Keeps Top Post In State House,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 11/8/96)

- Lamborn “Outraged” When Measure Died In Committee. “Two Republicans helped defeat a bill forbidding schools from asking students personal questions about sex or their family life, and the Wednesday vote left its Colorado Springs sponsor livid. ‘I'm outraged,’ said Republican Rep. Doug Lamborn after the vote of the House Education Committee. Two Republicans, Paul Schauer of Littleton and Dorothy Gotlieb of Denver, joined four Democrats in voting to kill the bill, which died on a 6-5 vote. ‘They don't care about the rights of parents, apparently,’ Lamborn said.” (“Springs Sponsor Upset After Committee Kills Bill,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 1/30/97)

“The House Finance Committee Approved HB 1236 By Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-COLORADO SPRINGS, To Lower The State’s Individual And Corporate Tax Rate From 5 Percent Of Federal Taxable Income To 4.75 Percent Starting In 1999.” (“Under The Dome,” The Denver Post, 2/6/97)

Lamborn Said Child Support Legislation Cracking Down On Deadbeat Parents Was Too Sweeping. “As part of the state's welfare overhaul, a legislative panel on Tuesday approved a sweeping plan for collecting child support from deadbeat parents. The bill, approved by the House Judiciary Committee on a 9-4 vote, would require businesses to provide the state information on all new employees to determine if they are behind in child support payments. It also would suspend the professional work licenses of those owing support. Hunting and fishing licenses also could be denied because of delinquent payments or refusal to honor court orders. Driver's licenses already can be voided under a bill passed last year. . . . [R]ep. Doug Lamborn, R-COLORADO SPRINGS, said it is the most sweeping and intrusive bill he has ever seen. ‘This is just too sweeping. . . . I just can't go along with it,’ he said.” (“House Panel Oks Get-Tough Approach To Deadbeat Parents,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 2/12/97)


Lamborn Wrote Op-Ed For Tax Relief. “The Colorado House of Representatives recently passed and sent to the state Senate an income tax rate cut from the current 5 percent to 4.75 percent. This would save Colorado taxpayers $166 million per year. I introduced House Bill 1236 because I truly believe we need to keep government smaller at all levels, including state government. Although Colorado state taxes are the third lowest in the nation, for which previous legislatures deserve praise, we cannot let down our guard. There is constant and intense pressure to continually fund new programs or expand existing ones by large dollar amounts. Every expenditure for a program now creates a constituency to fund that program in the future, at ever increasing amounts. A tax cut is the best way to keep our state spending under control. Because in Denver we are constitutionally required to balance our budget, unlike in Washington, any reduction in revenue automatically translates into that much smaller of a budget. On the other hand, if money is available to be spent, it will indeed be spent. If we do not cut taxes when our revenues are strong, we never will.” (Doug Lamborn, Op-Ed, “Tax Cut Assures That State Spending Will Be Kept Under Control,” Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph, 3/10/97)

“Lamborn Has Pushed A Fiscal And Socially Conservative Agenda Since Being Elected To The Assembly In 1994. But Once Again He Was Thwarted In Those Efforts This Year.” (“What El Paso & Teller County Lawmakers Did,” The Gazette, 5/8/97)
“Two Republicans Also Lost Every Bill That They Introduced: Rep. Barry Arrington Of Arvada Was 0 For 5, And Rep. Doug Lamborn Of Colorado Springs Was 0 For 4.” (“Vetoes Can Be A Political Plus,” The Denver Post, 6/11/97)


1998-1999:

Lamborn’s Legislative Agenda For Upcoming 2008 Session: “If this is the year for tax cuts, the man with the plan is Lamborn. He’s getting support in high places for a bill to lower the state income tax rate from 5 to 4.75 percent. To avoid a certain veto, he wants to put the measure on the ballot. … Lamborn also plans to introduce measures to create incentives for companies or municipalities to go beyond the minimum guidelines for pollution, protect existing shooting ranges from noise-reduction regulations and reduce the state’s contribution to the state employee retirement program without changing pension rights or benefit levels.” (Genevieve Anton, “Here’s A Look At Area Lawmakers’ Best-Laid Plans,” The Gazette, 1/7/98)

Lamborn: “I Believe In Smaller Government, Cheaper, Less Expensive Government...And I'm Pro-Life. I Don't Duck Out On That. If I Believe In Something, I'm Going To Act On It.” (Scott Thomsen, “Lamborn Seeks Duke’s Seat,” The Gazette, 1/17/98)


After Selected To Replace State Senator, Lamborn Said He Would “Walk The Walk” And Fight Liberals In Denver. “After the vote [to pick Lamborn as Sen. Duke’s replacement] at the Colorado Music Hall, Lamborn told party activists, ‘I’m going to Denver to fight the liberals and the Democrats.’ He said he would push for lower taxes, fewer government regulations and ‘traditional values.’ ‘I don’t just talk the talk. I walk the walk,’ he said. ‘Together, we’re going to make a difference.’” (“Lamborn Will Sit In For Duke,” The Gazette, 2/1/98)

Rep. Doug Lamborn Will Be Sworn In Today As The Region's Senator From The 9th District. ‘Yeah, I'm Excited,’ Said Lamborn...‘As A Senator, I Will Have More Influence Over Legislation.’” (“Western Empire,” The Denver Post, 2/2/98)

Lamborn Opposed Tax On Mail Order/Internet Sales. “Coloradans who buy goods free of sales tax by mail order or by the Internet would be out of luck under a bill approved by the state Senate last week. SB 116 would require out-of-state businesses to collect Colorado sales tax on shipped goods, which they only have to do now if they have a retail presence in the state. The Land's End catalog company, for instance, has no store in Colorado, so charges no sales tax on clothes shipped here. The Nordstrom department store, however, charges a sales tax on mail-order goods because it has a store here. The Senate bill would equalize all that, requiring all out-of-state businesses to impose the tax. It leaves several details to be worked out later, however, including the amount of the fee. … It passed 22-11 on Thursday, and next moves to a House committee for consideration. … Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, voted against the bill. He sympathized with the local business argument, but said the Senate needs to consider consumers as well.” (Ricky Young, “Senate Approves Tax On Mail Orders,” The Denver Post, 3/1/98)

“The Measure That Removes Sales Tax From Telephone Services, HB 1065, Also Would Allow Counties And Cities To Remove Their Sales Taxes - After A Vote Of The People. It Was Approved By The Senate On A 26-8 Vote. Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, Said He Sponsored The Bill Because It Is The Only Necessity That Now Is Taxed By The State.” (Peggy Lowe, Senate OKs Trim On Telephone Taxes,” The Denver Post, 3/31/98)


Potential Lamborn Opponent Criticized His Leadership Qualities. “Lamborn said his record shows he's one of the most conservative senators in Colorado. 'I have never voted for a tax increase, and I have voted for every tax decrease I have ever been presented with.' Ratterree, a former state representative, was nominated by state Rep. Doug Dean, R-Colorado Springs, but received support from only 28 percent of the delegates. Ratterree said he intends to continue his campaign by circulating nominating petitions to get on the ballot. 'I have the leadership qualities and the respect to get legislation passed, not just introduced,' Ratterree said.” (Scott Thomsen, “GOP Nominees Shoo-Ins,” The Gazette, 5/3/98)

Lamborn Opponent Received “Hate Mail” Being Circulated By Lamborn Supporters Regarding Taking His Wife Off Life Support. “Nasty allegations are swirling around Sen. Doug Lamborn and his opponent, Tom Ratterree, in campaign fliers and tape-recorded conversations involving supporters of the candidates. Ratterree has received copies of hate mail being circulated against him by Lamborn supporters. The letters surfaced a couple of weeks ago and became public at the Republican Party’s El Paso County Assembly on May 2. One of the letters suggests that Ratterree, who opposes euthanasia, violated his own moral code by taking his wife off life support. Ratterree’s wife, Mary, died in 1991 after a lengthy battle with cancer. At her request, she was given fluids and a feeding tube but was not connected to life support machinery. Ratterree was with his wife at the hospital when she died.” (Scott Thomsen, “Supporters Of GOP Senate Rivals Sling Mud,” The Gazette, 5/10/98)

- NOTE: Ratterree Attacked Lamborn On Son’s Arson Case. “Other bitter allegations revolve around a 1993 arson spree by Lamborn's son, the details of which were contained in fliers circulated before the assembly. Construction company owner John Barney, with help from Ratterree supporters, started distributing the fliers in April. The fliers contend that Lamborn attempted to avoid paying his share of the restitution for the damage caused by his son, now 18. That would contradict a state law Lamborn helped pass to increase parental financial liability for the crimes of a child. In the flier, Barney accused Lamborn of "legal maneuvering to stall" paying restitution, which, in Barney's mind, ‘clearly points out Lamborn's deficiencies as a public servant.’ Barney stopped attacking Lamborn in late April after Lamborn's son agreed to pay him the $6,500 he owed in restitution. Ratterree says the settlement was designed to stop criticism during the election campaign rather than resolve the unpaid restitution. ‘I think it's despicable,’ Ratterree said. In fact, the financial settlement with Barney included a provision requiring Barney to stop circulating the fliers. Barney even called Ratterree. He left a message on his answering machine asking
Ratterree to stop using the fliers.” (Scott Thomsen, “Supporters Of GOP Senate Rivals Sling Mud,” The Gazette, 5/10/98)


- **Lamborn Criticized The List.** “Rep. Doug Lamborn, for instance, pointed out that the best-and-worst list that ran May 18 showed that the only bill he introduced did not pass. Unfair, he said. He actually carried six bills, but he had to abandon five House bills when he was named to fill a Senate vacancy. So he was actually three of six, he said, for 50 percent, which is in the middle ground occupied by most legislators.” (Fred Brown, “Candidates’ Bill Records Compared,” The Denver Post, 5/27/98)

Lamborn Voiced Support For Proposals That Would Empower Partners Living Together, Regardless Of Sexual Orientation. Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, is a conservative who opposes granting special rights to gays and lesbians. But he said he might support proposals that would empower partners living together, regardless of their sexual orientation. “If there is something between any two adults, even if brother and sister or roommates or friends, that should be done for all adults, and not only for the homosexual community, then I think we will seriously look at that,’ he said. ‘But only if it is for both homosexuals and heterosexuals.’” (Pam Zubeck, “Recognize Gay Couples,” The Gazette, 7/9/98)

Lamborn Attempted To Amend Tax Refund Bill To Include Corporations. “Colorado lawmakers passed and Gov. Roy Romer signed a bill Wednesday to refund a $563 million state revenue surplus to taxpayers. Romer applauded the four-tiered refund contained in HB1003, which passed the House by a 63-1 vote and the Senate by 35-0. … Sponsors Rep. Jack Taylor, R-Steamboat Springs, and Sen. Bill Schroeder, R-Morrison, witnessed the governor’s signing their bill just two hours after lawmakers adjourned the three-day special legislative session on the refund. … The refunds are mandated by the Taxpayer’s Bill of Rights, a constitutional amendment adopted in 1992 to limit state revenue increases to inflation, plus population growth. It also requires voter approval of excess spending. … Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, tried to amend HB1003 to include corporations in the refund.” (Tom McAvoy, “Colorado Lawmakers Pass Bill To Refund Revenue Surplus To Taxpayers,” The Pueblo Chieftain, 9/17/98)


Lamborn Proposed Legislation To Keep Localities From Setting Their Own Minimum Wage. “The sponsor of a bill barring communities from setting their own minimum wages said the issue is of statewide importance. Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, told the Senate Local Government Committee Thursday that the state might see its medical and welfare costs rise if higher wages drive away businesses and people lose their jobs. The committee voted 4-3 to send Senate Bill 14 to the full Senate.” (Judith Kohler, “Legislators OK Bill Outlawing Local Minimum-Wage Hikes,” The Associated Press, 1/28/99)
• “‘We Have To Have A Variety Of Jobs Available (In Our Cities), And That Means Some Lower Wage Jobs,’ Lamborn Said During A Hearing For The Bill Last Month. If A Higher Minimum Wage Were Imposed, It Would ‘Drive Those Jobs Into The Suburbs And Cause A Reduction Of Tax Base,’ He Said.” (Kristy Bassuener, “Senators Oppose Local Minimum Wage,” The Gazette, 2/18/99)

“A Bill By Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, Would Restrict Late-Term Abortions. After 19 Weeks Of Pregnancy, A Woman Would Have To Be Examined And A Doctor Would Have To Certify That An Abortion Was Needed To Save Her Life Or Prevent Permanent Disability. A Doctor Who Broke The Law Could Face Misdemeanor Or Felony Manslaughter Or Murder Charges, Depending On The Case.”

(“Legislature Has Guns, Marriage, Abortion On Agenda,” The Associated Press, 2/12/99)


Lamborn Sent Letter To Planned Parenthood Asking If They Used Taxpayer Money To Send Flowers To Legislators. “In case you missed it, Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains tried to send thank-you roses Wednesday to senators who voted against a late-term abortion ban, sponsored by Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs. A new rule established by Senate President Ray Powers, also a Colorado Springs Republican, states individual senators cannot be singled out for gifts of thanks based on a vote. The flowers were collected and displayed in a large vase on the Senate floor. Lamborn immediately responded with a letter to Planned Parenthood. ‘On behalf of the taxpayers of my district, I demand to know if your organization, heavily subsidized by the taxpayers of Colorado, used any taxpayer money for this particular gift to selected lawmakers,’ he wrote. A spokeswoman for Planned Parenthood said the organization used monetary donations to buy the flowers.” (“Under The Dome,” The Gazette, 3/7/99)

Lamborn Introduced Resolution To Have Denver Mayor And Colorado Governor Ask Chinese Premier Questions About Religious Persecution And Tiananmen Square Massacre. “Six Republican members of the state Senate have introduced a resolution urging Denver Mayor Wellington Webb and Gov. Bill Owens to ask the premier of China questions about the theft of military secrets, religious persecution and the Tiananmen Square massacre. Chinese Premier Zhu Rongji is planning a visit to the United States next week. He is due next Saturday in Denver, where he is expected to meet with state and city leaders. The resolution was introduced in the Senate this week by Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, and could be debated next week before the Chinese leader's arrival.” (“Senators Seek Resolution Regarding Chinese Premier,” The Associated Press, 4/3/99)

Lamborn Was One Of Three Senators To Vote Against Female Genital Mutilation Bill; Said Child Abuse-Laws Already Ban The Practice. “Only three senators voted against illegalizing the practice of cutting away parts of girls’ genitalia. Sens. Jim Congrove, R-Arvada, Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs and Marilyn Musgrave, R-Fort Morgan, voted against SB 96 Tuesday. They didn't speak, but Lamborn and Musgrave have said in the past that child-abuse laws already ban the practice. Called female genital mutilation, the cultural practice is intended to reduce a female's desire for sex. Sen. Dorothy Rupert, D-Boulder, said the state's failure to pass the bill in past years has become an embarrassment to Colorado.” (“Under The Dome,” The Denver Post, 4/7/99)

Lamborn Said Record $11.45 Billion Budget Was A “Frugal, Conservative Budget.” “With only token dissent, the Colorado House and Senate agreed Tuesday to a record $11.45 billion main budget for the 1999-2000 fiscal year. Gov. Bill Owens now gets his chance to look it over. The measure took only a little longer in the Senate, which voted 24-8. … But Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, said the new budget raises overall funding
“He Also Backed A Failed Amendment By Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, That Would Have Taken Away Sheriffs’ Discretion To Deny Permits To Applicants Deemed A Danger To Themselves Or Others Based On Documented Previous Behavior.”” (Tom McAvoy, “Colorado Senate Votes To Ban Concealed Weapons In Some Places,” The Pueblo Chieftain, 4/13/99)


Lamborn Voiced Concern Over Tobacco Settlement; Said Lawsuit Shouldn’t Have Happened In First Place; Money Should Go Into Trust Fund. “Plans for spending Colorado’s $ 2.8 billion share of the tobacco lawsuit settlement were temporarily held up Wednesday by a legislator’s procedural move. The state Senate gave final approval to a bill detailing how the money would be spent over the next 25 years. But Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, who voted for Senate Bill 132, gave notice he might ask that the measure be reconsidered. Lamborn had 72 hours to decide whether to make the request, which would have creates a time crunch because only five days are left in the legislative session. But he canceled his notice in the afternoon. Lamborn said the governor’s staff assured him they will insist on certain conditions in the bill, which still has to go to the House of Representatives. He said the legislation ‘rubs me the wrong way.’ Lamborn said the states should not have filed the lawsuit in the first place. ‘And the money shouldn’t go to the state in the second place,’ he said. Lamborn said Gov. Bill Owens has agreed to insist that a large chunk of the money goes into a trust fund.” (Judith Kohler, “Tobacco Settlement Plans Approved,” The Associated Press, 4/28/99)

Lamborn Said Seat Belt Requirement Law Would Make “Criminals Out Of Soccer Moms.” “Four El Paso County senators voted against a measure that would require all children in a vehicle to wear seatbelts, arguing that it would be a heavy-handed regulation that is not always practical. Current law allows exceptions to the mandatory use of child restraints or safety belts if there are not enough of them for everybody riding in the vehicle. That exemption would be repealed under House Bill 1366, which passed Monday on a final 23-11 vote in the Senate and will be sent to the governor. Senate President Ray Powers argued that it was a simple case of the government trying to run every aspect of people’s lives. Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, said he was worried about people who have more children than seatbelts or participate in car pools, and can’t afford a bigger car. ‘This bill makes criminals out of soccer moms,’ he said.” (“Senate Says All Kids Should Buckle Up,” The Gazette, 5/4/99)

Lamborn Credited With Helping Carry Tax Cut Legislation. “Colorado lawmakers Monday delivered the $ 200 million-plus income tax cut that Gov. Bill Owens considered crucial to tax relief in his first year in office. ‘I’m told this is the largest tax cut in Colorado history,’ Owens said. ‘I think it’s the fairest way to address Colorado’s surplus by not taking in excess revenue in the first place.’ The House and Senate agreed with the governor on a permanent cut in the state’s 5 percent income tax to 4.75 percent, saving taxpayers $ 205 million the first full year, rising to $ 220 million in the second year of 2001. Rep. Gary McPherson, R-Aurora, and Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, carried HB1207, the centerpiece of the governor’s tax-cut plans.” (Tom McAvoy, “Colorado Lawmakers Deliver Tax Cut,” The Pueblo Chieftain, 5/4/99)

Lamborn Had Some Success In Passing Legislation In 1999. “Sen. Doug Lamborn (R) … Bills Sponsored: SB209: Gives counties the same authority as cities and the state to refer issues to voters. (Killed) SB220: Relates to the creation and termination of custodial trusts, responsibilities and powers of custodial trustees and the beneficiaries of custodial trusts. (On governor's desk) SB221: Allows covenant or other contract-based
communities to petition state district courts to appeal the community rules under certain conditions. (On
governor's desk) SB133: Allows landowners who successfully sue the government over property rights to recoup
attorney fees and costs from the government. (Killed) SB80: Bans late-term abortions unless mother's life
threatened. (Killed) SB76: Allows county residents to petition questions to the ballot. (Killed) SB14: Sets a
statewide minimum wage law, pre-empting local governments. (Signed into law)" (“What El Paso And Teller County
Lawmakers Did In 1999,” The Gazette, 5/9/99)

Springs, A Taxpayer "Champion," For His Rating Of 93 Percent, And Awarded An Identical Honor To
Fellow Republican Marilyn Musgrave Of Fort Morgan.” (Carl Hillard, “Taxpayer Group Grades Legislature,” The
Associated Press, 9/22/99)

2000-2001:

Lamborn Sponsored Legislation To Have Localities Check Voters At Least Once Every Four Years Before
Holding Onto Excess Revenue. “It is another round in the battle between Colorado tax crusaders and local
government. The Senate Finance Committee is expected to vote Tuesday on a bill that would require local
governments to check with voters at least once every four years about hanging on to excess revenue. Under
current law, tax money collected beyond certain limits must be refunded unless voters allow the taxing authority to
keep it. School districts, fire departments and other entities, tiring of constant appeals to the electorate, can ask
for long-term permission to keep surplus funds they've collected -- or that the state has collected for them.
Although Colorado Springs voters haven't approved any permanent measures for the city to keep the money,
nothing in the law prevents the city from trying a long-term approach. But that could change. SB6, sponsored by
Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, would put an end to that option. 'This bill would protect voters because
it requires them to be consulted more often,' Lamborn said in a Senate Finance Committee meeting last week.”
(Jennifer Hamilton, “Colorado Bill Would Prevent Cities From Holding On To Tax Surplus,” The Gazette, 1/17/00)

Pfiffner, R-Denver, and Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, to deregulate the taxi industry statewide. The
bill would allow virtually unlimited taxi competition, requiring companies only to meet safety and insurance
standards to get a license.” (Wayne Heilman, “The Gazette, Colorado Springs, Colo., Wayne Heilman Column,” The Gazette,
1/30/00)

Lamborn Lobbied Members To Not Weaken Tax Breaks For Intel. “One of the Legislature's most powerful
leaders is trying to kill a tax break bill that could stop Intel Corp. from opening a $1.5 billion computer chip plant in
Colorado Springs. Senate President Ray Powers, R-Colorado Springs, said he plans to assign the bill, which
would weaken tax breaks for businesses such as Intel, to a committee where he hopes it will die. On Wednesday
the House approved Bill 1349, sponsored by Rep. Todd Saliman, D-Boulder, in a 48-17 vote. It now moves on to
the Senate. … Despite Powers determination to kill the bill, its death is not assured. The bill will be considered by
the State, Veterans and Military Affairs Committee, traditionally a conservative panel favoring strict state spending
limits. Three of the nine committee members, Sen. Mark Hillman, R-Burlington, Sen. MaryAnne Tebedo, R-
Colorado Springs, and Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, are likely to oppose the plan. But Powers still
needs to get two more votes to stop the plan. 'I'm lobbying my fellow committee members hard,' Lamborn said.
'I'm trying to do everything in my power to slow down and kill this bill.'” (“Senate President Aiming To Save $18.4 Million
Tax Breaks For Intel,” The Associated Press, 2/24/00)

