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2021



Texas State Economic Scorecard

See how Members of Texas's Legislature
are voting on economic growth issues.



Club for Growth Foundation is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization focused on educating the public about the value of free markets, pro-growth policies, and economic prosperity.

State Scorecards are created by the Club for Growth Foundation to educate the public about the voting records of the legislators who serve in state legislatures. It is part of a larger scorecard project that the Club for Growth Foundation has created to educate the public about the economic positions taken by legislators in states across the country.

Our Mission

THE FOUNDATION
EDUCATES THE
PUBLIC ABOUT PRO-
GROWTH POLICIES.

THE FOUNDATION
CONDUCTS
COMPREHENSIVE
EXAMINATIONS OF
VOTING RECORDS.

THE FOUNDATION'S
GOAL IS TO INFORM
THE PUBLIC AND
BRING AWARENESS
TO LAWMAKERS.

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Club for Growth Foundation publishes the scorecard study so the public can monitor the actions and the voting behavior of Texas’s elected state lawmakers on economic growth issues.

The Foundation conducted a comprehensive examination of each lawmaker’s record on votes related to pro-growth policies and computed an Economic Growth Score on a scale of 0 to 100. A score of 100 indicates the highest support for pro-growth policies.

The Foundation examines legislative votes related to the Club’s immediate pro-economic growth policy goals, including:

- Reducing or eliminating tax rates and enacting tax reform
- Limited government through limited spending and budget reform
- Regulatory reform and deregulation
- Ending abusive lawsuits through medical malpractice and tort reform
- Expanding school choice
- Implementing term limits

Not all of these policy goals will come up for a vote in each legislative session.

The Foundation also examined votes on bills that would directly harm these goals.

This scorecard is based on selected votes of importance to the Foundation, and does not include the complete voting record of any legislator. There are inherent limitations in judging the overall qualifications of any legislator based on a selected voting record, and the Foundation does not endorse or oppose any legislator for public office.

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LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED IN TEXAS IN 2021

The Foundation’s study examined over 3,400 floor votes and, in the end, included 21 Texas House votes and 13 Texas Senate votes.

COMPUTATION

Scores are computed on a scale of 0 to 100. Each vote or action in the rating is assigned a certain number of points depending on its relative importance. If a lawmaker casts a correct vote, the scorecard will denote it with that number. If a lawmaker casts an incorrect vote, the scorecard will denote that vote with a hyphen (-). Absences are not counted – signified as an “X” on the scorecard – though the Foundation reserves the right to do so if, in its judgment, a lawmaker’s position was otherwise discernible. If a lawmaker was not officially sworn into office at the time of a vote, the scorecard will denote that vote with an “I”.

To provide some additional guidance concerning the scores, each lawmaker was ranked. Aside from ties, lawmakers

with 0% scores are, by default, ranked #150 in the Texas House and #31 in the Texas Senate. Scores and ranks cannot be directly compared between the House and Senate, as different votes were taken in each chamber. If applicable, the study also records a “Lifetime Score” for each lawmaker. This is a simple average of the scores from 2021 and all previous years where the lawmaker earned a score.

In some cases, a lawmaker was not present for enough votes for a meaningful score or ranking to be computed. In such cases “n.a.” for “not applicable” appears. In computing lifetime scores, years with “n.a.” listed instead of a score are not included. Comparing such scores to other members without “n.a.” years may be misleading.

ADDITIONAL FACTORS

A study of roll call votes on the floor of the Texas House and the Texas Senate and legislative actions is just that. It cannot account for a lawmaker’s work in committee, advocacy in his party’s caucus meetings, and effectiveness as a leader in advocating pro-growth policies.

“Through the release of this series, the Club for Growth Foundation is looking at how state legislatures perform in terms of pro-growth policies. We believe that this scorecard will help inform citizens and entrepreneurs about who supports the policies that are good for economic prosperity.”

