LEGISLATION SYLLABUS
Professor Brown
May 2008

Office hours: My office is located in Wolf Law Building. Office hours are from 7 am to 8 am and 11:30 to 12:30 on class days, in our classroom. Feel free to call me at home or on my cell. My cell is (303) 349-6691, and I can be reached at home at night at (303) 333-1235. My email address is hank.brown@colorado.edu.

Required materials: The textbook for this course is William N. Eskridge, Jr., Philip P. Frickey, and Elizabeth Garrett, Cases and Materials on Legislation: Statutes and the Creation of Public Policy (3rd ed. 2001). I will also distribute supplemental materials from time to time through student services (“SS Supp.”).

Optional reading: A helpful hornbook is Legislation, by Eskridge, Frickey & Garrett (2000).

Class participation and attendance: I will add from 1 to 3 points to the final grade of those who participate consistently and thoughtfully in class discussion. Grades will not be adjusted downward due to lack of participation. As provided by law school rules, I will lower the grade of anyone who misses more than 20 percent of the classes during the semester.

Exam: There will be an essay final exam in this course. You may not bring to the exam any books, treatises, nutshells, commercially-prepared outlines, notes, or the like.

Guest speakers: For a “real” look at the legislative process, we will have guest speakers from time to time.

Syllabus: The following is a tentative schedule of topics and assignments we will cover during the semester:

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Bush v. Palm Beach County Canvassing Board
531 U.S. 70 (2000)(SS Supp.);

May 14, 2008      Eligibility to Serve in Congress
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                   pp. 189-219; 446-49; 342-60
                   Colorado Constitution Act. 4,
                   Section 12 (SS Supp.)

May 15, 2008      Campaign Finance Reform
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                   Materials on Bipartisan Campaign Reform (SS Supp.)
                   Citizen Initiative: Alternative Legislative Process
                   pp. 499-505, 518-28, 538-57

May 16, 2008      Statutory Interpretation and Implementation
(8:00-11:30 am)    Theories of Interpretation
                   pp. 669-816

May 19, 2008      Canons, Presumptions and Clear-Statement Rules
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May 22, 2008      Interpretation and Role of Agencies in Lawmaking
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                   Canons of Interpretation
                   Appendix B pp. 19-25

(12:00-1:30 pm)    Review – attendance not required

May 23, 2008      Final Exam
(8:00-11:30 am)

Because our number of class sessions is limited, it is particularly important for students to come prepared to discuss the material. Please note you are expected to complete a reading assignment prior to the first class.