Lamborn Sponsored Legislation To Give More Oversight To Pre-Paid Tuition Program. “A sweeping reform
of the Colorado Prepaid Tuition Fund designed to restore public confidence in the college savings program is on
its way to the full Senate. The Senate's State, Veterans and Military Affairs Committee voted 8-1 Wednesday to
approve a plan that would rebuild the program by giving it new management, tight oversight and strict rules governing disclosure. There was little debate over Senate Bill 164, which was brokered by several high-ranking state officials, including Gov. Bill Owens. And there was no testimony from the individuals who have invested at least $100 million in the fund on behalf of 11,000 young people. ‘I feel like the program will now be on sounder footing,’ said Sen. Doug Lamborn, who is sponsoring the bill along with Rep. Andy McElhany, both Colorado Springs Republicans. ‘It will still be up to Colorado parents to decide if this is the best option for their children, but they’ll do that with solid information now.’” (“Prepaid Tuition Bill On Way To Senate,” The Associated Press, 3/2/00)

**Lamborn Wanted More Restrictions Placed On Library Grant Legislation.** “The Senate has given initial approval to a bill that would provide $2 million in grants to libraries around the state, along with a requirement that access to obscene material be restricted. Sen. Gigi Dennis, R-Pueblo West, said the grants approved Wednesday would help small libraries acquire audio and large print books, along with computer equipment that will help rural areas move into the Internet age. Several senators objected to Senate Bill 85, some saying it did not go far enough and others who said it goes too far. ‘I don't trust the librarians, given their historic opposition’ to censorship, said Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-COLORADO SPRINGS. He said librarians who want to get around the restrictions could simply post a sign warning minors. Lamborn also said the state should not be giving grants to taxing authorities. He said if libraries want computers, they should let the voters decide.” (Steven Paulson, “Senate Gives Tentative Approval For Library Grants,” The Associated Press, 4/5/00)

**Lamborn Opposed Monorail Funding.** “Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-COLORADO SPRINGS, said it did not make sense to commit $100 million to untested technology. He compared it to the troubles with the untested automated baggage system at Denver International Airport, which failed to work.” (Steve Paulson, “Senate Gives Final Approval To Vote On Monorail,” The Associated Press, 4/19/00)

**Lamborn Opposed Powerball Lottery.** “Colorado lawmakers agreed Monday to ask voters to add Powerball and other multistate lotteries to games the state Lottery Commission may authorize. The Senate voted 21-14 to go along with the House version of SB84 by Sen. Ken Chlouber, R-LEADVILLE, and Rep. Nancy Spence, R-AURORA. … ‘This is a huge expansion of gambling,’ warned Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-COLORADO SPRINGS. ‘Relying on gambling for government programs, I think, is wrong.’” (Tom McAvoy, “Colorado Voters To Decide On Powerball, Other Multistate Lotteries,” The Pueblo Chieftain, 5/2/00)

**Lamborn Succeeded In Getting A Number Of Pieces Of Legislation To Governor’s Desk.** “Lamborn was the second in command as Senate president pro tem. Attendance: One excused absence. Bills sponsored: SB6: Required local governments to ask voters every four years for permission to keep surplus tax revenue. (Killed) SB11: Extends the life of a driver’s licenses from five to 10 years. (On governor's desk) SB121: Requires DNA testing of convicted felons already in prison. (On governor’s desk) SB164: Places the Colorado Student Obligation Bond Authority under the control of the state Department of Education, gives it new management and requires greater disclosure of risks and returns. (On governor's desk) SB209: Expands investment options for cities, counties and special district pension plans. (On governor’s desk)” (“Lawmakers 2000,” The Gazette, 5/3/00)

**Lamborn Received Highest Rating From Colorado Union Of Taxpayers.** “The Colorado Union of Taxpayers has given legislators a grade of "C" this year, despite tax cuts totaling $385 million. … In the Senate, Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-COLORADO SPRINGS, got the highest rating at 88 percent while Sen. Gloria Tanner, D-DENVER, scored the lowest with 21.” (“Tax Group Gives Legislators A 'C',' The Associated Press, 9/14/00)

**Lamborn Was Lone Senator To Vote Against Energy Subsidy To Low-Income Families.** “State lawmakers are racing to provide $10 million in energy subsidies to Colorado's low-income families as the coldest winter in years and soaring natural gas prices spur demand for help. On Tuesday, the Senate sent House Bill 1107 through two committees and gave it preliminary approval with a voice vote on the Senate floor. It is expected to get final
approval today, pumping $10 million into the Low-income Energy Assistance Program. … Under HB1107, a family of four earning less than $31,500 a year would qualify for help from LEAP, as would an older couple making less than $20,800 a year. If passed, as many as 70,000 people throughout the state would benefit from the assistance. … Not everyone supports the move. Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, believes HB1107 is unnecessary, pointing out that last year lawmakers raised the threshold for LEAP eligibility. He cast the only votes against the bill Tuesday, twice opposing it as it moved through the committee process.” (Kyle Henley, “Senate OKs Energy Subsidy,” The Gazette, 1/17/00)

**Lamborn Sponsored Partial-Birth Abortion Bill For Fourth Time.** “Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, is sponsoring Senate Bill 87, which would prohibit a doctor from performing an abortion after the first 19 weeks of pregnancy unless the mother's life is in danger. Doctors who violate the ban would be charged with a misdemeanor, carrying a 30-day mandatory jail sentence for the first offense and a mandatory 90-day sentence for a second offense. It is the fourth time Lamborn has carried such a bill.” ("Under The Dome," The Gazette, 1/18/01)

**NOTE:** “A Bill From Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, That Would Ban Late-Term Abortions Was Rejected In Committee Wednesday.” ("Under The Dome," The Gazette, 2/15/01)

**Lamborn Voiced Opposition To Bill Requiring At Least 50 Percent Of Total Contributions Come From Individuals And Political Parties Rather Than PACs.** “An effort to return to old-fashioned campaign fund-raising - from voters rather than special-interest groups - passed the Senate on Friday in a watered-down form. Senate Bill 136 by Sen. Ken Gordon, D-Denver, would require that at least 50 percent of total contributions during an election cycle come from individuals or political parties. … Gordon said he wants candidates to raise money from 'natural human beings rather than from PACs, unions or corporations; otherwise you have split loyalties.' Several Republican lawmakers spoke against the bill, including Sen. Andy McElhany of Colorado Springs, who said a high percentage of money comes from political action committees because they're the ones who take interest in the ballot. Another Colorado Springs Republican, Sen. Doug Lamborn, said the bill would force contributors to give their money to secret 'education' funds that go unregulated, leaving less accountability.” ("Under The Dome," The Denver Post, 2/17/01)

**Lamborn Opposed Liquor Tasting Legislation.** “The bill allows liquor stores to offer tastings 104 days out of the year, but no more than four samplings a week. On any given day, a store could serve either wine or beer or hard liquor but not all three on the same day. Each person would be allowed to have four samples. Tastings of beer and wine would be served by the ounce, but hard liquor would be restricted to one-quarter ounce. Only Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, spoke against the bill during floor debate. 'I think it does promote drinking, and drinking and driving,' Lamborn said. 'There's nothing to prevent people from going from one liquor store to the next.'” (Julia C. Martinez, “Liquor-Tastings Measure Headed To Owens' Desk,” The Denver Post, 3/6/01)


**Lamborn Attempted To Defund Planned Parenthood In Colorado.** “Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, lost his bid to eliminate $ 363,805 funding for Planned Parenthood of the Rocky Mountains for family planning. ‘They also provide abortions, and I think that's wrong,’ Lamborn said, noting that the Colorado Constitution forbids direct or indirect public funding of abortions.” (Tom McAvoy, “Colorado's Budget Given Approval By Senate,” The Pueblo Chieftain, 4/5/01)
“Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, Wants To Designate A Section Of I-25 Between The Southern And Northern Borders Of El Paso County As ‘Ronald Reagan Highway.’” (“Senate OKs $1,500 Student Teacher Stipend,” The Gazette, 4/13/01)

Lamborn Opposed Hate Crime Legislation. “A bill that would make ethnic intimidation a hate crime was approved Tuesday by the state Senate. Members approved Senate Bill 75 with a 20-15 vote. Local Sens. Mary Ellen Epps, Doug Lamborn, Ron May, Andy McElhany and Mark Hillman, all Republicans, voted against the bill. Under the bill, anyone who commits a crime against a person because of their physical or mental disability, age, sexual orientation, race or gender identity would face stiffer criminal penalties.” (“Under The Dome,” The Gazette, 4/18/01)

Lamborn Opposed Investment Tax Credit For Start-Up Companies. “A bill aimed at increasing investment in Colorado start-up companies advanced Wednesday in the Senate. The Senate Business, Labor and Finance Committee approved House Bill 1090 by a 5-2 vote. Sens. Doug Lamborn and Andy McElhany, both Colorado Springs Republicans, voted against the measure. HB1090 would give insurance companies a $200 million tax credit - spread over 12 years - for investing in up-and-coming small businesses in Colorado.” (“Under The Dome,” The Gazette, 4/19/01)

Lamborn Voted Against Restrictions On Medical Marijuana Bill; Some Republicans Felt The Bill Gave Credibility To Medical Marijuana Concept. “Some El Paso County lawmakers were uncomfortable with a bill to place restrictions on the use of medical marijuana, which passed in the state Senate ‘The bill is not that bad; it is the concept more than anything,’ said Sen. Andy McElhany, R-Colorado Springs, who voted against House Bill 1371. ‘By passing this bill, we lend credibility to the concept of medical marijuana. I don't think there is any such thing as medical marijuana.’ The bill was approved Monday on a 21-12 vote. Also voting against it were Colorado Springs Republican Sens. Ron May and Doug Lamborn and Sen. Mark Hillman, R-Burlington. The bill must go back to the House for consideration of minor changes made in the Senate. If the House agrees to the changes, it will go to Gov. Bill Owens to either sign or veto. The governor likely will sign the bill because it is supported by the Department of Human Services and deals with a constitutional amendment, said Dick Wadhams, a spokesman for Owens 'It is necessary for implementing what the voters decided,' Wadhams said. The bill is a response to Amendment 20 to the state constitution. The amendment, approved by voters in November, allows people to start smoking marijuana June 1 for medical purposes, such as to ease the effects of cancer treatments.” (Kyle Henley, “Senate OKs Marijuana Restrictions; Some County Republicans Are Uncomfortable With Drug Bill,” The Gazette, 4/24/01)

Lamborn Voted Against Giving Child Tax Credit To Foster Parents. “Foster parents would get a $500 per child state income tax credit under a bill approved by the state Senate on Tuesday. House Bill 1313 was approved on a 26-9 vote. Sen. Mark Hillman, R- Burlington, and Colorado Springs Republican Sens. Mary Ellen Epps, Ron May, Andy McElhany and Doug Lamborn voted against the bill.” (“Under The Dome,” The Gazette, 5/2/01)

Lamborn Had At Least 2 Bills Signed By Governor In 2001. “Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs. SB20 - Requires the Division of Banking to create controls to accurately identify public depository accounts, and repeals requiring all banking systems to use a numbering system to track accounts. STATUS: Signed by governor. SB53 - Expands the scope and coverage of article 9 of the state commercial code. STATUS: Killed. SB087 - Bans late-term abortions when two doctors declare a fetus viable. If the pregnancy threatens a woman's life and/or health, or the unborn fetus is declared not viable after the first 19 weeks, a late-term abortion would be allowed. STATUS: Killed. SB155 - Specifies how counties could use sales tax and other tax revenues dedicated to the capital improvement fund. STATUS: Signed by governor. SB167 - Requires regular special district elections to be held as part of the state general election in even-numbered years. STATUS: Killed.” (Status Of Bills By Members Of The Pikes Peak Delegation, The Gazette, 5/6/01)


2002-2003:

Lamborn Received Free Trip To Israel In 2001; Claimed It As Lobbyist Gift. “How much - and what - did El Paso County legislators claim as free gifts? Rep. Doug Dean tops the list with $9,778 in free tickets and trips. Sen. Doug Lamborn is a distant second with gifts worth $1,850. ... Last week, lawmakers had to disclose the gifts they'd received from lobbyists during the past year. A look at what El Paso County legislators claimed: Sen. Doug Lamborn - $1,850: Trip to Israel....” (Kyle Henley, “Legislators Accept Lots Of Freebies/ Lobbyists Bestow Free Tickets, Trips That Can Add Up To Thousands Of Dollars,” The Gazette, 1/20/02)

Lamborn Wrote Op-Ed On Israel. “Along with other legislators, I was recently invited to visit Israel, by the Allied Jewish Federation of Denver, without taxpayer expense. The experience was not just eye-opening, it was life-changing. We received a comprehensive and balanced overview of Israel's security, commerce, military, agriculture, social services, and politics. The biggest question I kept coming back to, though, was how close should America be to Israel?” (Doug Lamborn, Op-Ed, “Visit To Israel Shows Why We Should Be Allies,” The Gazette, 1/25/02)

- Lamborn: “There are many reasons why America should strongly support Israel. It is a democracy in a region with much too little freedom. Although I hope this changes soon, the sad reality is that Muslim countries make up the great majority of repressive countries in today's world. The latest annual survey by Freedom House ranks the 47 Muslim countries as including 28 dictatorships. A democratic country, such as Israel, is much more willing to cooperate with America's security and other vital interests. Another reason America should support Israel is humanitarian. As our visit to Yad Vashem, like our own Holocaust Museum, made abundantly clear, Jews have faced historical enmity that many of us can only dimly imagine. Israel, as the only Jewish nation in the world, must remain as a beacon of hope and refuge no matter what threats may arise against Jews in the future. We in America would renounce our own humanity were we ever to deny help and support to Israel. Yet another reason America should support Israel is to prove to the world America's loyalty and commitment to its friends. To abandon long-standing friends is a sign of weakness that can only lead to greater problems in the future.” (Doug Lamborn, Op-Ed, “Visit To Israel Shows Why We Should Be Allies,” The Gazette, 1/25/02)

“And A Bill By Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, Will Require The Department Of Human Services To Determine How Many Chronic Gamblers And Lottery Players There Are In The State And To Help Them. SB 88 Would Set Up A Telephone Hotline And A Counseling Program Using State Gambling Revenues, Now Devoted To Other Programs, As Well As Private Donations.” (Julia C. Martinez, “Legislators Face Inmate Rights, Judge Reviews, Patriotism,” The Denver Post, 2/3/02)

Lamborn Opposed Bill Against Political Falsehoods. “The Senate approved a measure Tuesday to make ‘reckless’ political statements a crime, over objections it violates the First Amendment. Senate Bill 95 expands the existing election offense governing false statements, which prohibits knowingly making a false statement. The bill would prohibit any person from recklessly making, publishing, or circulating a false statement designed to affect a vote. Reckless is defined as conscious disregard of the truth. Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, said the bill ignores broadcast statements. ‘It’s the broadcast statements, if anything, where you need protection,’ he told the Senate. Lamborn said if someone makes a reckless, false statement, others can sue, and he saw no reason to make it a crime.” (“Senate Votes To Make Crime Of False Political Statements,” The Associated Press, 2/12/02)


Lamborn Seemed To Oppose Bill Cracking Down On Predatory Lending. “Marshall said her bill provides for state attorney general enforcement of anti-fraud laws by specifically adding predatory lending as a prohibited activity. ‘We already have some very strong anti-fraud laws on the books,’ Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, said against Linkhart’s bill, which doesn’t fund state enforcement. ‘We should be enforcing those.’ Linkhart replied that, as hard as it may seem, most of the lending practices he feels are predatory currently are legal.” (Tom McAvoy, “Colorado Senate, House Bills Target Predatory Lenders,” The Pueblo Chieftain, 3/28/02)

Lamborn Voted Against Equal Pay. “The state Senate Tuesday passed a resolution supporting equal pay after some female workers said the pay gap between men and women lingers despite federal laws that require equal salaries for equal work. … Eight male Republican senators voted against Senate Resolution 12, blaming the gap on flawed statistics from the 2000 census that they said do not reflect hours worked or experience. ‘Give me a single example in Colorado where men and women doing equal work are not getting equal pay. I will go with you to federal authorities,’ said Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, who voted against it.” (Steven Paulson, “Women Say Pay Gap Still Not Closed,” The Associated Press, 4/16/02)


Lamborn Won Re-Election Against Libertarian Candidate With Over 80% Of Vote. “x-Doug Lamborn, GOP (i) 31,678 - 83 percent. Jessica Wheeler, Lib 6,546 - 17 percent” (The Associated Press, 11/7/02)

“In The State Senate, Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, Was Chosen As Caucus Chairman.” (Kyle Henley, “First Female House Speaker Chosen,” The Gazette, 11/8/02)


Colorado Springs Independent Noted Lamborn Voting Patterns And Contributions To His Campaign. “In 2001, Doug Lamborn voted against Senate Bill 148, a growth-control bill opposed by real-estate and construction interests, which turned around and contributed at least $4,200 to his re-election effort last fall. Lamborn also accepted at least $2,250 from the financial-services sector, including $500 from mortgage-lending company Household International. Household has been the target of a nationwide campaign to stop so-called "predatory lending" -- the practice of charging unusually high interest rates and fees on loans marketed primarily to low-income and minority borrowers. Last year, Lamborn voted against a bill designed to curb predatory lending. Having proposed a bill in 2000 to eliminate sales taxes on telephone service, Lamborn also received $1,000 from the telecom industry.” (The Best Politicians Money Can Buy: Special-Interest Pacs Dominate Local Campaign Contributions, Colorado Springs Independent, 1/8/03)

The Denver Post: “And once again, we favor the approach taken by Sen. Ken Chlouber's SB-24, a 'shall-issue' bill that mandates issuing [concealed-carry] permits to applicants who are over 21, pass a criminal background check, complete a certified gun-safety course, and pay a fee of about $100. Sen. Doug Lamborn of Colorado Springs has offered a more liberal bill, but we believe the reasonable safeguards built into the Chlouber bill are essential.” (Editorial, “Pass Concealed-Carry Bill,” The Denver Post, 1/18/03)

“Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, Sponsored Senate Bill 63, Which Doesn't Require Training And Allows Guns In Schools As Long As The Carrier Has No Criminal Intent. It Was Approved 5-1 And Now Goes To The Senate Appropriations Committee.” (Arthur Kane, “Concealed-Carry Bill Clears Senate Hurdle,” The Denver Post, 1/23/03)

- The Denver Post: “Owens has said he'll veto any concealed-carry bill that doesn't specifically exclude schools from the places where a permit-holder may take a weapon, and we strongly agree with him. Unless Lamborn knows something we don't, his concealed-carry bill is destined to be vetoed - as it should be - if it ever reaches the governor's desk.” (Editorial, “Ready, Aim, Veto,” The Denver Post, 1/20/03)

Lamborn: “I Have Never Supported A Taxing Authority Because That's A New Source Of Taxing...I Want No Part Of Creating Something That Will Levy More Taxes.” (Julia C. Martinez, “New Tax Proposed For Three Counties Funding Sought For Mental Health,” The Denver Post, 2/7/03)

Lamborn Supported Move To Close Office Of Consumer Council, Which Helps Protect Consumers Against Unfair Electronic And Telephone Rate Increases. “A state lawmaker wants to close a government office that protects consumers from unfair electric and telephone rate increases. Sen. Ken Chlouber, R-Leadville, said to save money he wants to close the Office of Consumer Counsel, which costs the state about $1.2 million a year. The state needs to cut about $870 million from the 2003-04 budget. …Two members of the El Paso County Senate delegation backed Chlouber. Sens. Ron May and Doug Lamborn, both Colorado Springs Republicans, voted for the measure in committee. 'I'm not unhappy with the Office of Consumer Council, but with $900 million
we have to cut out of next year’s budget to balance the books, I feel like we have to look at things like this,’ Lamborn said.” (Kyle Henley, “Bill Would Shut Down State Consumer Protection Office/ Agency That Opposes Rate Hikes Costs $1.2 Million A Year,” The Gazette, 2/27/03)


“Senate Sponsor Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, Said Mail Ballots Have Too Much Potential For Fraud. ‘There Are Just Not Enough Controls In The Current System, And People Have Ended Up With Multiple Ballots. That’s Unacceptable,’ Lamborn Said.” (“Democrats Oppose Attempt To Dismantle Mail Ballots,” The Associated Press, 3/24/03)

Lamborn Defended Fees Over Tax Increases. “A tax increase is borne by everybody, whereas a fee increase is borne only by those using the service,’ said Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs. ‘If it’s a legitimate cost connected with providing the service, then it’s better that the user pays than everyone pays.’” (“Proposed Fee Hikes Could Replace Tax Increases,” The Associated Press, 4/21/03)

Lamborn Supported No-Fault Insurance. “Thirty-seven other states operate under tort systems, all with insurance rates lower than Colorado’s. Studies predict Colorado rates would drop more than 30 percent under a tort system. Under no-fault, auto insurance companies pay the claims of their clients no matter who is at fault in an accident. All policies include about $130,000 for medical treatment, covering everything from aromatherapy to surgery. The no-fault concept was approved in the early 1970s to reduce the number of accident-related lawsuits. Lamborn is one of those committed to preserving no-fault. ‘Premiums will go down and rates will go down in the short run,’ Lamborn said. ‘But the minute they are in an accident, they are not going to be happy because the insurance is not going to be as good as what they have now.’” (Kyle Henley, “Insurance Reform A Contentious Task,” The Gazette, 4/30/03)

Lamborn On TABOR: “I don't want to do anything to weaken TABOR,’ Lamborn said. ‘If there is any kind of major change, I'd be surprised if it can get a two-thirds vote.” (Kyle Henley, “Tweaking TABOR Appears Unlikely,” The Gazette, 9/22/03)

Lamborn Received High Grade From Colorado Union Of Taxpayers. “Although the Colorado Union of Taxpayers (CUT) gave the state legislature a C-minus grade Tuesday for its efforts on behalf of protecting Colorado taxpayers,’ many lawmakers and the governor actually received failing individual grades. …The highest grades in the Senate were 59.09 percent each, by Republican Sens. Doug Lamborn and Andy McElhany, both of Colorado Springs. Reps. Bill Cadman of Colorado Springs and Kevin Lundberg of Berthoud, both Republicans, tied for the highest score in the House - 87.5 percent.” (Kit Minicier, “Taxpayer Group Gives Lawmakers Low Grades,” The Denver Post, 10/1/03)