- DAVID McINTOSH
PRESIDENT, CLUB FOR GROWTH FOUNDATION

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Texas Senate Snapshot

18 Republicans

13 Democrats

0 Vacancies

Average Republican Score: 76%

Average Democrat Score: 21%



HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Sen. Bob Hall (SD-02) | 92%



LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Sen. Kel Seliger (SD-31) | 65%



HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRATS

Sen. Juan Hinojosa (SD-20) | 39%



LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

Sen. Sarah Eckhardt (SD-14) | 0%

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PRO-GROWTH POSITION					N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	
POINTS					3	2	4	4	3	14	9	10	2	9	16	14	10	
Alvarado, Carol	SD-06	D	23%	24%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	21
Bettencourt, Paul	SD-07	R	75%	78%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	10	2	9	16	14	10	6
Birdwell, Brian	SD-22	R	75%	79%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	10	2	9	16	14	10	6
Blanco, Cesar	SD-29	D	9%	16%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	29
Buckingham, Dawn	SD-24	R	73%	77%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	10	-	9	16	14	10	9
Campbell, Donna	SD-25	R	73%	76%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	10	-	9	16	14	10	9
Creighton, Brandon	SD-04	R	83%	83%	-	-	-	4	-	X	9	10	2	9	16	X	10	3
Eckhardt, Sarah	SD-14	D	0%	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	31
Gutierrez, Roland	SD-19	D	23%	15%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	21
Hall, Bob	SD-02	R	92%	91%	3	2	-	-	3	14	9	10	2	9	16	14	10	1
Hancock, Kelly	SD-09	R	73%	78%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	10	-	9	16	14	10	9
Hinojosa, Juan	SD-20	D	39%	44%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	9	16	-	-	19
Huffman, Joan	SD-17	R	73%	77%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	10	-	9	16	14	10	9
Hughes, Bryan	SD-01	R	80%	81%	-	2	-	-	3	14	-	10	2	9	16	14	10	4
Johnson, Nathan	SD-16	D	23%	22%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	21
Kolkhorst, Lois	SD-18	R	73%	79%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	10	-	9	16	14	10	9
Lucio, Eddie	SD-27	D	26%	28%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	X	-	9	-	-	-	20
Menendez, Jose	SD-26	D	23%	20%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	21
Miles, Borris	SD-13	D	23%	24%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	21
Nelson, Jane	SD-12	R	73%	77%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	10	-	9	16	14	10	9

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POINTS					3	2	4	4	3	14	9	10	2	9	16	14	10	
Nichols, Robert	SD-03	R	78%	77%	-	-	-	-	3	14	-	10	2	9	16	14	10	5
Paxton, Angela	SD-08	R	75%	81%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	10	2	9	16	14	10	6
Perry, Charles	SD-28	R	73%	77%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	10	-	9	16	14	10	9
Powell, Beverly	SD-10	D	23%	30%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	21
Schwertner, Charles	SD-05	R	73%	75%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	10	-	9	16	14	10	9
Seliger, Kel	SD-31	R	65%	66%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	2	9	16	14	10	18
Springer, Drew	SD-30	R	87%	75%	-	-	-	-	3	14	9	10	2	9	16	14	10	2
Taylor, Larry	SD-11	R	73%	77%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	10	-	9	16	14	10	9
West, Royce	SD-23	D	23%	31%	-	X	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	21
Whitmire, John	SD-15	D	23%	28%	-	-	-	-	-	14	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	21
Zaffirini, Judith	SD-21	D	9%	18%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	29

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HB 133

EXPANSION OF MEDICAID COVERAGE

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would expand Medicaid coverage for pregnant women for at least six months after delivery or miscarriage. Lawmakers devoted to limited government and free markets should support reducing the size and influence of the government in the healthcare industry. The Texas Senate passed this bill, 30-1, on May 27, 2021. The Texas House passed this bill, 135-9, on May 28, 2021.

HB 428

MANDATE ON OVARIAN CANCER SCREENING

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would mandate health insurance coverage for FDA-approved tests for ovarian cancer. When lawmakers mandate insurance coverage for various medical conditions or services, it may help a certain portion of the population, but it reduces overall healthcare freedom and drives up the price for everyone.

The Texas House passed this bill, 128-15, on April 13, 2021. The Texas Senate passed it, 28-2, on May 22, 2021.

HB 636

EXTEND PLUMBING LICENSURE LAWS

(CFGF OPPOSES)

In 2019, the Texas Legislature did not pass a bill extending the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners. This bill would revive the board and extend it through 2027. Occupational licensure laws restrict innovation and job growth. It's also a prime example of regulatory capture where industry controls its own competition through the political process. The Texas House passed this bill, 143-4, on April 14, 2021. The Texas Senate passed it, 31-0, on May 13, 2021.

HB 1259

MORE RURAL VETERINARIAN SUBSIDIES

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands the rural veterinarian incentive program, which allows the government to

encourage veterinarians to relocate to rural areas using tax dollar-funded subsidies. This is not a core function of government. It's best left to the free market. The Texas House passed this bill, 121-24, on April 16, 2021. The Texas Senate passed it, 30-1, on May 21, 2021.

