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## Colorado Channel Goes Live on Comcast 165: January 12th at 10 a.m.

**Denver, CO, January 10, 2011 -** On Wednesday, January 12, 2011 the Colorado State House and Senate will re-convene for the The First Regular Session of the Sixty-Eighth General Assembly. The Colorado Channel provides Coloradans with the opportunity to watch (or listen) to the Colorado General Assembly on TV or online. Coverage can be viewed on Comcast channel 165 and at <u>http://www.coloradochannel.net</u>, beginning at 10am.

This year will mark the 4th year that the Colorado Channel will be managed and operated by the Open Media Foundation. The Open Media Foundation and the Colorado Channel aim to adhere to broadcast production values that accurately convey the business of the General Assembly's proceedings without editing, interpreting, or distorting the proceedings. It is the intent of the Colorado Channel Authority Board, that video coverage of House and Senate sessions not change or modify legislative procedures.

Recently, Open Media Foundation re-designed the Colorado Channel's website, which will make current and past viewing of Colorado House and Senate sessions more easily accessible. "We're very excited to share the new website with the public; now people who want to stay current and engage with the legislative process can do so much more easily." Lynne Sprague, Colorado Channel Producer. The website includes live broadcasts, archived sessions, and supplemental videos that explain the legislative process.

Furthermore, the Colorado Channel hopes to serve as great tool for state education in the classroom. Teachers can easily implement The Colorado Channel and its website as part of their curriculum to support their students in learning about the legislative process by seeing it in action. Educators can use the archive sessions and/or the live video feed, enabling students to track a bill from beginning to end.

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