2004-2005:

Lamborn Voiced Support For Term Limits For Judges. “I’ve been wanting to see more accountability for judiciary for a long time, way before these cases happened,’ Lamborn said. ‘If term limits are good enough for legislative and executive branches, then why aren’t they good enough for the judicial branch?’” (Kyle Henley, “GOP Calls It Judicial Reform; Democrats Say It’s Revenge,” The Gazette, 1/6/04)
The Gazette Commented On Lamborn’s Inflation Adjustment For Malpractice Suits. “SB-166 would seek an ‘inflation adjustment’ to the cap on overall malpractice damages — raising it to about $2 million. The effect could get malpractice premiums climbing upward once again, potentially affecting the costs and availability of health care for Coloradans. We’re not sure what prompted normally sensible state Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, to introduce this bill. But we urge his peers in the Legislature to think twice before muddling the medical marketplace with this measure.” (“The Numbers Racket Bush’s ‘Bare Bones’ Budget Too Little, Too Late,” The Gazette, 2/4/04)


Lamborn Co-Sponsored Bill To Phase Out Tax On Manufacturing Tools; Noted Tough Year To Pass Legislation. “With lawmakers struggling to find money for higher education, prisons and health care programs because of a lingering revenue shortfall, most proponents of cutting the manufacturing tax concede it will have to wait. As such, Senate Bill 1, which would phase out the tax, likely will die on the legislative vine. ‘This is a bad year to pass it,’ said Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, co-sponsor of the bill, which has been on the Senate calendar awaiting a vote for more than a week.” (Kyle Henley, “Senate Lacks Votes To End Tax On Manufacturing Tools,” The Gazette, 2/13/04)


Lamborn Amendment Threatened Energy Measure Designed To Require Xcel Energy And Aquila Inc To Obtain More Of Their Power From Renewable Sources. “State senators battled Wednesday over an ambitious plan to require the state’s two investor-owned utilities, Xcel Energy and Aquila Inc., to obtain 15 percent of their power from renewable sources by 2020. Opponents argued that wind, solar and most other renewable energy sources are unreliable and that a proposed law would drive up consumer costs. Supporters said Colorado needs more non-polluting sources of energy. … Supporters left the chamber fearing that House Bill 1273 might be in jeopardy after Sen. Doug Lamborn, who opposes the measure, succeeded in tacking on an amendment that would allow the utilities to generate an unlimited amount of hydroelectric renewable energy. ‘It eliminates the guts of the bill,’ said Susan LeFever, director of the Sierra Club’s Rocky Mountain chapter. ‘The idea is to have a mix of different renewable sources. By putting on this amendment for unlimited hydroelectricity, basically that would be all there is. They would meet the standard set out in the bill, and there would be no need to create new wind, new biomass, new solar and other types of renewable energy.’” (Julia C. Martinez, “Renewable-Energy Measure Imperiled,” The Denver Post, 3/25/04)

Checks To Spouses Who Quit Their Jobs And Move To Follow Loved Ones In The Military Who've Been Transferred.” (Colleen Slevin, “State Lawmakers Keep Focus On Spending Limits,” The Associated Press, 4/11/04)


Lamborn Supported Selling Bonds To Collect Tobacco Company Receipts. “A bill to sell bonds to collect the state's expected receipts from tobacco companies squeaked through the Colorado Senate on Friday. Senators voted 18-17 to 'securitize' the revenue the state expects to collect from tobacco companies over the next 30 years. By selling bonds backed by tobacco revenues, the state would raise as much as $900 million in a lump sum. 'We need to take the money and run,' said Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, during the debate. 'That's just a fact of life.'” (Mark P. Couch, “Senate Votes To Cash In On Tobacco Settlement,” The Denver Post, 5/2/04)

Lamborn Had One Of Highest Ratings From Colorado Union Of Taxpayers. “The Colorado Union of Taxpayers criticizes both Republicans and Democrats in its annual scorecard of state lawmakers for failing to cut spending and reduce taxes. … Two House members - Bill Cadman, R-Colorado Springs, and Kevin Lundberg, R-Berthoud - qualified as Taxpayer Champions but no senators made the grade, a designation requiring a score of 75 percent or more. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, scored the highest in the Senate with 57 percent.” (“Anti-Tax Group Criticizes Colorado Legislators,” The Associated Press, 9/25/04)

Lamborn Voted Against Measure To Give Health Care To Legal Immigrants. “The Colorado Senate voted 30-5 Monday to approve a $5 million measure that reinstates health insurance coverage for legal immigrants. State lawmakers suspended Medicaid coverage for legal immigrants several years ago during a budget crunch and are using the proceeds from a new $175 million-a-year cigarette tax to revive the program. House Bill 1086 was changed in the Senate and must return to the House for consideration. The House can approve the changes -- sending the bill to the governor to sign or veto -- or request that a conference committee hash out the two versions of the measure. Sens. Andy McElhany, Ron May and Doug Lamborn, all Republicans from Colorado Springs, voted against the bill.” (“Under The Dome,” The Gazette, 1/25/05)

Lamborn Opposed Limiting Cash Contributions To Politicians To Help Cover Office Expenses. “Months after blaming a campaign finance loophole for losses in some key legislative races, Republicans lined up Monday against a measure to limit the amount of money state lawmakers can raise to help cover office expenses. Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, said last fall’s elections, both in Colorado and nationally, showed that clever lawyers will always find a way around laws intended to regulate how much money flows into politics.” (Colleen Slevin, “Republicans Line Up Against Limits On Cash Donations,” The Associated Press, 2/14/05)

- “Lamborn Said It Would Be Better To Let Lawmakers Take In Unlimited Amounts Of Money And Let Voters Oust Any Representative They Believe Is Being Influenced By Those Donations.” (Colleen Slevin, “Republicans Line Up Against Limits On Cash Donations,” The Associated Press, 2/14/05)

Lamborn Criticized Bill Limiting Homeowner’s Associations’ Rights. “A bill aimed at limiting the powers of homeowners associations was approved in a Senate committee Tuesday -- after being heavily amended. Members of the Senate State, Veterans and Military Affairs Committee passed Senate Bill 100 after it was given a makeover. It now advances to the Senate floor. The measure springs from the belief that homeowners associations have used covenants to block watering landscaping and even have restricted some members from displaying the U.S. flag. Critics say it’s up to individuals to decide whether they should buy homes in areas that have such rules. 'I'm amazed by the level of micro-management being taken on by this bill,' said Sen. Doug
Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs. ‘I’m wondering if we’ve gone too far with this.’” (Kim Nguyen, “Association Bill Altered Senate Panel Oks Tighter Curbs On Homeowner Groups,” The Gazette, 2/16/05)

**Colorado Springs Independent** Noted Lamborn’s Trips Paid For By Others; Including Taiwan Trip With Wife Paid For By Republic Of China. “Rep. Mark Cloer, for example, reported accepting two meals worth $126.40 while Rep. Keith King received more than three times the average, taking $3,767 in gifts, including a trip to Taiwan paid for by the Republic of China….The trip to Taiwan, he added, was part of a Republican leadership trade mission attended by several other lawmakers. Republican Doug Lamborn, former Senate majority caucus chairman, was among those on the trip. He brought his wife, Jeanie, according to disclosure forms. The senator also took two other trips - one to Canada sponsored by Suncor Energy, which is developing a large oil field in Canada, and another to Washington, D.C., to ‘review legislation’ courtesy of Americans for Tax Reform, an anti-tax group.” (“Perks Of The Job; State Lawmakers Accept Gifts From Lobbyists, Ardently Defend Practice,” Colorado Springs Independent, 2/17/05)

**Lamborn Opposed No Smoking Measure.** “The Colorado Clean Indoor Air Act would ban smoking indoors. Exemptions would be granted to private homes, personal cars (not if the vehicle is used to transport children), 25 percent of the rooms at a hotel and tobacco shops. … Most Republicans and a handful of Democrats are opposed to it. ‘It's a property rights issue,’ said Sen. Doug Lamborn, R- Colorado Springs. ‘People should be able to do with their own property or their own business what they want to.’” (Kyle Henley, “Bill Banning Indoor Smoking Appears Dead With The Senate Nearly Split, GOP Opposition Stalls Measure; Ballot Drive Urged,” The Gazette, 3/31/05)

“The Budget, Senate Bill 209, Passed The Senate On A 26-9 Vote…All Members Of El Paso County’s Senate Delegation Voted Against The Annual Spending Package. ‘This Budget Is The Biggest In Colorado History,’ Said Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs. ‘I Just Don't See How We Can Go To Voters In November And Say We Are In A Fiscal Crisis When We Raise Our Budget.’” (Kyle Henley, “Senate Gives Final Approval To Budget,” The Gazette, 4/8/05)

**Lamborn Wanted Amendment On Cross-Dressing Teachers For Sexual Orientation Discrimination Bill.** “After hours of emotional debate, the Colorado Senate on Wednesday approved a bill that would protect gays and lesbians from workplace discrimination. Senate Bill 28 adds sexual orientation to the factors that Colorado employers cannot consider when making hiring, firing and promotion decisions. … Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, wanted to amend the bill so that school districts could adopt rules that would prevent cross-dressing teachers, but Democratic leaders used their clout to block a vote on the matter. ‘For them to not be willing to go on the record is cowardice,’ Lamborn said.” (Mark P. Couch, “Anti-Gay Hiring Practices Targeted,” The Denver Post, 4/21/05)

**Lamborn Record In 2005:** “Lamborn Sponsored 10 Bills -- Five House Bills And Five Senate Bills --But Saw Most Get Defeated. He Managed To Pass Only Three Bills.” (Kyle Henley, “Suddenly The Minority El Paso County's Mostly GOP Legislators Still Had A Productive Session,” The Gazette, 5/15/05)


**News Reports Of Lamborn’s Interest In Congressional Seat.** “At least six other Republicans have acknowledged interest in the seat if Hefley doesn’t seek re-election: state Sen. Doug Lamborn; evangelical pastor Ted Haggard; Colorado Springs Mayor Lionel Rivera; Colorado Springs City Councilman Darryl Glenn; local party activist Jeff Crank; and El Paso County Commissioner Wayne Williams.” (Ed Sealover, “Former Sheriff Considers Campaign For Hefley Seat,” The Gazette, 8/16/05)
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Lamborn Criticized Domestic Partnership Proposal. "Colorado voters could decide whether gay couples should have the same legal rights as married couples under a proposal that will be introduced today in the General Assembly. Rather than calling it same sex marriage, the backers of the proposed referendum are touting it as the Colorado Domestic Partnership Act. ‘Anyone who votes for that, Democrat or not, is going to have a real problem getting reelected in many parts of Colorado,’ said Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs. ‘It goes against the traditional view of marriage in Western civilization, which is one man and one woman.’" (Kyle Henley, "Plan Gives Gay Couples Legal Rights," The Gazette, 1/17/06)

The Gazette Praised Lamborn’s Bill That Would Help Ensure Lawmakers Didn’t Skirt Tax Increase Rules By Defining Fees. "State Sen. Doug Lamborn has a gem of a bill, SB-156, that gets a hearing today before the Local Government Committee. It would prevent elected officials from skirting the state constitution and avoiding a vote of the people on tax increases by calling new charges ‘fees.’ Although largely unheralded, this is a potentially breakthrough bill in terms of bringing some closure to the endless debate about what constitutes a tax and what constitutes a fee. And that has significant implications for the taxpayers, which is cut out of the decision-making process by politicians engaged in semantic gymnastics. ‘SB-156 helps to more clearly draw the distinction between a tax and a fee, making it difficult for area governments, like the city of Colorado Springs, to avoid a vote on a tax increase by calling it a fee,’ Lamborn told us. … So how does the bill define a fee? It is a ‘charge for a service that is not ordinarily provided by government activity.’ It is a charge for a service ‘that directly benefits the user.’ There must be ‘a reasonable relationship between the charge and the cost of the service,’ according to the bill (we would replace the waffle word ‘reasonable’ with ‘definite and direct.’) If the assessment doesn’t meet these criteria, it is a tax that must be put to a vote." (Editorial, "A Defining Moment Measure Would Help Close Linguistic Loophole," The Gazette, 2/16/06)

"State Sen. Doug Lamborn And Former Administrative Director For Hefley Jeff Crank Told The Gazette They're Running [For Congress], Though They Said They Will Wait To Make An Official Announcement.” ("Republicans Announce Bid To Replace Retiring Hefley," The Associated Press, 2/21/06)

- Lamborn Touted Conservative Voting Record, Tax Reduction And Anti-Abortion Legislation.
  "Lamborn, a 51-year-old attorney, contrasted that with his conservative voting record during four years in the state House and eight in the state Senate. He was the Senate sponsor of a $1 billion income tax reduction in 1999 and has sponsored more anti-abortion bills than anyone in the Legislature, he said. ‘We need to send a true conservative, a Reagan conservative to Washington,’ he said. ‘I don’t see anyone else out there with a proven track record like me.’" (Ed Sealover, "2 GOP Hopefuls To Join House Race Lamborn, Crank Tout Conservative Credentials," The Gazette, 2/21/06)

“Lamborn Said Thursday He Has The Backing Of Republican Sens. Lewis Entz And Tom Wiens And GOP Representatives Mark Cloer, Dave Schultheis And Jim Sullivan.” ("On The Stump," The Gazette, 2/24/06)

“State Sen. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, Did Not Return Calls. Last Year, Lamborn Accepted $341 In Gifts From Special Interests At The Legislature, Including A Round Of Golf And Breakfast From Xcel Energy.” (“Restraining Order,” Colorado Springs Independent, 3/16/06)

“Lamborn, A State Senator Representing Northern Colorado Springs, Received Endorsements From Wayne Williams And Douglas Bruce, The Author Of The Taxpayer's Bill Of Rights.” (“On The Stump,” The Gazette, 3/19/06)

At Forum, Candidates For Congress All Said They Would Outlaw Abortion. “All four of the announced Republican congressional candidates are avidly anti-abortion, and a forum Saturday showed little difference between their stances. Former El Paso County Sheriff John Anderson, former El Paso County Commissioner Duncan Bremer, former Greater Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce vice president Jeff Crank and state Sen. Doug Lamborn spoke at First Presbyterian Church. They also took questions from an audience of about 100 at an event sponsored by Colorado Springs Right to Life. Each of the men looking to succeed retiring Rep. Joel Hefley vowed to vote to make abortion illegal.” (Ed Sealover, “4 GOP Congressional Hopefuls Would Vote To Outlaw Abortion,” The Gazette, 3/19/06)

After Hefley Support Of Crank, Lamborn Downplayed Endorsement, Stressed Record, And Said “Jeff Crank Has Never Cast A Vote As An Elected Official.” “Lamborn also played down Hefley's endorsement. 'The people of the district are too independent for someone to tell them who's going to be their next congressman,' Lamborn said. 'It's important to have someone with a record because you'll know exactly what they're going to do at the next level. Jeff Crank has never cast a vote as an elected official.'” (Dennis Huspeni, “Rivera’s Sights On Congress Republican Planning To Seek Hefley's Seat,” The Gazette, 3/21/06)

Lamborn Signed Taxpayer Protection Pledge. “Sen. Doug Lamborn, Rrado Springs, this week became the second congressional candidate to sign Americans for Tax Reform's Taxpayer Protection Pledge. The pledge commits candidates to oppose income-tax rate increases and any reduction or elimination of tax deductions unless offset by further reducing tax rates. Former Greater Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce Vice President Jeff Crank was the first candidate to sign the pledge this season. But Lamborn's campaign pointed out that he has inked the promise for the past 12 years as a legislator -- and has never supported a tax increase. ‘This is something Doug has done for 13 straight years,’ campaign manager Jon Hotaling said. ‘Not only has he signed it, he has lived by it.’” (“On The Stump,” The Gazette, 3/25/06)

Crank Accused Lamborn Of Negative Campaigning; Lamborn Said It Was From Supporters He Couldn’t Control. “Republican congressional candidate Jeff Crank on Friday accused party rival Doug Lamborn of negative campaigning, including targeting Crank's kids in attacking him. Lamborn's campaign manager said none of the alleged attacks are from the campaign but from supporters it doesn’t control. Crank's backers have gone negative, too, he said.” (Ed Sealover, “Crank Says Opponent Is Attacking Him Lamborn Camp Says Supporters, Not Campaign, To Blame,” The Gazette, 4/1/06)

- Lamborn’s Wife Called Local GOP Matron; Questioned Whether A Man With Two Yong Sons At Home Should Run For Congress. “The incident that most bothered Crank was a phone call from Lamborn's wife, Jean, to Mary Harold, a Crank supporter considered a matron of the local GOP. Jean Lamborn asked Harold if she knew Crank had two young sons at home and questioned whether someone with young children should run for Congress, Harold said. Lamborn campaign manager Jon Hotaling labeled the call a private talk and noted Harold had expressed feelings about people with young kids running for office before.” (Ed Sealover, “Crank Says Opponent Is Attacking Him Lamborn Camp Says Supporters, Not Campaign, To Blame,” The Gazette, 4/1/06)
• **Crank Complained Over E-Mails Targeting Work As Lobbyist.** “Crank also complained about e-mails targeting past decisions and his work as a lobbyist. Hotaling said none of the e-mails and phone calls cited are from campaign workers. He noted Lamborn's phone campaigning script doesn't mention Crank. ‘We don't have control over what people do out there,' Hotaling said. "We can tell them what our preferences are, but that doesn't mean they go out and do it.”” (Ed Sealover, “Crank Says Opponent Is Attacking Him Lamborn Camp Says Supporters, Not Campaign, To Blame,” The Gazette, 4/1/06)

“The Lamborn Frequently Cites The Fact That He Has Sponsored Or Co-Sponsored 15 Anti-Abortion Bills During His 12 Years In The State Legislature, A Record Number In Colorado. Opponents Note Privately, However, That Just Two Of Them Passed.” (Ed Sealover, “GOP House Race Splits Social Conservatives Focus Executives, Congress Members Divided,” The Gazette, 4/3/06)

**Lamborn Seemed Supportive Of Guest Worker Program.** “Most of the five Republicans and two Democrats seeking the open seat favor establishing a guest-worker program. None, however, backs granting amnesty to the roughly 12 million illegal immigrants now in the country. … The only candidate opposed to the guest-worker program was Republican Duncan Bremer, who said that those who want to work in America should become American citizens. Republican Doug Lamborn said a guest-worker program should be decided at a later time so an initial bill isn't so unwieldy.” (Ed Sealover, “Candidates Take On Immigration,” The Gazette, 4/8/06)

**Lamborn Led In Fundraising; Also Loaned His Campaign Money.** “Sen. Doug Lamborn, Rrado Springs, leads in fundraising early in the 5th Congressional District race, taking in more than $71,000 and giving himself a $100,000 loan. … The $71,175 raised by Lamborn tops Crank’s total of more than $62,000. Anderson's 2006 total -- $16,510 -- is the lowest of the campaigns that have released numbers; all reports are due to the Federal Election Commission on Monday. Lamborn's money includes contributions from four cohorts in the General Assembly and three political action committees. Donors include Rep. Marilyn Musgrave, El Paso County Commissioner Douglas Bruce and former Colorado Senate President John Andrews. He received $5,000 from the National Pro-Life Alliance, $2,500 from the National Right to Work Committee and $1,000 from WellPAC, which represents a health care company. Lamborn also became the first candidate to float himself a loan. That pushed his cash on-hand total to $144,130, more than three times that of any other candidate.” (Ed Sealover, “Lamborn Leads In Fundraising,” The Gazette, 4/15/06)


**Opponents Questioned “Facts” In Lamborn’s Attack Mail Piece.** “Less strange was the last minute mail piece sent out by Doug Lamborn that questioned the fiscal conservatism of fellow Republican 5th Congressional District hopefuls. But several opponents charged the information in it was not true. The mailing said Jeff Crank supported a 2003 sales tax increase and organized opposition to a 2002 tax-cut ballot measure. It said John Anderson consistently supported permanent property tax increases. Crank’s alleged sales tax support, though, was a statement in a 2003 article in which he said city and county leaders should take more time to work on a proposed road tax increase, which eventually passed in 2004. The 2002 ‘ballot measure’ referenced was a Douglas Bruce proposal that never made it to the ballot -- and that Crank said he never organized a group to oppose. Anderson was upset because he opposed a number of property tax hikes during his eight years as sheriff. Club for Growth spokesman Chad Kolton noted that he supported public-safety tax hikes in 1995 and 2002. Lamborn campaign manager Jon Hotaling defended the mailing, saying the facts stand on their own.” (“On The Stump,” The Gazette, 5/19/06)

Bremer Attacked Lamborn On Club For Growth Letter; Disputed Facts. “Republican congressional hopeful Duncan Bremer said Tuesday that opponent Doug Lamborn’s campaign has been “hijacked by extremists” and called for an apology for statements Lamborn has made about Bremer’s record. … At issue is a letter from the Club for Growth that went out shortly before last month’s Republican 5th Congressional District Assembly. It endorsed Lamborn, criticized most of the other five Republicans seeking the seat and said Bremer voted for tax hikes three times while on the El Paso County Commission. The letter did not list the three votes and Bremer sought the information from Lamborn, believing he had provided it to the Club for Growth. After three weeks without a response, Bremer assailed both the state senator and the PAC for ‘a blatant falsehood’ and ‘distortions and dishonesty.’ … Club for Growth executive director David Keating said Tuesday that the votes in question were Bremer’s votes to put issues 1A, 1B and 1E on the 1995 ballot. Bremer moved to put the measures, which would have raised property taxes to fund jail expansion, on the ballot, Keating said. The measures failed in the election. Bremer defended his vote, saying he simply was letting county residents decide what they wanted to do. Not putting such questions on a ballot is ‘disrespecting the voters of Colorado,’ he said. Keating called such a defense a ‘cop-out,’ especially since two other members of the commission voted against putting the measures on the ballot. He refused also to retract the group’s endorsement of Lamborn, as Bremer asked.” (Ed Sealover, “Candidate Blasts Rivals In Letter Bremer,” The Gazette, 6/7/06)

