



Bioscience and Health Care Asks 2011

Locating a United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) in Colorado

- Please support making Colorado the home of one of the new satellite USPTO offices.
 - Because of Colorado's leadership in technology and innovation, our desirable living location and our proximity to other major technology hubs in the West, the state is an ideal location for one of the new satellite offices.

Patent Reform

- Accelerate Colorado supports the America Invents Act—a bill addressing the need for patent reform—passed in March 2011 by the Senate, and we support the movement of a bill resembling the Senate's version through the House.
 - House Judiciary Chairman Lamar Smith (R-TX) recently introduced patent reform legislation in the House. This measure would accomplish many of the same things such as movement to a first-to-file patent award system as the Senate's America Invents Act.

Funding for the National Institutes of Health

Please support President Obama's proposal for increasing funding for the National Institutes of Health (NIH) by 2.4% to just under \$40 billion.

- For every \$1 million invested in NIH, approximately 30 jobs are created or sustained.
- Colorado received \$307,646,620 from NIH in 2010