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Representative Marc Catlin's Fiscal Rule for Charitable Food Grants Bill is a Law

Denver, Colorado – A new law for Colorado will help with food security from farm to table, according to State Representative Marc Catlin. At the close of the March calendar, Catlin helped shepherd [HB23-1087](#) into law: The Fiscal Rule Advance Payment Charitable Food Grants bill which was signed by Lieutenant Governor Dianne Primavera. The law allows for charities to use state grant money to purchase, in advance, state agricultural products. The law does not require a state expense. The bi-partisan bill received 96% approval from all state legislators.

Representative Marc Catlin says, "It is not often that we find policy where citizens, industry, and government can all agree that something is a good idea. The Fiscal Rule Law allows for food pantries to create contracts with farmers before the farmer plants crops. This rule change will help our communities improve food security and help our farmers stabilize their markets. It is great to see the State Legislature and the Governor agree, as well."

The prime sponsors in the Colorado House of Representatives were [Barbara McLachlan](#) (D-HD59) of La Plata County and [Marc Catlin](#) (R-HD58) of Montrose County. The prime sponsor in the Colorado Senate were [Dylan Roberts](#) (D-SD8) of Eagle County and [Perry Will](#) (R-SD5) of Garfield County.

Colorado State Representative Marc Catlin represents the eight counties of Dolores, Delta, Gunnison, Hinsdale, Montezuma, Montrose, Ouray, and San Miguel. Representative Catlin is Vice Chair of the Agriculture, Water, & Natural Resources Committee, a member of the Capital Development Committee, and Ranking member of the Transportation, Housing & Local Government Committee.