Bremer And Crank Teamed Up To Demand Lamborn Documentation Backing Political Attacks; Lamborn Campaign Refused. “In an unusual move, Republican congressional candidates Duncan Bremer and Jeff Crank have teamed up to fight back against opponent Doug Lamborn. The pair wrote a letter to Lamborn this week asking him to ‘correct false information’ they say he has been spreading about their past support for tax hikes. The two have individually made requests to Lamborn before but, like most primary opponents, haven’t worked together to do it. Crank campaign manager Jim Banks said that after Bremer went public last week with a letter to Lamborn, he asked the Bremer campaign to sign a joint request for documentation of his claims. Lamborn campaign manager Jon Hotaling stood by his statements this week, saying everything the campaign has said is true. But he added that he will not respond to their requests for documents.” (“On The Stump,” The Gazette, 6/16/06)

“Sen. Doug Lamborn, Rorado Springs, Received The Backing This Week Of Congressman Mike Pence, R-Ind., Chairman Of The Conservative Republican Study Committee.” (“On The Stump,” The Gazette, 6/24/06)

“State Sen. Doug Lamborn Said President Bush Should Have Vetoed Past Spending Bills That Included Too Much Money For Social Programs And Not Enough For Defense.” (Bill Hethcock, “Republican Hopefuls Hail Iraq Invasion,” The Gazette, 7/6/06)

Local Radio Stations Pulled Lamborn Supporting Club For Growth Attack Ad Against Crank. “Two local talk radio stations have pulled an ad attacking Republican 5th Congressional District candidate Jeff Crank, after a campaign attorney complained it misrepresented the consultant’s stand on taxes. KVOR, an AM station owned by Citadel Broadcasting Co., pulled the ad Thursday, four days after it began airing, according to Crank’s campaign manager, Jim Banks. The radio station did not return a call seeking comment. Late Friday, Banks said Salem Communications also decided to pull the commercial on its 1460 KZNT station. The ad was placed by the Washington, D.C.-based political action committee Club for Growth, which supports Doug Lamborn, one of six Republicans running for the congressional seat being vacated by Joel Hefley. Banks said the commercial unfairly implied that Crank supports higher taxes because he supported Amendment 32. That amendment would have frozen Colorado’s residential property tax rate instead of allowing it to keep dropping as called for by a 1980s tax-
limit measure called the Gallagher Amendment. Crank, then vice president of the Greater Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce, supported the amendment because it would have counteracted rising business taxes needed to make up for the loss in personal property tax revenue.” (Bill McKeown, “Ad Against Crank Pulled,” The Gazette, 7/15/06)

**Lamborn Advocated For “Fair Tax”**. “Lamborn, a state senator, said the country should move toward a fair tax, though he is concerned that mortgage deductions would not be allowed under that system. 'It would be great if we had a one-page tax return. We would save hundreds of billions of dollars a year in lost manpower if we didn't have to, every year of either you or your accountant filling out tax returns, multiple, multiple pages,' he said.” (Erin Emery, “IRS In Candidates' Sights,” The Denver Post, 7/18/06)

**Crank Campaign Surrogate Sen. Andy McElhany Attributed Negative Campaign Tactics To Lamborn.** “In an e-mail sent from the campaign Jeff Crank, Sen. Andy McElhany of Colorado Springs responded to negative campaign tactics he attributed in part to state Sen. Doug Lamborn of Colorado Springs. ‘These tactics reveal a man who is desperate to win this election and judging from what he is willing to do to get elected, it is hard to imagine what he will do to hold on to his seat if he gets there,’ McElhany wrote.” (Jon Sarche, “State Senate Leader Depries Negative Campaigning In 5th District,” The Associated Press, 7/19/06)

- **Crank Campaign Surrogate Noted Colorado Christian Coalition Attack On Crank And Others For ‘Public Support For Members And Efforts Of The Homosexual Agenda.’** “As an example of the tactics he was upset with, McElhany pointed to a recent mailer from the Colorado Christian Coalition sent in support of Lamborn. It criticized Crank and GOP candidate and Colorado Springs Mayor Lionel Rivera for "public support for members and efforts of the homosexual agenda." (Jon Sarche, “State Senate Leader Depries Negative Campaigning In 5th District,” The Associated Press, 7/19/06)

- **Lamborn’s Campaign Manager Was Former Director Of Coalition; Brother Was Current Director.** “John Hotaling, the former director of the Colorado Christian Coalition and Lamborn's campaign manager, said the campaign had nothing to do with the mailer. Hotaling’s brother is the coalition's current director. ‘Certainly my own brother would keep the campaign from violating campaign finance laws. I can't control what he does just like I couldn't control what he did when we were kids,' Hotaling said.” (Jon Sarche, “State Senate Leader Depries Negative Campaigning In 5th District,” The Associated Press, 7/19/06)

- **Mailer Said Crank Endorsed Gay Activist; Crank Campaign Said He Never Endorsed The Candidate But Chamber Of Commerce Did.** “The mailer said Crank had endorsed a gay activist for the Colorado Springs City Council and that Rivera had endorsed an annual gay pride celebration in the city. ‘I am saddened that Doug Lamborn has chosen to go down this road,’ McElhany said in an interview. ‘The piece is not only despicable, but it's a total lie and Sen. Lamborn should renounce it or he should be rejected by the voters.’ Crank's spokesman, Jim Banks, said Crank never endorsed the City Council candidate, but was speaking as an executive of the Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce, which did endorse the candidate.” (Jon Sarche, “State Senate Leader Depries Negative Campaigning In 5th District,” The Associated Press, 7/19/06)

- **Mailer Showed Photo Of Two Grooms Locking Arms On A Wedding Cake.** “Featuring a photo of two grooms locking arms on a wedding cake, the mailing notes that Rivera, the Colorado Springs mayor, signed a proclamation for gay pride week in 2003. It also says that Crank endorsed gayrights advocate and former Colorado Springs Vice Mayor Richard Skorman. … The stir, though, is over the accusations about Crank. The mailing cites a 2003 Colorado Springs Independent story in which Crank explains that the Chamber of Commerce, for which he worked as vice president, backed Skorman in a City Council race because he was a 'known quantity.' Crank campaign manager Jim Banks said, however, that Crank
was speaking only for his employer and that he never personally backed Skorman.” (Ed Sealover, “Fallout Over Claim Of ‘Homosexual Lobby,’” The Gazette, 7/20/06)

NOTE: “The Supporter Of One Of Six Candidates In The 5th Congressional District GOP Primary Has Filed A Complaint With The Federal Elections Commission, Alleging Collusion Between Two Political Action Groups And Another Candidate.” (“Crank Supporter Files Complaint Over Election Action,” The Associated Press, 7/24/06)


“Crank, Bremer And Anderson Signed A Pledge To Run Clean Campaigns. Rayburn Said His 1971 Oath Upon Entering The Air Force Commits Him To High Ethical Standards. Rivera And Lamborn Are Keeping Their Campaign Options Open.” (Editorial, “All Elbows In 5th CD,” The Denver Post, 7/22/06)

Minuteman Militia Leader Endorsed Lamborn. “Colorado Springs - The founder of a volunteer militia that searches for illegal immigrants crossing the border from Mexico chastised the federal government Monday for failing what he said is its primary mission. ‘Why aren't you using our taxes to do the job of securing our borders? That's job No. 1 - to protect our borders,’ said Chris Simcox, the Arizona man who started the Minuteman Civil Defense Corps. He was in town to endorse Doug Lamborn, one of six Republicans vying in the Aug. 8 primary for U.S. Rep. Joel Hefley's seat.” (Erin Emery, “Militia Founder Endorses Lamborn,” The Denver Post, 7/25/06)

Crank Attacked Lamborn On Military Spending. “Crank, a former Chamber of Commerce vice president, asked Lamborn why he would accept support from opponents of increased military spending. Crank did not specify who the supporters were, and a confused Lamborn said he would have to see evidence of it. Crank explained later that he was referring to the Club for Growth, a Washington, D.C., organization that has sent several mail pieces on Lamborn’s behalf. One campaign said the mail pieces, comparing Lamborn’s record with those of Crank and Rivera, vaulted Lamborn in front of his rivals in an internal poll. Crank said he reached his conclusion by examining the record of Club for Growth President Pat Toomey, a Pennsylvania congressman from 1999 to 2005. Toomey voted against bills that would have provided money for veterans' compensation and housing, mandated the highest funding level for post-9/11 recovery and assigned members of the armed forces to assist U.S. customs agents.” (Ed Sealover, “5th District Race Turning Nasty,” The Gazette, 7/26/06)

Lamborn On His Conservative Record: “I've always been on the right...I think maybe there are some candidates who are trying to present themselves as conservative as me, but I don't know if they'll be successful.” (Jon Sarche, “Race To The Right Conservative Politics Dominating GOP Primary,” The Associated Press, 8/3/06)


TV Stations Pulled Club For Growth Ad Attacking Crank And Riviera. “Cable provider Comcast and KOAA/Channels 5&30 on Friday pulled a political ad attacking two of the Republican candidates for the 5th Congressional District after one of the campaigns argued it was untruthful. The ad, paid for by the political action
committee Club for Growth, accused candidates Jeff Crank and Lionel Rivera of being in favor of higher taxes and against tax and spending cuts.” (R. Scott Rappold, “Political Ad Pulled From TV,” The Gazette, 8/5/06)

Lamborn Won Six-Way Primary. “State Sen. Doug Lamborn played it safe Tuesday in winning the GOP nomination to succeed veteran Rep. Joel Hefley: He stayed as far to the political right of his five opponents as possible. Lamborn, who has represented Colorado Springs in the Legislature since 1994, beat former Hefley aide Jeff Crank by holding on to his support in El Paso County, the district's most populous. Crank won in the other five counties, probably due to Hefley's endorsement. .... With 99 percent of polling places reporting, Lamborn had 14,997 votes, or 27 percent of the total, and Crank had 14,076 votes, or 25 percent.” (Jon Sarche, “Lamborn Wins Six-Way Battle For 5th District GOP Nomination,” The Associated Press, 8/9/06)

Media Noted Polar Opposites In Lamborn Versus General Election Opponent Fawcett. “No one wanted to see state Sen. Doug Lamborn win last week's Republican 5th Congressional District primary and take on Democrat Jay Fawcett more than Lamborn himself. But if there was a close second in rooting for the self-described true conservative in the six-way primary, it was Fawcett. Lamborn's victory set up a general election to succeed retiring GOP Rep. Joel Hefley that will pair ideological polar opposites. Fawcett is for abortion rights, while Lamborn has sponsored more anti-abortion bills than any legislator. Lamborn supports the war in Iraq, while Fawcett called for Secretary of Defense Donald Rumsfeld's resignation.” (Ed Sealover, “Fawcett, Lamborn Are Polar Political Opposites,” The Gazette, 8/13/06)

“Retiring Republican Rep. Joel Hefley May Not Endorse Doug Lamborn, The GOP Nominee For His Seat, Because Of Lamborn's 'Dirty' Campaign Tactics During This Summer's Primary, Hefley's Spokeswoman Said Tuesday.” (Jennifer Talhelm, “Hefley May Not Endorse GOP Candidate To Succeed Him, Aide Says,” The Associated Press, 8/29/06)

“‘I Feel That He Ran The Most Sleazy, Dishonest Campaign I've Seen In A Long, Long Time, And I Cannot Support It,’ [Former Congressman Joel] Hefley Told The Colorado Springs Gazette On Tuesday.” (Editorial, No Free Pass In 5th CD Race,” The Denver Post, 8/30/06)


Former Congressman Hefley Refused To Endorse Lamborn Due To “Sleazy” Campaign Tactics. “I made this clear at the start of this campaign that I would never again support a Republican who ran a sleazy campaign against another Republican, and that's what Doug Lamborn did,’ Hefley said in an interview with The Associated Press. ‘It's not good when we have these angry, bitter campaigns (against Democrats). It's sure not good when we have them within the party.’” (Jennifer Talhelm, “AP Interview: Hefley Declines To Endorse GOP Nominee,” The Associated Press, 9/6/06)

At Debate, Media Noted Contrast Between Opponents; Lamborn Said Congress Could Save Money On Earmarks And Privatizing Social Security For Young Workers. “Lamborn, who has served 12 years in the Colorado legislature, promised that if elected he would never raise taxes. Fawcett said that if he is elected, he could make only one guarantee: He would listen to every constituent. In the debate, Lamborn said he is anti-abortion; Fawcett said he backs abortion rights. Lamborn thinks the nation should stay in Iraq; Fawcett thinks troops should withdraw to the borders, train Iraqi forces and use diplomacy to bring calm to the area. About the only thing the two agreed upon is that marriage should be between a man and a woman. But Fawcett said he will support Referendum I, to provide legal rights to gay people. When asked how the candidates would balance the budget when the war in Iraq has cost more than $300 billion, Lamborn said: ‘I just think it is so critical, whatever the cost, that we fight the war on terror. They came and attacked us on 9/11, before we even dreamed of going to
Iraq.' Lamborn said Congress could save money on earmarks, and privatize Social Security for young workers.”

( Erin Emery, “5th District Debate Study In Opposites,” The Denver Post, 10/6/06)


“The Denver Post Backed Fawcett, Saluting His Background As An Air Force Officer And Saying He Has Taken An Interest In The Issues Most Important To The District. The Rocky Mountain News Supported Lamborn, Saying He Will Push Pro-Growth Policies And That His Stances Are Similar To Retiring GOP Rep. Joel Hefley’s.” (“On The Stump,” The Gazette, 10/22/06)

VIDEO: Fox News Ran Segment On Race; Highlight Hefley “Sleazy” Remarks; Lamborn Blamed 527s.

“MCKINLEY: Republican candidate Doug Lamborn appeared at a rally hosted by a syndicated talk show host Hugh Hewitt. Lamborn brushed off news of recent polls reporting the race is a tossup. LAMBORN: I someone says it’s a tie I think it's wishful thinking on their part. MCKINLEY: Lamborn won a bitter primary, accused of running a sleazy campaign by retiring Congressman Joel Hefley who held this seat for 20 years. Hefley isn’t endorsing anyone, especially Lamborn. REP. JOEL HEFLEY (R), COLORADO: I still think that he ran, in my opinion, such a negative kind of an attacking campaign that I think whether he wins or loses will be based more on that. MCKINLEY: Lamborn blames so-called "527 organizations, " special interest groups for putting a negative spin on the primary. LAMBORN: And a candidate like me can't coordinate with them or it's against the law and I haven't done that and I wouldn't want to do that. MCKINLEY (on camera): Lamborn stresses he has enough GOP endorsements on his side and in a district where Republicans outnumber Democrats two to one, political observers believe he can withstand the loss of Hefley's support. (voice-over): But that hasn't stopped the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee from declaring this an emerging race believing they're in prime position to win, and possibly for the first time in history, changing this district from red to blue.” (Fox News’ “Special Report With Brit Hume,” 10/26/06)

GOP Precinct Chair Broke Ranks; Criticized Lamborn For Dishonest Campaign. “A GOP precinct chairman in congressional candidate Doug Lamborn’s state Senate district has resigned, saying he does not support Lamborn and likely will vote for the Democratic nominee. Preston Cooper, chairman of a precinct in Black Forest, just north of Colorado Springs, told El Paso County Chairwoman Terry Kunkel and The Gazette on Thursday that he supports Democrat Jay Fawcett in the race for the 5th Congressional District seat being vacated by retiring 10-term GOP Congressman Joel Hefley. … In his letter, Cooper said he disagreed with Lamborn’s ‘extreme conservatism’ and called Lamborn ‘ethically challenged’ for running a primary campaign that Hefley called ‘sleazy’ and ‘dishonest.’” (“GOP Precinct Head In Lamborn’s District Breaks Ranks,” The Associated Press, 10/27/06)

The Denver Post Noted That The 2006 Primary Was Not The First Time Lamborn Had Been Accused Of Nasty Politics; Highlighted Euthanasia Letter. “And it was not the first time Lamborn had been accused of nasty politics. In May 1998, Lamborn ran against Tom Ratterree for the state Senate. Ratterree claimed in a story printed in The (Colorado Springs) Gazette that he had received copies of a letter circulated by Lamborn supporters suggesting Ratterree, who opposed euthanasia, took his wife off of life support. His wife died of cancer in 1991 and had requested that she not be connected to life-support machinery. Ratterree dropped out of the race, telling a Gazette reporter: ‘... the lack of Christian attitude by some people in the community, I don't need that.' Ratterree died in 2005. Lamborn said there never was such a letter: ‘That would be a very mean thing to say.’” (Erin Emery, “Lamborn Touts Ties,” The Denver Post, 10/29/06)

“Independent Polls Have Portrayed The Race As Anywhere From A Dead Heat To A 13-Point Lead For Lamborn, And Fawcett Said Lamborn Is Trying To Hide From The Public To Win It. ‘Doug, You’re Losing

Cheney Praised Lamborn At Rally. Vice President Cheney: “Doug, of course, is an experienced public servant -- a longtime resident of Colorado Springs, a friend of the taxpayer, a believer in limited government, and a strong advocate for the military. He has earned your confidence, and the President and I look forward to working with him in Washington, D.C.” (Remarks By Vice President Dick Cheney, Colorado Victory Rally, Colorado Springs, 11/3/06)

“Lamborn, Who Had Been In A Near Dead Heat With Fawcett In Recent Polls, Won 59 Percent Of The Vote To Fawcett’s 40 Percent, With Most Of The Results Finalized.” (Ed Sealover, “Hefley’s Seat Will Remain Republican,” The Gazette, 11/8/06)


- “Fawcett’s Campaigners Clearly Placed The Blame For The Prank On Operatives For Fawcett’s Opponent. ‘We Had Some [Doug Lamborn] Skunks Visit Us Last Night,’ Read An Apologetic Note Outside The Headquarters. It Included A Photo Of Lamborn And Cartoon Skunk.” (Michael DeYoanna, “Fawcett Skunked,” Colorado Springs Independent, 11/9/06)

Lamborn Said He Would Oppose Idea Of Banning Lobbyist Gifts To Congressmen. “In November, 65 percent of voters backed an amendment banning lobbyists from giving lawmakers gifts worth more than $50. Last year, Lamborn accepted $341 worth of gifts, including a round of golf and University of Colorado football tickets. Asked what he’d think of a House vote on a measure like Colorado’s, he says a ban ‘might go too far.’ ‘I would prefer full disclosure that would allow for a reasonable gift,’ he says, specifically voicing support for allowing private interests to pay for a representative’s travel expenses to conferences that discuss policy.” (Michael DeYoanna, “Rarin’ To Go,” Colorado Springs Independent, 12/7/06)

2007 News Of Note:

Lamborn On Passing Legislation: “It’s going to be hard to pass any major legislation. In fact, any freshman is not going to be able to do that,” he said shortly before his swearing-in, reflecting on being part of a small GOP freshman class given less hope of success than any in recent memory.” (Ed Sealover, “Lamborn Faces Long Odds To Be Heard,” The Gazette, 1/7/07)

“That Lamborn Missed An Early Vote On His First Day In Congress -- A Mistake He Attributes To A Faulty Buzzer System In His Office -- Will Not Be Forgotten. It Was A Vote On Whether To Debate On Setting Rules For A Rules Package.” (Ed Sealover, “Lamborn Faces Long Odds To Be Heard,” The Gazette, 1/7/07)

State Asked Lamborn For State Owned Laptop And Keys Back. “Former state Sen. Doug Lamborn, who was elected to Congress last year, still has a state-owned computer and keys to his old office, and the Legislature wants them back. Lamborn spokesman Chris Harvin said Lamborn’s wife, Jeanne, would return the items Wednesday when she gets back from Washington. Harvin said the items were supposed to have been returned in December but the blizzard delayed it. Lamborn, a Republican, was sworn in last week as the new congressman from the 5th District, replacing Joel Hefley, who retired. Harvin said Lamborn remained a state senator until Jan. 3, when he resigned a week before his term was scheduled to end. State officials said Lamborn has a state computer valued at about $1,800, the office keys and two clickers that activate parking gates at the Capitol and a
Lamborn Voted Against Taking Back Oil Subsidies. “House Democrats on Thursday voted to roll back $14 billion in tax credits and fee waivers to the oil industry in a move they said would direct more money into alternative energy production. The measure is the last of the major bills Democrats promised in the first 100 hours of the new Congress and it was approved on a vote of 264 to 163. Colorado's House delegation split along party lines with Democrats John Salazar, Diana DeGette, Mark Udall and Ed Perlmutter voting for the measure. Republicans Marilyn Musgrave, Tom Tancredo and Doug Lamborn voted against it.” (Peter Roper, “House Votes To Take Back Oil Subsidies,” The Pueblo Chieftain, 1/19/07)


Lamborn’s Office Had High Volume Of Frank Mail; Seemed By Some As A Congressional Perk. “Although sometimes criticized by outside groups as a Congressional perk — Members are allowed to use their office budget to pay for mailings, although guidelines limit the documents’ content and when items can be issued — many freshman offices contacted last week took pride in placing among the top mass-mail users for first-term Members. … A spokesman for Rep. Doug Lamborn (R-Colo.) asserted his office issued a relatively high volume of mail, more than 111,000 pieces at a postage cost of $41,691, in an effort to introduce the freshman lawmaker, who replaced longtime Rep. Joel Hefley (R). 'We're in a district that hasn't seen a new Congressional Member in 20 years,' spokesman Chris Harvin said. ‘We’re trying to get our messages out, we're trying to get our services out,’ The Coloradoan has worked with a consulting firm to create ‘an aggressive plan to reach out to the constituents’ that includes mass mailings, as well as town hall meetings and teleconferences, and plans to use e-mail documents in the future.” (Jennifer Yachnin And John McArdle “Freshmen Making Quick Use Of Mail,” Roll Call, 7/2/07)

- “Congressman Doug Lamborn Spent More Than $40,000 In His First Three Months In Office On Mass Mailings And Constituent Letters, More Than His Predecessor, Joel Hefley, Spent During His Last Five Years On The Job.” (Ed Sealover, “Lamborn Racks Up Mailing Charges,” The Gazette, 7/13/07)

- Former Congressional Candidate Jeff Crank: “How Many Taxpayers In The Congressional District Have To Pay Their Taxes So That Doug Lamborn Can Frank Them With Their Mail Pieces?” (“Report: Lamborn Spent $41,691 On Mailings In First 3 Months,” The Associated Press, 7/13/07)

