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I am not in favor of these changes for the following reasons:

- (1) We continue to add bureaucratic burden to business owners, and in this instance, anyone providing notary services. You are adding a complete subsystem to notary service, with separate licensing, training, reporting, costs, and testing. The restrictions for performing any such service is overly burdensome. Rules are not diminished, only increased. I do not support 2 systems for notary services, only 1. One training, one test, one service provided – keep it simple.
- (2) The big one – remote notary services open the door to fraud, which continues to blossom as a non-violent offense with no pursuit and no penalty. I remain opposed to any notary services where the in-person requirement is waived. You bring in significant risk with removing this requirement. It is too lax given the explosion of internet crimes.
- (3) Why is the time period proposed to be shortened from 6 months to 90 days? This is yet another burden and cost to those who are wearing multiple hats trying to run businesses in Colorado. I remain opposed to any more onerous changes for business owners and notaries.

SIMPLIFY.

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