HB 1472

CORPORATE WELFARE FOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would expand the Major Events Reimbursement Program - a corporate welfare program - by allowing the Concacaf Gold Cup soccer tournament to receive subsidies. Lawmakers should not be in the business of subsidizing sports teams or sporting events. It is not a core function of government. The Texas House passed this bill, 109-34, on April 15, 2021. The Texas Senate passed it, 27-4, on April 29, 2021.

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HB 1501

PROTECTING CONSUMER CHOICE IN ENERGY

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill would prevent local governments from banning natural gas and propane. Consumers should have the freedom to choose the best energy source that best fits their needs. It should not be influenced by bureaucrats and lawmakers with a different agenda. The Texas House passed this bill, 118-22, on May 7, 2021. The Texas Senate passed it, 27-3, on May 24, 2021.

HB 4103

HOTEL TAX AND CORPORATE WELFARE SCHEME

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill allows certain municipalities to take hotel tax revenue and use it to finance corporate welfare programs such as convention center projects. This is not a core function of government. The Texas Senate passed this bill, 28-3, on May 25, 2021. The Texas House passed it, 103-45, on May 28, 2021.

SB 10

NO TAX DOLLARS FOR LOCAL LOBBYING (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill would prohibit Texas cities and counties from using tax dollars to hire lobbyists. Taxpayers should not be forced to pay for lobbying that seeks to increase the size and scope of government, thus requiring even more tax dollars to be spent. The Texas Senate passed this bill, 17-13, on April 15, 2021. The bill died in the Texas House.

SB 609

NEW MUSIC SUBSIDY PROGRAM

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would create the Texas Music Incubator Rebate Program, which would subsidize music venues across the state. This is not a core function of government. If such a program needs to exist, it should be done in the private sector. The Texas Senate passed this bill, 22-9, on April 26, 2021. The Texas House passed it, 102-40, on May 8, 2021.

SB 1025

CONSTRAIN EXECUTIVE POWER (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill clarifies what the legislature and the executive branch can do in certain circumstances during a declared state of emergency. Among other things, it states that only the legislature has the authority to restrict or impair the operation of businesses. This is a smart measure that will improve the checks and balances in state government. The Texas Senate passed this bill, 30-1, on April 13, 2021. The bill died in the Texas House.

SB 1336

STRENGTHEN STATE SPENDING LIMIT (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This pro-growth measure would place a limit on the annual growth rate of all state spending to population growth plus inflation. Exceptions are allowed for tax relief or costs associated with disaster mitigation, but it would require a 3/5th vote of the legislature. The Texas Senate passed this bill, 19-12, on April 13, 2021. The Texas House passed it, 89-55, on May 26, 2021.

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SB 2028 AMDT 1

EXPAND MEDICAID UNDER OBAMACARE

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This amendment to the state budget would expand Medicaid in Texas under Obamacare. States should be reducing the size and influence of the government in healthcare, not increasing it. The Texas Senate failed to pass this amendment, 13-17, on May 10, 2021.

SCR 12

REAFFIRMING 10TH AMENDMENT SOVEREIGNTY

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This resolution states that Texas is claiming sovereignty under the 10th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution over all powers not enumerated and granted to the federal government. Furthermore, it serves notice with this resolution that the federal government halt and reverse those powers that should be left to the states. The Texas Senate passed this resolution, 18-13, on April 20, 2021. The Texas House passed it, 85-60, on May 20, 2021.

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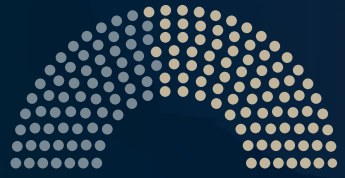
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Texas House Snapshot

83 Republicans

67 Democrats

0 Vacancies

Average Republican Score: 64%

Average Democrat Score: 14%



HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICAN
Rep. Jeff Cason (HD-092) | 100%



LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICANS
Rep. Stan Lambert (HD-071) | 34%
Rep. Lyle Larson (HD-122) | 34%



HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT
Rep. Eddie Morales (HD-074) | 31%



LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRATS
Multiple Reps | 0%

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PRO-GROWTH POSITION					N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	
POINTS					6	2	1	3	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	7	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	
Allen, Alma	HD-131	D	24%	25%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	9	-	89
Allison, Steve	HD-121	R	47%	49%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	8	6	1	9	7	70
Anchia, Rafael	HD-103	D	16%	14%	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	6	-	-	-	-	-	100
Anderson, Charles	HD-056	R	56%	55%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	-	6	-	-	7	-	8	6	-	9	7	52
Ashby, Trent	HD-057	R	55%	54%	6	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	4	-	-	-	7	-	8	-	1	9	7	56
Bailes, Ernest	HD-018	R	53%	52%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	5	4	-	-	-	7	-	8	-	-	9	7	60
Beckley, Michelle	HD-065	D	19%	17%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	7	7	-	-	X	-	-	-	94
Bell, Cecil	HD-003	R	73%	69%	X	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	-	5	4	6	-	-	7	X	X	X	1	9	7	25
Bell, Keith	HD-004	R	66%	60%	6	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	-	5	4	-	-	-	7	-	8	X	1	9	7	32
Bernal, Diego	HD-123	D	7%	9%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
Biedermann, Kyle	HD-073	R	89%	87%	6	2	1	-	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	-	7	6	8	6	-	9	7	8
Bonnen, Greg	HD-024	R	63%	65%	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	-	-	4	6	-	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	39
Bowers, Rhetta	HD-113	D	27%	25%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	X	-	-	-	7	-	-	X	-	9	-	85
Buckley, Brad	HD-054	R	60%	60%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	4	6	-	-	7	-	8	6	-	9	7	44
Bucy, John	HD-136	D	7%	12%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
Burns, DeWayne	HD-058	R	66%	71%	6	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	5	-	6	-	-	7	-	8	X	1	9	7	32
Burrows, Dustin	HD-083	R	59%	57%	X	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	1	-	4	-	-	-	7	-	8	6	-	9	7	46
Button, Angie	HD-112	R	47%	48%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	8	X	-	9	7	70
Cain, Briscoe	HD-128	R	97%	90%	6	2	1	-	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	7	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	3
Campos, Elizabeth	HD-119	D	15%	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	111

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POINTS					6	2	1	3	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	7	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	
Canales, Terry	HD-040	D	27%	27%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	X	5	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	7	85
Capriglione, Giovanni	HD-098	R	58%	62%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	1	X	4	-	-	-	7	-	8	6	-	9	7	49
Cason, Jeff	HD-092	R	100%	100%	6	2	1	3	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	7	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	1
Clardy, Travis	HD-011	R	41%	44%	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	8	-	-	9	7	77
Cole, Sheryl	HD-046	D	15%	16%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	111
Coleman, Garnet	HD-147	D	13%	21%	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	X	-	X	7	-	-	-	-	X	X	125
Collier, Nicole	HD-095	D	15%	17%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	111
Cook, David	HD-096	R	66%	66%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	1	-	4	6	4	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	32
Cortez, Philip	HD-117	D	24%	26%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	9	-	89
Craddick, Tom	HD-082	R	58%	62%	6	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	1	-	4	-	4	-	7	-	8	6	-	-	7	49
Crockett, Jasmine	HD-100	D	11%	11%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	127
Cyrier, John	HD-017	R	70%	69%	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	-	X	-	8	6	-	9	7	27
Darby, Drew	HD-072	R	43%	47%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	X	8	-	1	9	7	76
Davis, Yvonne	HD-111	D	8%	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	129
Dean, Jay	HD-007	R	59%	59%	X	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	4	6	-	-	7	-	8	-	1	9	7	46
Deshotel, Joe	HD-022	D	17%	22%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	9	-	98
Dominguez, Alex	HD-037	D	15%	26%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	111
Dutton, Harold	HD-142	D	15%	21%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	111
Ellzey, John	HD-010	R	66%	66%	-	-	X	-	-	-	5	8	X	-	4	6	-	X	7	-	8	6	-	9	7	32
Fierro, Art	HD-079	D	15%	18%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	111