Lamborn Hadn’t Disclose Requested Earmarks To Media Outlets. “When CNN directed its interns to ask every member of the Senate and House to disclose their requests, the only one in Colorado's delegation to say yes was Democratic Congressman and senatorial candidate Mark Udall. He asked for more than $170 million. Subsequently, Congressman and presidential candidate Tom Tancredo has released his request list. The self-proclaimed fiscal conservative is asking for about $226 million for local pet projects. Rep. Marilyn Musgrave followed suit by releasing her information - she is seeking more than $112 million in earmarks. Republican Congressman Doug Lamborn, an outspoken critic of pork, hasn't released his requested earmarks list as far as I can tell. Perhaps it's just an oversight.” (David Harsanyi, “Congress Keeps Its Pets Quiet,” The Denver Post, 7/9/07)

Lamborn Promoted Taxpayer Bill Of Rights. “Rep. Doug Lamborn, a longtime proponent of Colorado's Taxpayer Bill of Rights, is promoting an American Taxpayer Bill of Rights. The two documents are vastly different in their specifics. Where the state TABOR requires voter approval for any tax to be raised, the national TABOR
does not touch that subject, as nationwide referenda on taxes are impossible. But the national version, written by
the conservative Republican Study Committee to which Lamborn belongs, does adopt the spirit of the 1992
Colorado law in pushing four principles, Lamborn said. It pledges to restore fiscal discipline in Congress, stop the
spending of Social Security money on other things, balance the federal budget without raising taxes and replace
the Internal Revenue Service tax code with something simpler.” (Ed Sealover, “Lamborn Calls For A National Version Of TABOR,” The Gazette, 7/30/07)

“Jeff Crank, A Former Greater Colorado Springs Chamber Of Commerce Vice President Who Lost To
Lamborn By Fewer Than 1,000 Votes, Filed His Statement Of Candidacy [For Lamborn’s Congressional

Colorado Couple Said They Received Threatening Calls From Lamborn. “A local couple is complaining that
U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn left them two threatening voice mails after they wrote a letter criticizing his fundraising.
Jonathan Bartha and Anna Bartha told The Denver Post that Lamborn said there would be ‘consequences’ if they
did not withdraw their letter. ‘We felt very threatened and intimidated, and quite frankly, scared,’ Anna Bartha said.
‘It was just not anything we would ever anticipate an elected official would pursue or a way that an elected official
would conduct himself.’ Lamborn, in a call to The Associated Press on Sunday, said there was never any intention
to threaten anyone and that he had never accepted money from the gambling industry as alleged by the Barthas.
He said he would make his banking records available and that his spending reports show he never took the
money offered by the industry. ... The Post reported that when asked whether his messages were threatening,
Lamborn said: ‘No, that is ridiculous. My hope, I failed, but I had hoped to meet with them privately and
confidentially because lying is a serious matter.’ Asked what he meant by consequences, Lamborn said: ‘When
someone tells a lie, it just has bad consequences.’ ... The Bartha’s letter criticized Lamborn for allegedly
accepting $1,500 in campaign contributions from the gambling industry. Federal records confirm the donations
were accepted, but Lamborn said he returned them. He did not say when and The Post said there is no federal
record of them being returned. Lamborn’s voice mails urged the couple as ‘brothers and sisters in Christ’ and
implored them to call him back to discuss their ‘blatantly false’ letter. Jonathan Bartha is employed by Focus on
the Family. His wife, a board member of Falcon School District 49, worked for two months as a scheduler for
candidate Jeff Crank during a bitter, six-way Republican primary race for the 5th Congressional District seat.
Lamborn has written an open letter to the chairman of the GOP in El Paso County, Greg Garcia, asking him to
investigate the letter.” (“Colo Springs Couple Says Got Threatening Call From Congressman,” The Associated Press, 9/2/07)

• Lamborn Later Apologized. “Rep. Doug Lamborn (R-Colo.) is apologizing to a couple in his district who
complained that he left them two threatening voice mails after they wrote a critical letter to the editor
about the freshman member. In a letter sent Tuesday, Lamborn said he has been working diligently on
issues of national importance affecting Colorado’s 5th district, including the war in Iraq, the safety and
security of our troops, the war on terrorism, immigration and a bloated federal budget. ‘Therefore, when
my record is not accurately portrayed, I am quick and passionate in attempting to set the record straight,’
he wrote. ‘Unfortunately, recent events have risen to a level that was unintended.’” (Susan Crabtree, “Rep.
Lamborn Apologizes,” The Hill, 9/5/07)

• NOTE: Records Show Gaming Check Was Sent In January, Not Returned Until A Few Weeks Ago;
Lamborn Blamed Wife. “International Gaming Technology, a Nevada-based slot machine maker,
confirmed Wednesday that Lamborn returned the check. Chuck Brooke, the company’s senior vice
president for government affairs, said the check -- sent in January -- hadn’t been returned by the time the
company’s political action committee filed its midyear FEC report in June. The check was sent to
Lamborn unsolicited, after his name was provided by a senior GOP lawmaker raising money for freshman
Republicans, Brooke said. He could not say exactly when the check was returned but said it was ‘several
Lamborn said the delay in returning the check was because his wife is running the finances for his campaign committee, and she was frequently out of the state to be with her ill mother." (R. Scott Rappold, "Lamborn Says He Didn't Mean To Threaten," The Gazette, 9/6/07)

- **NOTE:** "FEC regulations say contributions made to political campaigns must be deposited or returned within 10 days. If he's found in violation, the FEC could impose a $6,500 fine." (Erin Emery, "Lamborn Held On To Check Awhile," The Denver Post, 9/9/07)

Lamborn's Foes Hinted They Might Work Together To Help Defeat Him. "When Republican Bentley Rayburn enters the 5th Congressional District race tonight, it will officially be a three-man contest. In many ways, though, it will be a battle of two against one. Both Rayburn and Jeff Crank, who this summer announced his primary challenge to GOP Congressman Doug Lamborn, have said that just one of them will face the freshman lawmaker in the primary next August. Though no official pact has been signed, both of the candidates and their supporters have hinted that whoever gets fewer votes at next year's congressional assembly -- attended by party delegates chosen at caucuses -- will be expected to drop out of the race." (Ed Sealover, "Lamborn's Foes Might Unite To Field A Winner," The Gazette, 10/4/07)

Lamborn Defended Rush Limbaugh's "Phony Soldiers" Statement. "Another member of Colorado's congressional delegation has weighed in on the Rush Limbaugh "phony soldiers" fracas, this time generating an on-air thank-you from the broadcaster. Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, went to the House floor last week to defend Limbaugh. 'I rise today to denounce the liberals' fraudulent attacks on Rush Limbaugh,' Lamborn said Thursday. 'Anyone who reads the widely available transcript, as I have done, sees that Mr. Limbaugh was appropriately referring to the pretenders who pose as medal winners, or who falsely claim to have committed atrocities in Iraq, when he used the phrase 'phony soldiers.' Democrats, including Rep. Mark Udall of Eldorado Springs and Sen. Ken Salazar of Colorado, chastised Limbaugh for comments he made on his talk-show broadcast. Democrats interpreted those comments to mean Limbaugh referred to military members critical of the Iraq war as 'phony soldiers.' Limbaugh said he was referring to people who lie about military service. Lamborn backed Limbaugh's version of events. ... Limbaugh thanked Lamborn on his Friday broadcast." (Anne C. Mulkern, "Lamborn Gets Thanks From Limbaugh," The Denver Post, 10/9/07)

Lamborn Appointed To Armed Services Committee; Previous Attacks On His Inability To Block Ban On Pion Canyon Money Noted. "U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn won his long-sought appointment to the House Armed Services Committee on Wednesday after a reshuffle on the panel following the weekend death of a Virginia congresswoman. The freshman Republican has been under fire for months for not having a voice on the defense budget and policy body while representing a district that has more than 30,000 troops. He was clearly happy about getting a seat at the table Wednesday, but said his mood was tempered by the fact that his appointment resulted from a death. ... Lamborn was targeted by his opponents within theGOP as recently as this month for lacking influence in the House to help sustain the five military bases in the Pikes Peak region. Last summer, Lamborn lost a lopsided 389-34 vote in his bid to block a move by two other Colorado lawmakers to ban the Army from spending money that could lead to the expansion of the Pion Canyon Maneuver Site." (Tom Roeder, "Springs Voice On Military Panel," The Gazette, 10/11/07)

**Denver Post Noted Lamborn Earmark Request And Subsequent Donation.** "Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colo., secured $1 million for Woodland Park-based Sturman Industries for work on cleaner-running engines. Lamborn asked for the money in March. In July, the president of Sturman Industries, Carol Sturman, made a $250 contribution to Lamborn's re-election campaign." (Anne C. Mulkern, "Colo. Still Gets Slice Of Smaller Pork Pie," The Denver Post, 11/19/07)

**VIDEO: Lamborn Dodged ABC News Cameras At Lobbyist Event.** "BRIAN ROSS (ABC NEWS) (Voiceover) Some lobbying groups were even using Capitol Hill itself as if it were a catering hall. The beer wholesalers were
given the cafeteria of the Rayburn Office Building for free, because their party, with 50 different kinds of beer, was supposedly considered an educational event, even though they called it a party. GUEST (MALE) And they're at a party that, that's perfectly ethical and legal. BRIAN ROSS (ABC NEWS) (Voiceover) It was not something one guest, Republican Congressman Doug Lamborn of Colorado, wanted to talk about. BRIAN ROSS (ABC NEWS) (Off-camera) Is it appropriate do you think for the beer wholesalers to be able to use Capitol Hill kind of as a catering hall? GUEST (FEMALE) We need to go. REPRESENTATIVE DOUG LAMBORN (REPUBLICAN) We need to go. We'll talk to you later.” (ABC's “World News,” 12/12/07)

2008 News Of Note:

The Gazette Detailed Lamborn’s Agenda For 2008; Focused On Military And Veterans Issues. “The congressional session that begins on Jan. 15 will be a new one for second-year U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn, but there are a lot of things that bear an eerie resemblance to 2006 and 2007. The Colorado Springs Republican will be returning to a Democrat-led Congress where his socially and fiscally conservative ideas carry little sway. He once again will be focused on military and veterans issues. And once more, he will face a Republican primary against 2006 runners-up Jeff Crank and Bentley Rayburn. He will continue his defense of Fort Carson knowing that he and other members of the Colorado delegation have secured a new brigade for the post. And unlike 2007, he will serve a full year on the House Armed Services Committee. … Lamborn's top goal will be to continue growing the military presence in the area by attracting the soon-to-be formed Air Force Cyber Command to the Pikes Peak region. He already has flown to Louisiana, the command's temporary home, to meet with key officials, and an announcement should be made within the next 60 days, he said. Other top military issues include continuing his push to establish a national veterans cemetery in El Paso County and addressing the need for a mobile outreach program to bring services to veterans in rural areas, he said. On the nonmilitary front, funding a study on expanding Pueblo Reservoir stands out for Lamborn. But with heavy opposition coming from Rep. John Salazar, a Pueblo Democrat, Lamborn said the best he can hope for this year is to continue to block Salazar's attempts to add requirements to any study that would delay it for many years. … This year he plans to introduce a measure requiring a public vote if Congress expands the national debt and to examine all federally funded research involving fetal tissue to determine whether the tissue is being acquired from the sale of aborted fetuses.” (Ed Sealover, "Lamborn Keeps Focused On Familiar GOP Issues," The Gazette, 1/7/08)


“[Lamborn’s Opponent Bentley] Rayburn, Meanwhile, Says Lamborn’s Term In Congress Has Been A Fiasco. Lamborn’s Stumbles Included His Proposing To Make A National Monument, Rayburn Said, An Idea That Surprised The Community And Went Nowhere.” (Pam Zubeck, “Crank, Lamborn, Rayburn Go At It Again,” The Gazette, 2/3/08)

Lamborn Skipped Opportunity To Debate At Luncheon. “Rep. Doug Lamborn (R) ’joined’ the El Paso GOP Women's Forum for lunch 2/18, but ‘passed on a debate’ with '06 candidates Jeff Crank (R) and Bentley Rayburn (R). Crank consultant Patrick Davis: ‘He thought he was going to be the lone speaker. He said, 'There must have been a mix-up. I'm not here to debate these two gentlemen.' Crank said Lamborn spoke for about 2 minutes, then he ‘ate his salad and left.’ (“Hate To Eat And Run, But…” National Journal's House Race Hotline, 2/21/08)
Lamborn Paid $40,000 In Taxpayer Money To Consultant Who Donated $2,000 To His Campaigns. “Rep. Doug Lamborn paid $40,000 in taxpayer money for constituent services to a consultant who's donated $2,000 to his election campaigns. Curt Cerveny, an owner of Denver-based Politically Direct, which "is in the business of winning elections," its Web site says, gave Lamborn $1,000 during the 2006 election cycle and $1,000 on Nov. 11 for his reelection campaign. Politically Direct was paid to conduct electronic town hall meetings for Lamborn starting last year and continuing through this month. House rules bar the use of taxpayer-funded congressional budgets for campaign and political expenses. Cerveny said there was no quid pro quo, although he said he's provided the same service to other Congress members and didn't contribute to their campaigns. He said he planned to do so soon, however. Lamborn's communications director Kristen Hainen said Lamborn conducted six or seven tele-town halls this year but didn't know how many in 2007.” (Pam Zubeck, “Taxpayers Wind Up Paying Lamborn Donor,” The Gazette, 3/8/08)


Club For Growth Endorsed Lamborn. “The Club for Growth endorsed Rep. Doug Lamborn (R) this a.m., saying he has 'one of the best voting records' in the House in voting 'against every' Dem 'tax hike.' CfG Pres. Pat Toomey: ‘In 2006, Rep. Lamborn promised to fight against wasteful spending and tax increases, and he has lived up to his word even when many Republicans chose to side with the Democrats’” (“Protecting Its Own,” National Journal’s House Race Hotline, 3/25/08)

Crank Unveiled Economic Development Plan For Pinon Canyon Maneuver Site; Lamborn Criticism On Issue Noted. “There is no bigger issue for the 5th Congressional District congressman than helping the Army expand the Pinon Canyon Maneuver Site and GOP contender Jeff Crank is trying to create an economic development plan that would entice Southeastern Colorado to support the expansion. When the House approved a resolution last June banning the Army from spending any money on the expansion in 2008, incumbent GOP Rep. Doug Lamborn argued that Fort Carson troops needed more training land at the 238,000-acre Pinon Canyon site. It didn't help. Lamborn lost in an overwhelming vote of 383 to 34 with Democratic Rep. John Salazar and GOP Rep. Marilyn Musgrave leading the bipartisan opposition to the Army. While ranchers fighting the expansion celebrated, Lamborn's critics among Colorado Springs Republicans began grumbling that the incumbent wasn't delivering for the Army, which is planning to base five full brigades at the Mountain Post.” (Peter Roper, “Crank Touts Economic Plan To Solve Pinon Canyon Fight,” The Pueblo Chieftain, 3/27/08)

Lamborn Was One Of The Poorest Members Of Congress. “And our own Doug Lamborn, ranking 406th in the House with a net worth of about $50,000, is someone whom any working stiff can identify with.” (John Hazlehurst, Op-Ed, “Commentary: Do We Really Want Politicians Who Haven't Struck It Rich?” Colorado Springs Business Journal, 4/18/08)


The Denver Post Found Connections Between Lamborn Earmark Requests And Donors. “With Congress facing increased scrutiny for its funding of pet projects, U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn pledged to severely limit how
many he would request. The Colorado Springs Republican culled his list solely to those he thought supported national defense. Many of the earmarks that made Lamborn’s final cut had another quality. They went to companies that had given money to his re-election campaign. Lamborn last month asked the House Armed Services Committee to approve more than $32 million in federal contracts for companies that in the past two years have given his campaign a combined $9,547.” (Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.’S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)

- **Seven Requests For Projects Tied To Specific Companies; Five Of Which Had PACs Who Contributed To Lamborn.** “Lamborn made seven requests for projects tied to specific companies. Of those, five were to businesses whose political action committees had given him campaign contributions. Officials with two of the companies, Goodrich Corp. and Aeroflex Inc., said there’s no connection between their contributions and their requests for earmarks. The political action committees support lawmakers who back defense spending, both said.” (Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.’S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)

  - **GOODRICH CORP.**
    - Project: Ejection seat for military aircraft.
    - Amount requested: $12 million
    - Amount authorized: $6 million
    - Contribution: Company political action committee gave $3,000
    (Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.’S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)

  - **AEROFLEX INC.**
    - Project: Technology hardening space satellite chips to effects of outer space
    - Amount requested: $6.25 million
    - Amount authorized: $3 million
    - Contribution: Political action committee gave $2,297
    (Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.’S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)

  - **21ST CENTURY SYSTEMS INC.**
    - Project: Software to gather and manage information from different databases
    - Amount requested: $4 million
    - Amount authorized: $4 million
    - Contribution: Political action committee gave $2,500
    (Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.’S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)

  - **ANALYTICAL GRAPHICS INC.**
    - Project: Space and Electronic Warfare Analysis Tools
    - Amount requested: $4 million
    - Amount authorized: $4 million
    - Contribution: Political Action Committee gave $500
    (Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.’S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)

  - **STURMAN INDUSTRIES**
    - Project: Technology to increase truck engine fuel efficiency
    - Amount Requested: $3.5 million
    - Amount authorized: request rejected
    - Contribution: Company president Carol Sturman gave $1,250
    (Anne C. Mulkern, “Rep.’S Requests Point To Donors,” The Denver Post, 6/8/08)

“Ahead By 20 Points In A Recent Poll Even Though He's Facing Two Potentially Strong Opponents In The Aug. 12 GOP Primary, Rep. Doug Lamborn On Wednesday Announced That He Has Been Endorsed By The Greater Colorado Springs Chamber Of Commerce - Where His Chief Opponent Once Worked.” ("Chamber Snubs Crank, Backs Lamborn Instead," Roll Call, 6/26/08)

Lamborn Had Highest Cost In Colorado Delegation For Travel Paid By Outside Groups During 18th Month Span; Took Wife On Trip To Israel. “State lawmakers' travel...In the last 18 months, Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs, and his staff had the highest cost for travel paid by outside groups. Six trips taken by Lamborn or aides totaled $32,441. The biggest chunk of Lamborn's total cost was a $22,395 trip he and his wife, Jeanie, took to Israel last August, sponsored by the American Israel Education Foundation. It's one of the biggest bankrollers of congressional travel, each year taking dozens of lawmakers to Israel.” (Anne C. Mulkern, “Congress Cuts Back Its Flights,” The Denver Post, 6/30/08)

Lamborn's Opponents Attacked On Franked Mail. “Crank and Rayburn complain Lamborn spent more than other members of Colorado's Washington delegation on franked mail, taxpayer-funded letters to constituents. His bill totaled $135,000 in 2007. Crank promises to forgo franked mail and try to prevent others from using it. Rayburn said Lamborn has used it to send out campaign material. ‘That's just wrong,’ he said. Lamborn defends the mailings as the best way to communicate with constituents.” (Pam Zubeck, “Battle Of Conservatives,” The Gazette, 8/1/08)

Lamborn Won Primary. “Rep. Doug Lamborn(R) will face off against Ret. USAF Lt. Col. Hal Bidlack(D) in the general, after beating back challenges from '06 candidates Jeff Crank(R) and Bentley Rayburn(R). Results with 100% of the precincts reporting...Lamborn...45%...Crank...29...Rayburn...26” ("Why You Two-Timers!" National Journal's House Race Hotline, 8/13/08)

Lamborn Was Skeptical Of Wall Street Bailout. “Rep. Tom Tancredo left a meeting of House Republicans last week thinking there was no way the Bush administration's Wall Street bailout proposal could pass Congress. ...Rep. Doug Lamborn of Colorado Springs told colleagues and constituents he was deeply skeptical and not inclined to support Bush's request.” (Anne Mulkern, “Colorado Republican Delegation; Skepticism From The Beginning,” The Denver Post, 9/28/08)

- **NOTE:** Lamborn Said He Would Consider New Proposal. “House Republicans - including Colorado Reps. Tom Tancredo and Doug Lamborn - moved away from their strident opposition to government intervention, saying they would consider the proposal. ‘This new plan is definitely an improvement over the original. However, there are still some serious issues that have not yet been resolved,’ Lamborn said through spokeswoman Catherine Mortensen.” (Jessica Fender, “Colo. Leaders Laud Plan Cautiously,” The Denver Post, 9/29/08)

Lamborn Voted Against Initial Bailout Bill. “Here's how Colorado's U.S. House delegation voted Monday on the $700 billion bailout proposal...Voting no were: ...Doug Lamborn, R-Colorado Springs” ("How They Voted," Daily Camera, 9/30/08)

- **Lamborn:** ""This vote is a victory for taxpayers…I do not support the bailout of private institutions." (Peter Roper, “Four Colorado Lawmakers Reject Bailout,” The Pueblo Chieftain, 9/30/08)
**Lamborn Voted Against Final Bailout Bill.** “The final bailout bill passed by Congress Friday didn't change the minds of anyone in the Colorado delegation. The final roll call was the same as the vote on Monday's bill, 4-3. All three representatives from the Denver area voted for the bailout Democrats Diana DeGette and Ed Perlmutter and Republican Tom Tancredo. Voting no were Republicans Marilyn Musgrave and Doug Lamborn and Democrats Mark Udall and John Salazar.” (P. Solomon Banda, “Colo. Delegation Votes 4-3 Against Bailout Bill,” The Associated Press, 10/3/08)

**Cardboard Cutout Of Lamborn Was Put In His Place Of Debate He Did Not Attend.** “All three candidates running in the 5th Congressional District contest in the Nov. 4 election made a showing at a forum Wednesday, but the incumbent's appearance was a cardboard performance -- literally. Rep. Doug Lamborn, who said earlier this week he'd like more debate opportunities, sidestepped the forum to work a volunteer phone bank for Republican candidates at a GOP hub in north Colorado Springs. But a life-size cardboard cutout of Lamborn was at the forum, brought by Democratic candidate Hal Bidlack, who has been carting it around to events to spotlight Lamborn's absence.” (Pam Zubeck, “Lamborn Seen But Not Heard At Latest Forum,” The Gazette, 10/23/08)

