

House Judiciary

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SB26-013 Exclude Cohabitation from Elements of Bigamy

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Name, Position, Representing	Typed Text of Testimony
Kate Newman For themselves	In a country where we are guaranteed the right to "Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness," it does not stand to reason that American citizens are not permitted to enjoy their lives, even when they may not fall under orthodox traditions. Cohabitation is such an ambiguous term that can encompass many situations, and therefore should be removed.
Genevieve Blanc For themselves	This bill would directly affect me as a polyamorous person and as someone who lives in an untraditional home. And as a queer person I will always fight against love between consenting adults being criminalized. With the passing of this bill people who are already in long term committed relationships will be able to share their homes with the people they love without fear of legal retaliation. As someone born in raised in Colorado I also believe that our government should not overreach into our homes and private relationships. I believe the passing of this bill follows the spirit of Colorado's proud tradition of upholding civil liberties.
Maya Blasingame For themselves	I support SB 26-013 because as a member of the polyamorous community, it's important that we update outdated laws to reflect our new values. People in my community can be married to a partner AND have another partner (s) live in the same home with them. Especially with the cost of living in this state skyrocketing with rent increases, it's vital we protect ALL Coloradans. This bill does that. It's a logical, and tangible way to help our communities thrive in this beautiful state.
Victoria Hernandez For	It's 2026 and housing is becoming increasingly unaffordable for most. As it stands, I bet there are a lot of people "breaking this law" who don't even realize it. Separately, this would affirm many

themselves	polyamorous/ethically non-monogamous folks. Whether or not you agree with people practicing this is not up for debate. I feel like there are more pressing matters, and this is a simple edit that could benefit multiple people and their wellbeing.
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