**Differing Positions Between Candidates In Debate Noted.** “Candidates to represent Colorado's 5th Congressional District differed Thursday on everything from marriage to the economy. The debate between Republican Doug Lamborn, Democrat Hal Bidlack and American Constitution Party candidate Brian Scott was the only face-to-face meeting of the opponents before Tuesday's election. Lamborn said the government went too far recently when Congress and the president approved a $700 billion bailout package intended to loosen credit markets. He voted against the measure. Lamborn also spoke out against abortion, gay marriage and tax increases. But he appeared to try to shake the image of a stooge for the GOP that some opponents have said fits his voting record. By various measurements, Lamborn has voted with the Republican Party nearly all the time.” (Perry Swanson, “District 5 Opponents Face Off For First Time,” The Gazette, 10/31/08)

**“Republican Rep. Doug Lamborn Has Won A Second Term In Congress, Overcoming GOP Infighting In A Bitter Primary Battle To Cruise To Re-Election In The General Campaign. Lamborn Was Leading Outmatched Democrat Hal Bidlack 59 Percent To 38 Percent, With 93 Percent Of The Projected Vote Counted.”** (“Lamborn Receives Second Term In House,” The Associated Press, 11/5/08)

**VIDEO: Lamborn Interview On Fox News Highlighted His Idea Of Giving $10,000 Credit For Buying An American Car.** NEIL CAVUTO, HOST: All right, well, forget about bailouts for the auto guys. How about the folks who buy from the auto guys? Republican Congressman Doug Lamborn of Colorado is proposing a $10,000 credit for Americans who choose to buy an American car. Congressman, isn't that not a bailout? REP. DOUG LAMBORN (R), COLORADO: No, it stimulates demand. It is not throwing money at the problem. It’s stimulating demand. If you don’t have people buying more cars, we can throw money, and they will burn through it in a few months. They will be back in six to nine months with their hat in the hand, wanting another bailout. By stimulating demand, you least have people buying the cars and keeping them in business. CAVUTO: All right, so, this would only apply to American cars, right? Now, some of them might say, well, why not me if I want to buy a Japanese model? LAMBORN: As long as it’s made in America and -- which uses American jobs... CAVUTO: Oh, I see. LAMBORN: ... it would be -- it would be -- it would count. So, the $10,000... CAVUTO: Well, what’s the reaction you have got from fellow lawmakers? They’re more inclined, it would seem -- and you are closer to this than I am, sir -- more inclined for a bailout, than a -- than a tax incentive. LAMBORN: There are a lot of people, especially more on the Republican and conservative side, who don’t want to just have a bailout and throw money at the problem, especially without addressing comprehensive -- a comprehensive solution, like the legacy costs. By stimulating demand, using the tax code, it’s an incentive. You're not throwing money. You're using incentives. And that begins to be more of a free-market-type approach.” (Fox News’ “Your World With Neil Cavuto,” 12/3/08)

2009 News Of Note:


Lamborn Voted Against Stimulus Package. “The $787 billion package passed the House by a 246-183 vote. Not one Republican voted for it. GOP Rep. Doug Lamborn said what Democrats delivered was a spending spree that the Congressional Budget Office estimates will weaken long-term economic growth in the U.S. ‘Unfortunately, congressional leaders scheduled a snap vote on a 1,434-page bill that no one had a chance to read in its entirety, much less digest and deliberate,’ Lamborn said.” (“Colo. To Get At Least $1.97 Billion Under Stimulus,” The Associated Press, 2/14/09)

Lamborn Received Money From Lobbying Firm Under FBI Investigation; Secured Earmark For A PMA Client. “Three Colorado lawmakers were among 100 congressional members who secured nearly $300 million in earmarks for clients of a lobbying group while taking campaign contributions from the firm's political action committee or employees, according to Congressional Quarterly. … The lobbying firm, PMA Group, is shutting its doors next month and has already closed down its campaign fund amid reports that the Federal Bureau of Investigation is looking into possible illegal campaign contributions. … Republican Rep. Doug Lamborn's office did not respond to questions from The Post about the $1,000 in contributions he received from PMA or its employees or the $1 million earmark he secured for a PMA client.” (Karen Crummy, “Colo. Lawmakers Aided Clients Of Embattled Firm,” The Denver Post, 2/20/09)

“Congressman Lamborn Has Not Solicited Nor Been Offered Any Political Contributions In This Cycle From Firms Or Employees Of Firms That Received TARP Money. At This Time He Has No Intention Of Doing So,’ Said Spokeswoman Catherine Mortensen.” (Karen E. Crummy, “Bailout Firms Pay Big To D.C.,” The Denver Post, 3/8/09)


Lamborn Tops In CO For Earmarks; Defended Actions. “Republican Rep. Doug Lamborn led Colorado’s seven-member House delegation in the dollar amount of earmarks he introduced in the current fiscal year, a watchdog group reported Tuesday. With the release of its 19th annual ‘Pig Book,’ Citizens Against Government Waste, a Washington-based group opposed to pork-barrel spending, also made public a database listing earmarks by each federal legislator. It showed Lamborn’s earmarks for the fiscal year that began in October totalling $21.73 million, easily surpassing the $13.37 million total of Democratic Rep. John Salazar. … Lamborn, whose district includes Colorado Springs, said Tuesday that the watchdog's group definition was too broad, and
that it should not have included the seven military-related funding requests it attributed to him. 'I don't ask for earmarks,' he said. 'Earmarks are done in the middle of the night.' Lamborn said his funding requests 'go through the entire process in the light of day. These requests start out in the authorizing committee. They are subject to amendment and debate in committee. Then they go to the floor of the House and they're once again subject to amendment and debate.' He also said that because all his funding requests were defense-related, 'they addressed a national issue,' and therefore did not serve a local interest even if they were for projects in and around Colorado Springs." ("Lamborn Tops In Earmarks, Watchdog Says," The Gazette, 4/1/09)

- NOTE: "When he challenged Lamborn in the Republican primary last year, Jeff Crank hammered the incumbent over his earmarks, which according to the 2008 "Pig Book" totalled $17.15 million. 'We just had this campaign that was supposedly about change,' Crank said Tuesday, 'and now there's more earmarks than ever before, and I think the American people have had enough.' But Crank declined to criticize his rival, accepting the notion that the military projects embraced by Lamborn do not qualify as earmarks." ("Lamborn Tops In Earmarks, Watchdog Says," The Gazette, 4/1/09)

Lamborn’s Support For 2004 In State Tuition For Illegal Alien Children Noted. “Five years ago, a Republican-controlled Senate approved an amended bill that would have made the children of illegal immigrants eligible to pay in-state tuition. The bill, which passed 34-1, closely resembles an immigrant-tuition bill introduced this year that could be debated in the Senate as early as today. The current bill’s sponsor, Sen. Chris Romer, D-Denver, said he doesn’t know whether he has enough votes to get it passed or how the bill might be amended to make it more palatable. Among the Republicans who voted for the 2004 measure were the sponsor, then-Senate President John Andrews, R-Centennial, and Sen. Doug Lamborn, now a congressman from El Paso County.” (Lynn Bartels, “Past Immigrant Tuition Bill Won Votes From GOP,” The Denver Post, 4/6/09)

VIDEO: Lamborn On Guantanamo: “It seems like President Obama is bound and determined to bring these Gitmo detainees onto U.S. soil, which is a horrible idea for a lot of reasons. They gain U.S. constitutional rights which really complicates being able to convict them in a federal court because we'll have to compromise intelligence sources. It's not just we don't want them in our backyard, we don't want them in anybody's backyard.” (Fox News' “On The Record,” 5/22/09)

Lamborn Voiced Concern Regarding Sotomayor. Lamborn: “I congratulate Judge Sotomayor on her nomination and I look forward to a confirmation process that focuses on determining whether Judge Sotomayor is qualified to serve on the Supreme Court. Qualifications for judicial service include not only experience and character but, most importantly, a proper understanding of the power and role of judges in our system of government. Judges must decide cases based on the law, not on their personal views or opinions. …However, I am concerned with her record of putting identity politics before the rule of law. It raises serious issues about her ability to reach fair and impartial decisions. Judge Sotomayor has made a habit of embracing extreme views during her time on the lower courts. Now, as she is considered for the high court, Americans are left to wonder if she will exercise basic standards of objectivity. In light of Judge Sotomayor's liberal activist approach to judicial interpretation, I call on my colleagues in the Senate to thoroughly examine her record as they consider her nomination.” (“What They're Saying About Sotomayor, Obama’s Supreme Court Pick,” Denver Business Journal, 5/26/09)

Lamborn Wrote Op-Ed Against Obamacare. “There they go again. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and President Barack Obama, apparently not content to just take over the auto industry, the financial industry, and the energy industry, are now intent on nationalizing our health care system. It would be a disaster for both our economy and our health. … The CBO estimates taxpayers will pay more than $1.2 trillion over the next 10 years for a government-run free health care plan. To try to pay for this, Democrats want to impose a new 8 percentage point payroll tax on employers who don’t provide health insurance for employees. Businesses will also have to pay the majority of the cost of employees' premiums, which will come right out of wages and profits, and both individuals
and small businesses will pay expensive surcharges depending on their income. These kinds of tax hikes will inevitably lead to job cuts and ultimately the same chronic unemployment Europe has experienced under nationalized health care. Obama's own chief economic advisor, Christina Romer, has estimated that the economy will shed an additional 4.7 million jobs as a result of additional business taxes. If you like your insurance now, as the majority of Americans do, under Democrat reform plans, you probably won't be able to keep it. ... The good news is that if we reject nationalized health care, there are many free-market reforms that can lower the cost of health care. I support commonsense solutions such as giving the same tax breaks corporations enjoy to everyone who purchases health insurance on their own. I would like to provide immediate and substantial financial assistance, through new tax credits, to low- and modest-income Americans.” (Doug Lamborn, Op-Ed, “Health Proposal Too Expensive, Intrusive To Be Good For Nation,” The Gazette, 8/9/09)

**Lamborn's Town Hall Turned Chaotic.** “The third act of Rep. Doug Lamborn's town hall meetings on health care reform - held on Thursday night in Colorado Springs - turned out to be much more political theater than policy substance. The overflow crowd at the Valley Hi Golf Course clubhouse was spilling out of the room an hour before the meeting began. People waved signs supporting both sides of the debate, stood on chairs and called one another down with screams of 'Lie!' and 'Shut up!'” (Bill Reed, ‘Town Hall Meeting Turns Chaotic,' The Gazette, 8/28/09)

**Lamborn's Honduras Visit Upset Administration.** “Colorado Rep. Doug Lamborn is returning from Honduras on a trip that angered the administration. Lamborn spokeswoman Catherine Mortenson says Lamborn joined three other Republicans Friday to meet interim Honduras President Roberto Micheletti. The trip chafed some in the White House. The Obama administration has condemned the coup that brought Micheletti to power. The White House is working to reinstate ousted President Manuel Zelaya.” (‘Lamborn Visits Honduras Despite US Coup Policy,’ The Associated Press, 10/2/09)

**Lamborn Encountered Hecklers At Town Hall Meeting.** “Civility took a beating Monday when Rep. Doug Lamborn held another town hall meeting on the nation's hottest political topic: health care. A vocal minority, less than 10 percent of the estimated 600 people who filled Stargazers Theatre off East Pikes Peak Avenue, heckled the Colorado Republican throughout his opening remarks detailing his opposition to health care measures being considered by Congress. He argued that the various versions of legislation would be a financial burden to American families, strain the health care system and increase the federal deficit. 'It costs too much, controls too much and covers too few,' he said. Lamborn had to deliver much of his message over a cascade of shouts of 'you lie,' borrowed from a Republican congressman's heckling of President Barack Obama. In turn, many in the audience urged the hecklers to shut up or used saltier language. At several points, the shouting got so intense that Lamborn could not be heard, even with the advantage of a microphone and loudspeakers. He kept his composure but interrupted his presentation occasionally to ask for courtesy. Nearly every time Lamborn offered a statistic or cited a report, the hecklers challenged it as false or misleading.” (Dean Toda, ‘Hecklers Gum Up Town Hall Meeting,’ The Gazette, 10/20/09)

**Lamborn On E-Verify And Fast Track:*** Republican U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn said he supports the use of E-Verify, but opposes offering a "fast track" to legalization to undocumented immigrants. 'That sounds like amnesty to me. I believe those individuals who have broken the law and are living here illegally should seek citizenship through the proper channels without any special treatment,' Lamborn said.” (Ivan Moreno, ‘DU Panel: Legalization Of Immigrants Beneficial,’ The Associated Press, 12/10/09)

**2010 News Of Note:**

**Lamborn Wrote Op-Ed Critical Of Obama's Energy Policy; Touted New Energy From Shale.** “Unfortunately, the administration released a budget last week that anticipates a huge drop in revenue from new Outer Continental Shelf leases. The only way revenue would decline is if less of the OCS is offered for leasing for
energy production. In fact, the administration anticipates that over the next five years lease revenues will drop below what they were estimated to be in fiscal 2009 - when a Congressional moratorium was in place. This means the Obama administration’s current policies are more restrictive on offshore energy development than the previous moratorium! I urge the president to seriously reconsider his proposals to restrict access to energy. We need an all-of-the-above energy policy that includes tapping both unconventional and conventional energy sources. One of the most promising sources of new energy is natural gas from shale. Today, shale gas and other unconventional natural gas sources such as tight sands and coal bed methane provide more than 47 percent of the natural gas consumed in the U.S. annually. According to the Energy Information Administration, by 2030 these unconventional natural gas resources will provide 56 percent of the natural gas consumed by the United States.

… Republicans have introduced the American Energy Act (H.R. 2846), which is an all-of-the-above solution that offers energy independence, good jobs and a cleaner environment for our nation. The American Energy Act promotes new, clean and reliable sources of energy. But it’s only one of many energy solutions put forth by Republicans in Congress. After hearing Obama’s State of the Union address, I hope he considers how opening up domestic resources, rather than restricting access to them, would accomplish his goal of restoring economic health to our country. (Doug Lamborn, Op-Ed, “Energy Key To Economic Recovery,” Roll Call, 2/8/10)


Lamborn On Obamacare Legislation: “This Fight Is Not Over…I Vow To Do All I Can To Repeal Or Defund This Constitutionally Suspect Bill. We Must And We Will Take Back Our Country.” (Michael Riley, “Exhausted And Relieved, Dems Celebrate Vote,” The Denver Post, 3/22/10)

“The Only Two Republicans In Congress From Colorado, Reps. Doug Lamborn And Mike Coffman, Face Little Serious Democratic Opposition.” (Kristen Wyatt, “Colorado Politicians All Claiming Outsider Status,” The Associated Press, 5/21/10)

“Lamborn, Running For A Third House Term, Is Probably As Close To Unbeatable As Any Incumbent - He’s Never Gotten Less Than 60 Percent Of The Vote.” (“Token Challenge Not Lost On Dem Facing Lamborn,” The Gazette, 6/11/10)

Lamborn Listed As Part Of The Tea Party Caucus. “So far, the Tea Party Caucus has these 28 Republican members from the House: Trent Franks of Arizona; Gary G. Miller of California; Doug Lamborn of Colorado; Gus Bilirakis and Cliff Stearns of Florida; Paul Broun, Phil Gingrey and Tom Price of Georgia; Dan Burton and Mr. Pence of Indiana; Steve King of Iowa; Jerry Moran and Todd Tiahrt of Kansas; John Fleming of Louisiana; Roscoe G. Bartlett of Maryland; Peter Hoekstra of Michigan; Ms. Bachmann of Minnesota; Todd Akin of Missouri; Walter B. Jones of North Carolina; Joe Wilson of South Carolina; Joe L. Barton, John Carter, Michael C. Burgess, John Culberson, Louie Gohmert, Pete Sessions and Lamar Smith of Texas; and Cynthia M. Lummis of Wyoming.” (Janie Lorber, “Republicans Form Caucus For Tea Party In The House,” The New York Times, 7/22/10)

VIDEO: MSNBC’s Rachel Maddow Criticized Lamborn For Hypocrisy On Stimulus Bill. Maddow: “Last year, Congressman Lamborn voted against the stimulus bill. And he voted against it with glee and an exclamation point, saying, quote, ‘This spending bill is a sorry substitute for a comprehensive economic stimulus plan. It will actually weaken our nation’s long-term economic growth.’ Twelve days later, 12 days later, Congressman Lamborn writes to the Obama administration asking for stimulus funds for project to his district, saying, quote, ‘These projects will create jobs.’ The jobs, he wrote, ‘will provide significant stimulus to our state and national economy.’ That was 12 days after he says the stimulus will weaken our nation’s long-term economic growth.” (MSNBC’s “Rachel Maddow Show,” 9/24/10)
• Letter From Colorado Delegation Asking For Stimulus Funds For Projects:

Media Noted A Majority Of Lamborn’s Money Came From PACs. “Lamborn said he held a fundraiser in Washington, D.C., in late September and will be doing a mailer campaign after returning to Colorado this week. Federal elections reports show 59 percent of his fundraising comes from political action committees.” (Elizabeth Miller, “Democrat Challenger In 5th Has No Money,” The Denver Post, 10/2/10)

Denver Post Editorial Endorsing Lamborn: “In the 5th Congressional District, we don’t see eye to eye with Rep. Doug Lamborn on many issues, but we think he represents his district well, and we’ve been pleased to see him working across the aisle on issues important to his district. Lamborn doesn’t have any serious competition in his heavily Republican district.” (Editorial, “Send These Four Back To Congress,” The Denver Post, 10/13/10)

“Republican Incumbent U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn Has Raised $272,000 This Year Compared The $611,000 He Raised Two Years Ago. This Year, Lamborn Faced No Primary Opponents.” (Tom Roeder, “Local Campaigns Top $1 Million,” The Gazette, 10/13/10)

Lamborn Endorsed Tancredo For Governor. “Congressman Doug Lamborn announced his endorsement of Tom Tancredo for Colorado governor at a news conference Thursday in Colorado Springs. ‘Tom is the only elective conservative candidate for governor,’ said Lamborn, a Republican running for a third House term in Colorado’s 5th Congressional District. ‘That means he’s the only candidate who can turn our state around and put us back on the path to prosperity.’” (Mark Barna, “Lamborn Endorses Tancredo For Governor,” The Gazette, 10/21/10)

VIDEO: Lamborn Wanted To Defund Public Broadcasting. “DOUG LAMBORN (R-CO), SPONSORING BILL TO CUT TAXPAYER MONEY FOR CPB: That's right. I've been working on this for a long time. But this fiasco with Juan Williams really adds fuel to the fire. SCOTT: How much taxpayer money actually goes to NPR or the Corporation for Public Broadcasting? LAMBORN: Well, with NPR and its parent, the Corporation for Public Broadcasting, they receive $420 million a year from the taxpayers. And that's been increasing at a rapid rate. A lot more than the rate of inflation. SCOTT: All right, well, you've heard the argument. $420 million in a country like this. That's a drop in the bucket. LAMBORN: But, Jon, we're getting $1 trillion plus deficits now under Barack Obama. We can't afford the luxury of the government being in the broadcasting business. This was all set up years ago when there were hardly any choices. We have hundreds of channels, both TV, radio, the Internet. We simply don't need government to be in this business at all.” (Fox News, 10/22/10)


VIDEO: Lamborn On Healthcare Law: Lamborn: “We will try a bill. We will pass a bill, anything to say we will repeal it. Now, I don’t know if that can pass the Senate, or certainly not the White House, but we’re going to say, let’s repeal it. Then, after that, we are going to start defunding.” (Fox News “Your World With Neil Cavuto,” 12/28/10)


2011 News Of Note:

“Colorado's Congressional Delegation Split 4-3 Along Party Lines In Wednesday's Vote On The Repeal Of Federal Health Care Reform Legislation. Republicans Scott Tipton, Cory Gardner, Doug Lamborn And Mike Coffman Voted 'Yes' For Repeal, And Democrats Diana Degette, Jared Polis And Ed Perlmutter Voted 'No.'” (“Colorado Delegation Toes Party Lines In 4-3 Split Vote,” The Denver Post, 1/20/11)

Lamborn Office Didn’t Know How To Get Money To Certain Projects With New Earmark Ban. “Republicans such as Rep. Doug Lamborn of Colorado Springs, who secured more than $50 million in earmarks for military bases and defense contractors since 2008, do not have a better answer. ‘At this point, we don’t have any answer about what we’re going to do,’ said Catherine Mortensen, a Lamborn spokeswoman.” (Allison Sherry, “Earmark Adieu Leaves Void,” The Denver Post, 2/4/11)


Lamborn Listed As One Of Most Conservative Members In House By National Journal. “These five guys were budget-cutting hawks long before the tea party ever sent out invitations. Reps.Trent Franks, R-Ariz,.Randy Neugebauer, R-Tex.,Doug Lamborn, R-Colo.,Jim Jordan, R-Ohio., andSam Johnson, R-Tex., are tied for the most conservative members of the House, according to National Journal's 2010 rating of votes by the 100 senators and 435 representatives. Each registered a composite score of 95.0 in their roll call votes last year on issues that reflected ideological differences between members.” (Billy House, “The Most Conservative Members Of The House,” The National Journal, 2/24/11)

Lamborn Wrote Op-Ed Criticizing Administration For Crippling Regulations On Energy Issues. “Not since the Great Depression has America faced an unemployment crisis like the one we are living through now. The average job seeker has been out of work for almost 40 weeks. Forty-three-and-a-half -million Americans are on food stamps. The Obama Administration's answer has included a massive increase in federal regulations on America's job creators. Nowhere is this troubling trend more evident than in domestic energy production on our public lands. In 2008, the federal government raised more than $23 billion from the royalties and bids that companies paid taxpayers for access to energy reserves on public lands. Today, with oil prices at or near the same level, the revenue estimates for this fiscal year are about $7.5 billion, a decline of more than 60 percent. At a time of record national debt and unemployment, Congress must review this decline and consider ways to reinvigorate this vital revenue source. Besides being the second greatest source of federal revenue after taxes, energy leases on federal lands lead to the creation of thousands of high paying jobs. President Obama's de facto moratorium on offshore drilling in the Gulf of Mexico, on the other hand, has left thousands of people out of work. The Administration, in attempting to create new rules for oil and gas permitting, has repeatedly changed the rules
and moved the goalposts on companies operating on both federal lands and waters. Instead of thoughtful, reasoned rulemaking that seeks public comments and engagement, the administration created regulatory confusion by directing the change of over 14,000 engineering requirements. This same regulatory uncertainty is happening with solar energy in the Western United States. While the administration has announced that solar energy is one of its highest priorities, it has once again created tremendous regulatory confusion. The new solar energy zones proposal, while potentially helping some solar development, has left dozens of major energy projects with absolutely no regulatory path forward. The regulatory confusion on federal lands is even worse for onshore oil and gas production. Rule changes and regulations have cost billions in lost investment in the West. In Colorado, there’s been nearly a 90 percent drop in new leases on federal land.” (Doug Lamborn, Op-Ed, “Overregulation Cripples Western Energy Production,” The Gazette, 3/7/11)

House Passed Lamborn Sponsored Bill To Defund NPR. “After a contentious debate and over procedural objections from Democrats, the House voted Thursday to prevent federal funds from going to National Public Radio, the latest move by the Republican majority to target the broadcaster. The proposal, sponsored by Rep. Doug Lamborn (R-Colo.), passed the House 228 to 192, with one Republican, freshman Rep. Justin Amash (Mich.), voting present. All Republicans except for Amash and seven who voted no, supported the measure. And all Democrats present voted against it.” (Felicia Sonmez, “In A Heated Vote, House Approves Bill To Defund National Public Radio,” The Washington Post, 3/18/11)

Lamborn Opposed Over-Regulation On Fracking. “Interior Secretary Ken Salazar earlier this year moved to more closely regulate fracking fluids on gas mining on U.S. Bureau of Land Management land. The issue faces a battle in the GOP-controlled House, where DeGette and Polis will probably confront two fellow Colorado delegation members, Republican Reps. Cory Gardner and Doug Lamborn, who oppose the federal government telling states how to regulate the practice. ‘I don’t think we need a federal bureaucracy piled atop of state regulations at this time; states are doing a very good job,’ said Lamborn, a member of the natural gas caucus. ‘If we make it more difficult and costly and time consuming to bring energy to the market, it doesn’t help our economy.’” (Allison Sherry, “Friction Over Fracking Fluids Prompts Bill,” The Denver Post, 3/22/11)

Lamborn Accused Administration Of “Slow Walking” Drilling Permits. “The Interior Department’s Bureau of Ocean Energy Management, Regulation and Enforcement has approved 52 shallow-water wells since new safety requirements were imposed last June, and it has issued permits for 13 deep-water wells that had been blocked by the moratorium. That is still too slow, said Rep. Doug Lamborn, R-Colo., who argued that the administration was engaged in an ‘intentional slow walking of drilling permits (that) has cost 12,000 jobs, according to their own estimates.’” (Jennifer A. Dlouhy, ‘Democrats Go After Oil Giants’ Tax Breaks,” The Houston Chronicle, 5/11/11)


NOTE: “After A Backlash From Business Leaders And Fellow Republicans For His Push To Revoke Funding For The National Renewable Energy Laboratory, U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn Said This Week That He Didn’t Know The Federal Funds He Was Targeting Affected The Venerable Facility In Golden.” (Allison Sherry, “Lamborn Says NREL Wasn’t In His Sights,” The Denver Post, 6/15/11)

Media Noted Lamborn’s “Love-Hate” Relationship With Earmarks. “After taking control of the House of Representatives last November, congressional Republicans came up with a surefire way to cut government spending and shrink the federal deficit - ban earmarks. U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn, who represents Colorado Springs, wrote an editorial supporting the ban, and targeted what he called ‘an important first step toward fundamentally changing the way taxpayer dollars are spent in Washington.’ By the time he threw his support behind the ban, Lamborn had requested at least $156 million in earmarks, much of it for military bases in his Colorado district, but also tens of millions in contracts for companies that had donated to his campaign. From the 2008 through 2010 fiscal years, Lamborn got the second-highest amount of earmark money of the 10 Colorado House members who served during those years, including three who were in the House for a part of that time - Reps. Marilyn Musgrave, Tom Tancredo and Sen. Mark Udall. Lamborn obtained just under $55 million in earmark money, roughly a third of what he asked for. … Corporations that received government contracts, part due to Lamborn's requests, contributed $72,000 to his campaign fund.” (John Schroyer, “Lamborn's Love-Hate Relationship With Earmarks,” The Gazette, 6/18/11)

Breakdown Of Lamborn Earmarks And Contributions, According To The Gazette:

- “Lamborn Asked The Appropriations Committee For $67 Million For Military Projects That Went To Campaign Donors, But Those Companies Ultimately Received Only $12.32 Million In Contracts.” (John Schroyer, “Lamborn's Love-Hate Relationship With Earmarks,” The Gazette, 6/18/11)

- Earmark Requests For Military Purchases From 10 Companies Who Gave To Campaign. “For the 2009 and 2010 fiscal years, Lamborn requested earmark money for military purchases from 10 companies who have given to his campaign. - The Goodrich Corp. has given Lamborn $11,000 since 2007. Lamborn requested a $12 million contract in 2008 for the Air Force to pay for ejection seats made by Goodrich, and asked for $7 million the following year for the same purchase. Congress awarded nearly $8 million for the ejection seats in those two years. -Aeroflex has given Lamborn just over $3,000, and in 2009, he obtained an earmark for the military worth $1.6 million, to buy “radiation hardened non-volatile memory technology” from the company. -The owner of Colorado Engineering, Inc., gave Lamborn $500 after he had requested a $3 million contract for the Air Force to buy a sophisticated radar system from them. The company received a $1.6 million contract for the 2010 fiscal year. -Analytical Graphics has donated just over $3,000 to Lamborn's campaign, and in 2009, Lamborn helped the military get $800,000 to buy "deployable space and electronic warfare tools" that the company produces. -Sturman Industries received the same amount in 2008, after donating $1,250 to Lamborn's campaign. Northrop Grumman and Raytheon, which work together often on government contracts, have given Lamborn a total of $30,000 since 2007. Lamborn asked the -Appropriations Committee to approve language for the 2010 Defense appropriations bill that would support increased funding for one of the pair's joint projects and continued funding for another. Other earmarks Lamborn requested and obtained went directly to government agencies, including Colorado’s three Air Force bases, Fort Carson, the University of Colorado at Colorado Springs, and the National Renewable Energy Laboratory in Golden. Just under $55 million in other earmark requests for Lamborn campaign contributors were not approved. -A company called 21st Century Systems has given Lamborn $3,500, and for the 2009 and 2010 fiscal years, Lamborn requested just over $11 million for the military to purchase software from the company. The request wasn't approved. -Ball Aerospace has given Lamborn $4,500, and he submitted an earmark request for a $3 million contract in 2010 for the Air Force to buy an antenna array from them. The request also was not granted. -The Harris Corporation has given Lamborn $14,000 since 2007, and in 2009, he asked Congress for a $2 million contract for the National Geospatial Intelligence Agency, to pay the
corporation to develop a sophisticated data accessing program. Congress didn't approve it.” (John Schroyer, “Lamborn's Love-Hate Relationship With Earmarks,” The Gazette, 6/18/11)

- **Four Companies In Colorado, Six Out Of State.** “Four of the companies Lamborn requested contracts for are based in Colorado, and six are not. In-state companies that Lamborn requested earmarks for and have contributed to his campaign include Colorado Engineering, Inc., of Colorado Springs; Ball Aerospace, of Broomfield; and Sturman Industries, of Woodland Park. The other six companies Lamborn requested contracts for include the Goodrich Corp., of North Carolina; 21st Century Systems, of Nebraska; Aeroflex, of New York City; the Harris Corp., of Florida; Raytheon, of Massachusetts; and Northrop Grumman, of Los Angeles. Several of those companies have facilities and offices in Colorado Springs.” (John Schroyer, “Lamborn's Love-Hate Relationship With Earmarks,” The Gazette, 6/18/11)


Lamborn Seemed To Initially Support Boehner Debt Ceiling Plan. “Colorado's Republican congressmen decided to risk going all-in with their support of a House compromise plan Thursday - saying that although the plan wasn't ideal, it was time for leadership to act. Despite drawing ire from Tea Party conservatives, Reps. Scott Tipton, Mike Coffman, Doug Lamborn and Cory Gardner decided to join House Speaker John Boehner's team and support his two-part plan to raise the debt ceiling. Though the congressmen were left waiting for a vote that hadn't come by Thursday night, they said supporting Boehner was the right thing to do to untie the Gordian knot surrounding the debt ceiling.” (Caitlin Gibbons, “Colorado GOP Reps Back Boehner Despite Tea Party Misgivings,” The Denver Post, 7/29/11)

The Denver Post Noted How Lamborn Had Previously Never Supported A Debt Ceiling Increase. “Rep. Doug Lamborn never trusted Treasury Secretary Timothy Geithner's prediction that if Congress fails to increase the debt ceiling, the United States will run short on cash to pay its bills. The Colorado Springs Republican has also never voted, since he took office in January 2007, to increase the debt ceiling - even during the Bush administration. The debt ceiling has been raised six times during his tenure. But over the course of this month, Lamborn sat through talks, including a notable one given by Bush administration economists, and been given a ream of charts and graphs from people he trusts. They have shown the U.S. pays about 80 million separate bills a month and borrows 42 cents for every dollar it spends. Not allowing the U.S. to increase its borrowing limit in the next few days could mean 'uncharted territory' for the country, Lamborn said. 'Being educated as to the ins and outs shows how complex of a situation we're in.'” (Allison Sherry, “Colorado Delegation Frets Over Gridlock,” The Denver Post, 7/31/11)


In The End, Lamborn Voted Against Raising Debt Ceiling. “Rep. Diana DeGette says the bill passed by the House to avert a federal government default is extreme and unbalanced, but Rep. Mike Coffman says it's a move in the right direction. DeGette was the lone Democrat in Colorado's House delegation to vote Monday against the legislation, which would raise the nation's debt ceiling and trim spending. Reps. Ed Perlmutter and Jared Polis voted for it, though Perlmutter said he wasn't happy with all of the bill. Among Colorado Republicans, Coffman and Rep. Cory Gardner voted for it. Republicans Doug Lamborn and Scott Tipton voted against it, with Tipton
saying the bill left $400 billion in proposed cuts up in the air." ("Colo. House Delegation Split On Debt Ceiling Bill," The Associated Press, 8/2/11)

"U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn Met With Black Community Leaders In Fountain On Friday And Apologized For Calling The President A ‘Tar Baby’ In A Radio Interview." (Allison Sherry, "Lamborn Apologizes To Black Leaders For ‘Tar Baby’ Comment," The Denver Post, 8/20/11)

Sportsman Alliance Attacked Lamborn For Anti-Hunting And Fishing Move. "On Tuesday the Bull Moose Sportsmen's Alliance, which advocates for gun rights and anything that makes life better for hunters and fishermen, took Lamborn to task for sponsoring a budget amendment that would have eliminated money for land acquisition for the Bureau of Land Management, the U.S. Forest Service, the National Park Service and the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. The Bull Moose outfit, named in honor of former President Teddy Roosevelt's last political hurrah, registered its disappointment with a billboard, which bashes Lamborn near the intersection of Platte Avenue and Chelton Road, across the street from Sportsmen's Warehouse, the outdoor recreation retailer. ‘Surprised?’ the billboard asks. "Congressman Lamborn voted to gut the Land and Water Conservation Fund, limiting access to hunting and fishing in Colorado." The GOP-controlled House reduced the fund drastically, to $62 million. Lamborn's suggested number: zero. 'I was shocked when I saw the amendment,' said Gaspar Perricone, a Bull Moose Sportsmen's Alliance spokesman. 'It's contrary to the hunting and fishing community.' In a statement, Lamborn said the criticism is unfair: ‘The billboard has it all wrong. We are drowning in debt, and we have to draw the line somewhere. The federal government already owns more than a third of all land in Colorado. The people of Colorado enjoy tremendous opportunities to hunt and fish. Our priority must be on protecting and preserving the lands we already have.’" (Barry Noreen, "Lamborn Lambasted Again," The Gazette, 8/30/11)

Lamborn Explained His Changed Position On Funding Bill. "This week, the Republican representative talked about why he switched his vote on a controversial funding bill in late September, and his take on why the Republican base doesn't seem satisfied with the the field of potential presidential candidates. The funding bill, pushed by GOP leadership, initially failed because 48 House Republicans opposed it. Two days later, after roughly $100 million was stripped from the Department of Energy, 24 Republicans - including Lamborn - changed their votes, and the bill passed on Sept. 23. The measure would fund the federal government for six weeks, but is languishing in the Senate. The Gazette: What were the circumstances surrounding the vote on the funding bill, and why did you change your mind? Lamborn: There were two differences between the original vote and the second vote. One is that we de-funded Department of Energy energy loans that have become a boondoggle. So by including those cuts made it a more attractive bill, even though I still wish we were cutting more for the next fiscal year than we are. The second difference is that it became obvious that (Senate Majority Leader) Harry Reid, (D-Nev.) over in the Senate, was spoiling for a fight and was willing to contrive circumstances to make Republicans look bad. And that is something we didn't want to go along with, because that takes attention away from where it should be, and that is on the White House. The bad economy is a direct result of the bad economic policies that this White House has promoted, so we want the attention to be on that." (John Schroyer, "Lamborn Not Ready To Back Any GOP Presidential Candidate," The Gazette, 10/1/11)

The Associated Press Noted Lamborn's Shale Hearing. "Rep. Doug Lamborn wants the Interior Department to offer more land for companies to lease for research on how to commercially develop oil shale. The Colorado Republican's proposal to require more leases to be offered was part of a hearing before a House subcommittee Friday. Companies already are drilling shale formations to extract liquid oil. But they're still researching how to economically produce oil from oil shale, which contains kerogen that must be heated at high temperatures before it can release oil. Six leases of federal land for oil shale research were awarded in 2007. Three applications for more leases of federal land in Colorado and Utah are under review. Interior Secretary Ken Salazar has said questions remain over how oil shale development would affect the West's water supplies." ("Rep. Lamborn's Oil Shale Proposal Gets A Hearing," The Associated Press, 11/18/11)

Democrats Accused Lamborn Of Circumventing Earmark Ban; Lamborn Called Report A “Joke” And Full Of “Shoddy Research.” “Republican Rep. Doug Lamborn is targeted in a report that slams members of the U.S. House for supposedly reneging on a self-imposed earmark ban, charging that the three-term congressman from Colorado Springs accrued $30 million in provisions to be tacked onto next year's defense authorization bill. Conducted over several months by the office of Missouri Democratic Sen. Claire McCaskill, the report notes that Republican House members ‘attempted to circumvent their own ban on earmarks, and that hundreds were secretly attached to the House's National Defense Authorization Act for 2012.’ … Released Monday, the report deems that three amendments that Lamborn - a member of the House Armed Services Committee, which oversaw the bill - asked for in the legislation were earmarks. The report says a special fund was created by the chairman to allow the committee members to easily offset their earmark spending as required by committee rules and that these amendments were adopted in large groups with little or no debate. Lamborn declined to discuss the amendments. He did, however, issue a statement via e-mail that called McCaskill's study a ‘joke,’ saying she has created her own definition of an earmark that is out of line with reality. Lamborn is the only member of the Colorado delegation listed in the study. The report outlines what it calls a $20 million earmark by Lamborn for support-enabling technologies and infrastructure in Colorado Springs. The other two $5 million earmarks were to go to companies outside his district and were geared toward the development of advanced sensors. ‘The provisions that she has raised concerns about are not in the bill. They were dropped from the bill months ago as it moved through the House and before it got to conference,’ said Claude Chafin, a spokesman for Rep. Buck McKeon, R-Calif, the chairman of the House Armed Services Committee. Moreover, he said McCaskill labeled any change in spending levels as an earmark, ignoring congressional budget authority to set spending priorities. ‘Her shoddy ‘research’ has led to wildly inaccurate conclusions. Her report reflects a fundamental ignorance on the role of Congress in federal spending,’ Lamborn said in an e-mail. House rules prohibit earmarks in all bills. Pursuant to that, the House Armed Services Committee has a very stringent and involved process in place to ensure the National Defense Authorization Act is free of earmarks.”” (Kurtis Lee, “Democrat's Report Criticizes Colorado Congressman,” The Denver Post, 12/14/11)

2012 News Of Note:

NOTE: Media Analysis Ends On February 28th.

Lamborn Wrote Op-Ed Proposing Budget Without Borrowing; Introduced Legislation. “I propose a simple New Year's resolution for Congress - pass a budget before borrowing any more money. Some may be shocked to learn that the Senate has not passed a budget in three years. Despite that, or perhaps because of that, Washington's borrowing and spending continues out of control. Earlier this month, President Obama sought the approval of Congress for yet another increase to the nation's borrowing limit. This approval will ultimately be granted unless two-thirds of both the House and Senate object. I am absolutely voting against this increase. … I have introduced a bill to stop this madness. The Budget Before Borrowing Act is a straightforward, no-gimmicks approach to spending money. It very simply says that the nation cannot raise the debt ceiling limit unless the House and the Senate have agreed to a budget resolution. This can only be waived with a vote of two-thirds of the Members in both Houses. The premise is simple. To get our spending under control, we must actually set spending priorities and put a plan forward to reduce our national debt of $15.2 trillion. It is bad enough to borrow like there is no tomorrow. But to do so without even a budget in place is simply wrong.” (Doug Lamborn, Op-Ed, “Budget Before Borrowing Act Would End Spending Madness,” The Gazette, 1/17/12)
Lawmakers Who Accepted The Most Travel Last Year Included Reps. Jim Cooper (D-Tenn.), George Miller (D-Calif.) And Doug Lamborn (R-Colo.), Who Each Went On Excursions That Totaled More Than $45,000.” (Amanda Becker, “Lawmakers Travel Far On Private Dime,” Roll Call, 1/18/12)

Lamborn Announced Re-Election Effort; Attacked Blaha For No Voting Record. “Embattled within his own party, three term Colorado Springs U.S. Rep. Doug Lamborn on Saturday told a gathering of GOP faithful that he will seek re-election. Lamborn kicked off his campaign by setting his sights on President Barack Obama, who he blames for overspending, overreaching on health care and endangering national security by backing Pentagon cuts, which could carve as much as $100 billion from the Defense Department's $700 billion budget. He faces a June primary, but his campaigning will be curtailed by battles in Congress. ‘There will be some continual need to be in Washington voting to stem the tide of Barack Obama's policies,’ Lamborn said Saturday. There was little doubt that Lamborn would seek to keep his seat. The only surprise is that Lamborn could face a real fight. Lamborn faces a GOP primary against Colorado Springs businessman Robert Blaha, who allegedly has enough cash to pay for his own campaign. Blaha founded Human Capital Associates in Colorado Springs, a consulting firm that aims to help businesses trim their expenses while improving quality. On Friday, Blaha started his campaign by blasting Lamborn as a tool of the Washington elite who is out of touch with his constituents. … Lamborn, who has been twice named the biggest conservative in Congress and embraced the Tea Party, said he doesn't understand how he earned a primary in 2012. He said he'll rely on his GOP credentials to beat Blaha. Lamborn can also tout his growing congressional muscle. He heads the Energy and Minerals Subcommittee of the House Natural Resources Committee and sits on the House Armed Services Committee. ‘Most people will not be taken in by someone who has no voting record whatsoever when you've got the real thing already doing the job,' Lamborn said.” (Tom Roeder, “Lamborn Aims For Fourth Term, Faces Primary Fight,” The Gazette, 1/21/12)

Lamborn Refused To Attend State Of The Union; Explained Reasons On Fox News. “GRETA VAN SUSTEREN: One Republican Colorado congressman, Doug Lamborn, has announced he will not attend the State of the Union. Congressman Lamborn joins us. Good evening, sir. LAMBORN: Hi, Greta. VAN SUSTEREN: So the speaker thinks that it's going to be pathetic, but he's going to attend. The United States Constitution says that the president shall from time to time report on the state of the union, yet you won't go. Why? LAMBORN: Unfortunately, the president -- although I like him and personally and I respect him and his office, he's going to be talking about the ruinous policies that he's promoting that I believe are taking our country in totally the wrong direction. So as matter of a conscience, Greta, I cannot and will not be there. I'm protesting the fact that he is going to be talking about policies that are leading us in the wrong path. Look at the last three weeks, the Keystone pipeline, defense cuts and these unconstitutional appointments to the National Labor Relations Board. He's doing the wrong things, and I can't be a part of that.” (Fox News, 1/23/12)

Lamborn Said House Would Attach Keystone Pipeline To “Must-Pass” Legislation; Attacked Obama. “Congressman Doug Lamborn didn't mince words when he spoke to local business leaders Monday. El Paso County's Republican representative said President Barack Obama's policies will sink the country if continued, the military is in danger of having to use antiquated equipment, and House Republicans are going to force the president to support the Keystone XL oil pipeline. 'The state of the economy is miserable,' Lamborn said, playing on Obama's recent State of the Union speech, which he boycotted. Lamborn delivered what he called his 'state of the union' to about 100 people at a Greater Colorado Springs Chamber of Commerce luncheon. Lamborn blasted the president for his economic policies, and said what the country needs is a bigger focus on free-market economics. 'The innovation of the private sector is what makes this country great,' he said. The congressman also slammed Obama for withdrawing his support for the Keystone pipeline, which would have funneled oil from Canada to several locations in the U.S. Obama sided with environmental advocates who opposed the project, saying the pipeline hasn't been fully vetted. 'We're going to attach the pipeline to must-pass legislation,' Lamborn
told the room. ‘The environmental arguments against it are bogus.’” (John Schroyer, “Lamborn Pledges To Attach Pipeline To Legislation,” The Gazette, 1/30/12)


“A House Committee Has Approved Colorado Congressman Doug Lamborn’s Bill That Would Require The Interior Department To Offer More Leases On Federal Land For Oil Shale Research And Commercial Development.” (“House Panel OK's Lamborn's Oil Shale Measure,” The Associated Press, 2/2/12)

Local Leaders In Fight With Lamborn Over Shale. “Western Slope mayors and community leaders are fighting mad at Rep. Doug Lamborn. The Colorado Springs Republican is pushing to open up land to oil shale development in their communities without taking into account local impacts, they say. In addition, Lamborn's Pioneers Act -- which mandates 125,000 acres of public land for oil shale development and exploration -- gives local communities and the state lower royalty rates than traditional oil and gas leases. 'It's not a good deal for us,' said Rifle Mayor Jay Miller, a Republican. 'We're not against oil shale or gas development here, we just want it done in a way that doesn't drive us into the ground.' Mayors and county commissioners say they're concerned about many parts of Lamborn's proposal, including the fact the promise of oil shale is merely speculative and it has no viable commercial market yet. Lamborn's measure passed out of a House committee this week.” (Allison Sherry, “W. Slope Leaders Slam Lamborn On Shale Issues,” The Denver Post, 2/3/12)

- **Western Slope Leaders Worried About Water Rights And Keeping Up On Roads, Etc.** “But Western Slope leaders are worried that, if oil shale ever does start to make money, tiny towns like Rifle will not be able to keep up on road and water-treatment plants' wear and tear. They're also worried about water rights: If oil shale becomes viable, the need for water in the desert could pit energy companies against residents and agriculture.” (Allison Sherry, “W. Slope Leaders Slam Lamborn On Shale Issues,” The Denver Post, 2/3/12)

- **Lamborn Accused Mayors And Community Leaders Of Not Telling The Truth About Contacting Him.** “Lamborn said he didn't know the Western Slope mayors and community leaders were trying to contact him. He said he didn't receive their December letter or a message from any staffer after they tried to get a meeting with him when they visited Washington last fall. ‘Someone is not telling the truth and it isn't me,’ he said, from his D.C. office Thursday. ‘I'll meet with them at anytime. That's not the issue. Now that I know about it, I'll meet with them tonight.’” (Allison Sherry, “W. Slope Leaders Slam Lamborn On Shale Issues,” The Denver Post, 2/3/12)

Lamborn Only Member Of Colorado Delegation Who Didn’t Sign Wind Energy Tax Credit Letter. “Colorado lawmakers from both parties are trying to save a federal incentive for the wind industry. Eight members of the congressional delegation signed a letter Tuesday asking for an extension of the wind energy production tax credit. A conference committee is negotiating the fate of the credit, which is due to expire at the end of the year. Rep. Doug Lamborn of Colorado Springs is the only delegation member who didn’t sign on.” (“Colorado Lawmakers Try To Save Wind Tax Credit,” The Associated Press, 2/7/12)

Lamborn Was Tied For First As Most Conservative Member Of The House. “These are the members at the far end of the ideological spectrum, based on National Journal’s 2011 vote ratings. … Most Conservative; 1st (tie); Diane Black, R-Tenn.: 94.0 (Composite Conservative score); Stephen Fincher, R-Tenn.: 94.0 (Composite Conservative score); Phil Gingrey, R-Ga.: 94.0 (Composite Conservative score); Doug Lamborn, R-Colo.: 94.0 (Composite Conservative score); Bob Latta, R-Ohio: 94.0 (Composite Conservative score); Jeff Miller, R-Fla.: 94.0 (Composite Conservative score); Tom Price, R-Ga.: 94.0 (Composite Conservative score); Ben Quayle, R-Ariz.: 94.0 (Composite Conservative score); Dennis Ross, R-Fla.: 94.0 (Composite Conservative score); Lynn Westmoreland, R-Ga.: 94.0 (Composite Conservative score).” (“Most Liberal, Most Conservative,” The National Journal, 2/23/12)

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It is hard to establish a legacy as a junior member of the minority party, but Lamborn managed this achievement: He is one of the most reliably conservative members of the House. Now in the majority, he chairs the Natural Resources Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources, a plum assignment for a Coloradan.

He will be the point man for Republicans’ “all of the above” energy proposals, which include pushing for development of renewable sources along with increased production of oil, natural gas and coal. “America was built on abundant and affordable energy. President Obama’s policy of locking-up energy goes against what makes America great,” Lamborn wrote in a Washington Examiner op-ed in early 2011.

During his first four years in Congress, Lamborn sided with Republicans on 99 percent of the votes that pitted the majority of each party against each other. He received a perfect 100 rating in 2009 from the American Conservative Union and got a score of 90 percent or above from the National Taxpayers Union each year from 2007 to 2009.

“I am proud of that,” Lamborn said. “I am standing up for and not compromising conservative values, which is very much the desire of at least a majority of my district.” The 5th, site of the Air Force Academy, also is home to a number of evangelical groups, including Focus on the Family.

Lamborn is a reliable vote on social conservative agenda items, opposing abortion and defending gun owners’ rights. A member of the Armed Services Committee, he opposed congressional action to repeal the armed forces’ “don’t ask, don’t tell” policy that bars gays from serving openly.

He also has taken the lead on more esoteric areas of concern to the right. In 2009, Lamborn launched the Congressional Sovereignty Caucus with Republicans Thaddeus McCotter of Michigan and Scott Garrett of New Jersey to “protect and defend the rights of American citizens and the interests of American institutions from the increasing influence of international organizations and multilateral agreements.”

Lamborn also joined nine of his colleagues in launching the 10th Amendment Task Force, a project of the Republican Study Committee (a group of the House GOP’s most conservative lawmakers). The task force’s goal is to “develop and promote proposals to disperse power, decision-making and money from Washington back to states, local governments and individuals.”
He has been a leader in efforts to end federal funding for public broadcasting entities, a task being renewed with vigor in the 112th Congress (2011-12). “I have nothing against NPR, despite what appeared to be liberal bias in their mishandling of [the firing of journalist] Juan Williams,” he wrote in The Hill newspaper. “What I oppose is subsidizing an organization that no longer provides, if it ever did, an essential government service.” The House folded his proposal to eliminate public broadcasting funding into the fiscal 2011 spending bill the chamber passed in February 2011.

Lamborn is as committed to fiscal conservatism as he is the social variety. But, before the GOP instituted a moratorium, he differentiated himself from some conservatives by seeking funding for earmarks. He distinguished his requests by seeking funding only for defense-related items. Unlike local road or water projects, he says, defense projects deliver value to all taxpayers. Still, when House Republicans adopted their ban, Lamborn was on board. “I am going along wholeheartedly . . . because we have to reform the way things are done because of the abuses that other people do.”

The 5th District is home to five major military installations and more than 100,000 veterans, and one of his primary legislative initiatives on the Veterans’ Affairs Committee has been the establishment of a national veterans cemetery in southern Colorado. In April 2010, Lamborn announced that the Department of Veterans Affairs had confirmed it is reviewing sites there for a new cemetery.

Lamborn is an avid hiker and said one of his hobbies is climbing the dozens of 14,000-foot peaks in the state. A member of the Natural Resources Committee, during the 110th Congress (2007-08) he led an effort to turn Colorado’s famous Pikes Peak into a national monument. Local agencies criticized him for not telling them first, and some officials said it would have little effect on the mountain or protection of the land. He later abandoned the effort.

He grew up on a family farm near Leavenworth, Kan. His mother was a homemaker; his father was a farmer, who supplemented the family income by working at a federal penitentiary. He and his three brothers attended a three-room school near Fairmount before graduating from Lansing High School. Lamborn was class valedictorian and went to the University of Kansas as a National Merit Scholar. He graduated with a journalism degree and later earned a law degree, then worked for a law firm in Omaha.

As a young lawyer, he once sneaked out in the middle of the night to reclaim a client’s car from an ex-girlfriend, according to the Colorado Springs Gazette Telegraph.

Lamborn said he was inspired to enter politics when Ronald Reagan was elected president. In 1982, Lamborn ran unsuccessfully for a seat in the Kansas legislature. He moved to Colorado Springs with his wife in 1986 and won a seat in the Colorado House in 1994.


In September 2007, he attracted attention for leaving a message on a Colorado Springs couple’s phone, saying there would be “consequences” if the couple didn’t withdraw a letter criticizing him for accepting money from the Nevada-based International Gaming Technology. Lamborn, who had returned the $1,000 check, later apologized to the couple, saying he meant only that he would report the matter to the county GOP chairman.

In 2008, Crank again challenged Lamborn in the primary. Lamborn won by 14 percentage points, then took 60 percent in the general election. He won almost two-thirds of the vote against Democrat Kevin Bradley in 2010.
If you want to get to know Doug Lamborn the congressional candidate, don't attend his speeches.

Go instead to his legislative record. Lamborn will tell you himself.

No candidate in this six-way Republican primary points as much to his past as the reason he should be the future of the 5th Congressional District. Lamborn, a state senator, brings it up in every speech.

His record reveals a man who has fought tax hikes, abortion rights and attempts to change traditional values throughout his four years in the state House and eight in the Senate. But they also show a man who has had little success getting his bills passed, even when Republicans were in charge of his branch of the legislature.

Lamborn, 52, revels in the struggle, saying he wouldn't change his style to get more bills passed if it meant compromising any of his political ideals.

"Anyone can pass insignificant bills. That's easy. It's much more difficult to pass bills that make a difference," he said. "I'm there to make a difference. And a lot of legislators never make a difference."

Lamborn's background -- and you rarely hear this -- is of a Kansas farm boy who went back to get his law degree after a few years of freelance writing and construction work. Along the way he met his wife, Jeanie, and ran for the Kansas Legislature at the age of 28, grabbing 45 percent of the vote in a traditionally Democratic district.

What you do hear on the stump are two things: First, Lamborn is proud of his five children ranging in age from 27 to 16, four of whom became Eagle Scouts and two of whom were National Merit scholars.

Second, nobody has a more conservative voting record in the Legislature on issues like abortion and taxes.

Lamborn's proudest accomplishment was sponsoring a $1 billion income-tax cut signed into law by Gov. Bill Owens in 1999. He carries his "billion-dollar pen" from the signing ceremony to forums.

Behind that on his accomplishment list is his 2003 bill to redraw Colorado's congressional districts after a judge had set them in a way that pleased Democrats the year before. It passed on a purely partisan vote and it was later overturned by a court, but Lamborn was proud.

Littered around his accomplishments is a litany of bills that have died in committees. He tried to prohibit mail-ballot elections, exempt active-duty military from state income tax and allow parents to get minor children's library records, all without success.

Almost every year, Lamborn has proposed some curb to abortion and failed. He's tried to define the beginning of life at conception, require abortion clinics to be licensed by the Health Department and prevent abortions past 19 weeks' gestation.

"I don't want to look back when my life is over and have to admit I didn't do everything I could to stop something evil that was happening," he said recently at his dinner table.
These are the things Lamborn wants to be judged on. This is why having a voting record means so much to him. Talking to Lamborn off the stump, it is sometimes hard to draw conversation out of him.

His wife and sons prompt him to talk about his history and beliefs or tell the story of how, as a young lawyer, he had to sneak in the middle of the night to repossess a client’s car from an ex-girlfriend.

This seems hard to believe, considering that Lamborn has run probably the most aggressive campaign of the pack so far, catching criticism for going negative or distorting facts. He stands by all he’s done, saying that those who won’t run on their records shouldn’t be in the race.

The one nonpolitical subject that seems to stir him is hiking. Lamborn has climbed five of Colorado’s 14,000-foot peaks now, and when he is not campaigning on summer nights, he can usually be seen out trudging trails.

Whether he can outdistance the competition remains to be seen.

### CAMPAIGN FINANCE SUMMARIES

**STATE CAMPAIGNS**


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1996 NOTE: The Top 20 Contributors To Lamborn’s Campaign Were All PACs, Businesses Or Associations, Excluding Lamborn’s Own Contribution To His Campaign Of $400. Top Contributor Was Trial Lawyer Association.

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For 1998 Cycle, Lamborn Was Top Contributor To His Campaign; Accounting For More Than 25% Of Total Contributions.
For 2002 Cycle, Philip Morris Was Top Contributor To His Campaign; Trial Lawyers Were Also In Top 10 Contributors:

- **NOTE:** The $1,500 Philip Morris Contribution Was On 10/17/01

- **NOTE:** Denver Post Ran Article Noting Philip Morris Failed Efforts On Contributions And Legislation Before 2002 Cycle. “The world's largest cigarette manufacturer staged one of its costliest lobbying efforts in Colorado legislative history this session, according to a recent tally. Philip Morris Inc. pumped about $63,000 into the campaign coffers of 53 state legislators from both parties just before the session to gain support for a measure to cap the bonds required by tobacco companies when they appeal a court judgment. But bill opponents said the money couldn't overcome the protest from big, nonprofit health organizations. In the end, the bill's sponsor tabled the bill amid accusations and name-calling that she called unprecedented in her 16-year political career. By Colorado standards, $63,000 from "Big Tobacco" in one quarter is big bucks. … The bill's sponsor, Sen. Norma Anderson, has played a key role in helping Colorado disburse its $2.9 billion share of a 1998 national tobacco settlement to education, health and anti-tobacco programs. Anderson, a Lakewood Republican and nonsmoker, said she wanted to ensure that the payments continue and that tobacco companies maintain their constitutional right to appeal judgments against them. When a company is required to put up an amount equal to 100 percent of a judgment in order to appeal it, they don't bother because they can't afford it, she said. … Anderson tabled the measure just before it was scheduled for debate on the Senate floor and was vilified by what she said was misinformation, accusations and name-calling by bill opponents.” (Julia Martinez, “Big Tobacco Cash Wasted In Colorado,” Denver Post, 2/28/02)
FEDERAL CAMPAIGNS

Basic Federal Campaign Overview:

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Federal Campaign News Of Note:


- Background On Mark Bogosian: “Mark is private investor who works exclusively for the Bogosian Family Office. Mark graduated from Duke University in 1978 with a degree in Economics. He also completed the requirements for an accounting degree. Having worked for a number of financial firms, including Gruntal & Co. and E.F. Hutton, he has a thorough understanding of the personnel and habits of Wall Street. His core competence is event-driven arbitrage based on the corporate finance calendar. Mark has served in public office in the Representative Town Meeting in Greenwich, CT. He is a Co-Founder..."
and, at times, the host of the Pikes Peak Economics Club. He is active in various political, educational, religious and charitable organizations.” (Pikes Peak Economics Club Website, https://pikespeakeconomicsclub.com/CMS/PPEC/topics/people/mark-bogosian, Accessed 3/9/12)

**Top 5 Industries, 2006 - 2012**

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**Source of Funds**

- Individual Contributions: $1,061,369 (49%)
- PAC Contributions: $1,039,584 (48%)
- Candidate self-financing: $53,575 (2%)
- Other: $2,346 (0%)


**LEGAL/PERSOMAL VETTING**

**LEGAL CAREER**

**Martindale Profile:**

Douglas L. Lamborn PC
1155 Kelly Johnson Blvd., Ste. 111
Colorado Springs, Colorado
(El Paso Co.)

Practice Areas: Civil Litigation; Real Estate Law; Corporate Law
University of Kansas, B.S.J.
University of Kansas, J.D.
Admitted: 1986

**Lexis/Nexis News Of Note:**

**COLORADO CRIMINAL OR TRAFFIC CASE FILINGS**
Defendant: BOUDREAUX TROY
2305 N. REED ST.
WHEATRIDGE, CO 80033
OFFENSES: 42-4-1409(2) VEHICLE OPERATOR W/O INSURANCE ;
42-3-124(1)(a) EXPIRED LICENSE PLATES
Filing Date: 10/2/1996
Case Number: C04196T 000517
Filing Type: TRAFFIC
Case Type: TRAFFIC - MOTOR VEHICLE
Status: OPEN ACTV
Court: COUNTY COURT, MOFFAT
County: MOFFAT
State: COLORADO
Defense Attorney: LAMBORN DOUGLAS L

COLORADO CRIMINAL OR TRAFFIC CASE FILINGS
Defendant: FRANZEN GARY LEIGH
4620 N. REED ST.
WHEATRIDGE, CO 80033
OFFENSES: 42-2-138(1)(a) DRIVING WHEN LICENSE UNDER
RESTRAINT ; 42-4-1409(1) OPERATING VEHICLE W/O
INSURANCE ; 42-3-123(2) LICENSE PLATE VIOLATIONS
Filing Date: 10/2/1996
Case Number: C04196T 000518
Filing Type: TRAFFIC
Case Type: TRAFFIC - DRIVING UNDER SUSPENSION
Status: OPEN ACTV
Court: COUNTY COURT, MOFFAT
County: MOFFAT
State: COLORADO
Defense Attorney: LAMBORN DOUGLAS L

COLORADO CIVIL CASE INDEX
Plaintiff: NOBEL SYSCO FOOD SERV CO
Defendant: BOB WILLYS INC OF COLO
\hspace{1cm} WILLIAMS STANLEY C
Filing Date: 10/7/1988
Case Number: D01688CV019622
Court: DISTRICT COURT, DENVER
Filing Type: CIVIL
Case Type: CIVIL - GOODS SOLD & DELIVERED
Status: CLOSED INAC
Close Date: 6/7/1995
Plaintiff Attorney: WESTMAN JAN OLOW
Defense Attorney: LAMBORN DOUGLAS L

LIEN/JUDGMENT AND PROPERTY VETTING
Lamborn Address And Property Characteristics:

Lexis Nexis Address Results For Lamborn:

- 2190 Mulligan Dr
  Colorado Springs, CO 80920-1610
  El Paso County
  (Lexis/Nexis Website, [www.nexis.com](http://www.nexis.com), Accessed 2/5/12)


Lexis Liens/Judgment Search:


No Personal Federal Civil/Criminal Filings Of Note. (Lexis/Nexis Website, [www.nexis.com](http://www.nexis.com), Accessed 2/4/12)

No Personal State Civil/Criminal Filings Of Note. (Lexis/Nexis Website, [www.nexis.com](http://www.nexis.com), Accessed 2/4/12)

FINANCIAL ANALYSIS

Congressional Personal Financial Disclosure Overview:

Lamborn Is Far Less Wealthy Than His Congressional Colleagues:

![Graph showing financial data](http://www.opensecrets.org/pfds/CIDsummary.php?CID=N00028133&year=2010)

2010 Profile:

- **Net Worth:** From $49,007 to $210,000
  - **Rank:** 361st in House
- **Assets:** 6 totaling $49,007 to $210,000
- **Liabilities:** 0
Personal Financial Items Of Note:

2010 Report Shows Lamborn Loan To His Campaign Was Paid In Full, With Lamborn Receiving $1,000-$2,500 In Interest.

Lamborn’s 2009 Travel Showed A Number Of Trips With Family Member.

SCHEDULE VII — TRAVEL PAYMENTS AND REIMBURSEMENTS

Identify the source and list travel itinerary, dates, and nature of expenses provided for travel and travel-related expenses totaling more than $335 received by you, your spouse, or a dependent child during the reporting period. Indicate whether a family member accompanied the traveler at the sponsor’s expense, and the amount of time, if any, that was not at the sponsor’s expense. Disclose is required regardless of whether the expenses were paid directly by the sponsor or were paid by you and reimbursed by the sponsor.

Exclude: Travel-related expenses provided by federal, state, and local governments, or by a foreign government required to be separately reported under the Foreign Gifts and Decorations Act (5 U.S.C. § 7342), political travel that is required to be reported under the Federal Election Campaign Act, travel provided to a spouse or dependent child that is totally independent of his or her relationship to you.

Lamborn’s 2008 Travel Showed A Number Of Trips With Family Member.
Lamborn’s 2005 Personal Financial Disclosure Shows Only $1,000 From Douglas L. Lamborn P.C. Salary.

PERSONAL CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTIONS

State And Federal Contributions Of Note:


SOCIAL MEDIA AND VIDEO VETTING

SOCIAL MEDIA

Congressional Facebook Page:


Twitter Page:


VIDEO

Video Of Note:


- Discusses How Policy Changes Cannot Change Gas Prices Overnight/In The Short Run. Then Criticizes Obama Energy Policy. (0:30-1:05)

- Lamborn: “I think regulations to protect the environment are important and I think we have good regulations already in place.” (19:50-20:15)


- Reporter: “About a week and a half ago, Lamborn lost his cool a bit and told an audience member to ‘shut-up.’” (5:05-5:30)

VIDEO: Lamborn Discusses How Conservative He Is At A Voter Forum: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A1Ppw82O0e0

- Lamborn: “I am a totally conservative representative, 100%.” (YouTube Video, http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=A1Ppw82O0e0, 0:45-0:55, 2/28/12)
VIDEO: Lamborn Discusses Protecting Christmas Symbols:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5KGDP7onk6o

VIDEO: Lamborn Compares President Obama To A “Tar Baby”:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qUgVT56Li7E

VIDEO: Discusses Opposition To Bank Bailout: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Idb5jZDXiew

VIDEO: Lamborn 2008 Campaign Ad: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=0YzDDMQpTlo

VIDEO: Lamborn 2008 Campaign Ad: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4Bb4rkqdF8Q

VIDEO: Lamborn 2008 Campaign Ad: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oBPudHf643o

VIDEO/Audio: Lamborn Calling Constituent Re: Letter To Editor In 2008:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=BORj8VULAWU

VIDEO: Full Video Of Lamborn Telling Audience To “Keep Mouth Shut”:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M3gEgD0seUo (YouTube Video, http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M3gEgD0seUo, 25:05-25:55, 10/5/06)

• VIDEO: Video From Debate Of Lamborn Getting Upset When Interrupted:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M3gEgD0seUo (YouTube Video, http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M3gEgD0seUo, 44:45-45:00, 10/5/06)

• Full Video Of 2006 Debate: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=M3gEgD0seUo

FIELD RESEARCH PLAN

ITEMS OF NOTE

Field Items/Search:

Gift Disclosures: Colorado Secretary Of State
1700 Broadway, Ste 200
Denver, CO 80290

Voting Participation: El Paso County Elections Division
1675 West Garden of the Gods
Colorado Springs, CO 80907

County Court Search: El Paso County Records Center
270 South Tejon
Colorado Springs, CO

Federal Court Search: Alfred A. Arraj United States Courthouse, Room A105
901 19th Street
Denver, CO 80294-3589
Personal Financial Disclosures For State Service:
http://www.sos.state.co.us/pubs/elections/CampaignFinance/requestCopy.html