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Frank, James	HD-069	R	56%	63%	-	X	1	-	-	2	5	8	1	-	-	-	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	52	
Frullo, John	HD-084	R	49%	58%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	4	-	-	-	7	-	8	6	-	X	7	67
Gates, Gary	HD-028	R	74%	74%	6	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	1	-	4	6	4	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	22
Geren, Charlie	HD-099	R	39%	44%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	X	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	8	-	-	9	7	78
Gervin-Hawkins, Barbara	HD-120	D	16%	16%	-	-	-	-	X	X	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	100
Goldman, Craig	HD-097	R	54%	54%	-	-	-	-	2	2	5	-	-	-	4	6	-	-	X	-	8	6	1	9	7	58
Gonzalez, Jessica	HD-104	D	8%	8%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	129
Gonzalez, Mary	HD-075	D	0%	6%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	145
Goodwin, Vikki	HD-047	D	7%	9%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
Guerra, Bobby	HD-041	D	25%	31%	-	-	-	-	X	X	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	9	-	88
Guillen, Ryan	HD-031	D	18%	27%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	X	X	97
Harless, Sam	HD-126	R	53%	59%	-	-	-	-	-	X	5	8	-	-	4	-	4	-	7	-	8	-	-	9	7	60
Harris, Cody	HD-008	R	62%	65%	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	X	-	-	4	6	X	-	7	-	8	6	X	9	7	41
Hefner, Cole	HD-005	R	87%	83%	6	2	1	-	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	-	7	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	12
Hernandez, Ana	HD-143	D	16%	18%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	100
Herrero, Abel	HD-034	D	17%	20%	-	-	X	-	X	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	X	-	98
Hinojosa, Gina	HD-049	D	13%	12%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	125
Holland, Justin	HD-033	R	71%	73%	6	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	4	6	4	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	26
Howard, Donna	HD-048	D	0%	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	145
Huberty, Dan	HD-127	R	44%	47%	X	-	-	-	-	-	X	8	X	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	8	-	-	9	7	73

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POINTS					6	2	1	3	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	7	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	
Hull, Lacey	HD-138	R	76%	76%	6	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	5	4	6	4	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	20
Hunter, Todd	HD-032	R	39%	47%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	X	-	9	7	78
Israel, Celia	HD-050	D	0%	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	145
Jetton, Jacey	HD-026	R	50%	50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	8	6	-	9	7	65
Johnson, Ann	HD-134	D	16%	16%	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	X	-	-	-	100
Johnson, Jarvis	HD-139	D	19%	19%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	X	-	-	-	7	X	-	-	-	X	-	94
Johnson, Julie	HD-115	D	16%	21%	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	100
Kacal, Kyle	HD-012	R	39%	46%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	8	-	-	9	7	78
King, Ken	HD-088	R	48%	48%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	4	-	-	-	7	-	8	-	-	9	7	69
King, Phil	HD-061	R	64%	65%	6	-	1	-	-	2	5	8	1	-	4	-	-	-	7	-	8	6	-	9	7	37
King, Tracy	HD-080	D	27%	23%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	X	-	-	-	9	-	85
Klick, Stephanie	HD-091	R	53%	61%	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	X	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	8	6	-	9	7	60
Krause, Matt	HD-093	R	82%	83%	6	-	-	-	2	-	5	8	-	5	4	6	4	-	7	6	8	X	-	9	7	17
Kuempel, John	HD-044	R	49%	50%	-	-	-	-	-	X	5	8	-	-	4	-	-	-	7	-	8	-	-	9	7	67
Lambert, Stan	HD-071	R	34%	48%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	1	-	4	-	-	-	X	-	8	-	-	9	7	81
Landgraf, Brooks	HD-081	R	75%	75%	6	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	-	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	21
Larson, Lyle	HD-122	R	34%	41%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	X	-	-	-	7	X	-	-	-	9	7	81
Leach, Jeff	HD-067	R	70%	68%	6	-	-	-	2	X	5	8	-	-	4	-	-	7	7	-	8	6	-	9	7	27
Leman, Ben	HD-013	R	74%	71%	6	-	1	-	-	-	5	8	1	5	4	6	-	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	22
Longoria, Oscar	HD-035	D	0%	16%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	145

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Lopez, Ray	HD-125	D	22%	20%	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	8	X	-	-	6	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	93
Lozano, J. M.	HD-043	R	53%	52%	-	X	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	4	-	-	X	7	-	8	-	-	9	7	60
Lucio, Eddie	HD-038	D	10%	22%	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	X	-	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	128
Martinez Fischer, Trey	HD-116	D	7%	12%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
Martinez, Armando	HD-039	D	16%	16%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	X	-	-	-	100
Metcalfe, Will	HD-016	R	59%	62%	-	-	-	-	2	2	5	8	-	-	4	-	-	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	46
Meyer, Morgan	HD-108	R	50%	52%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	8	6	-	9	7	65
Meza, Thresa	HD-105	D	15%	13%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	111
Middleton, Mayes	HD-023	R	97%	92%	6	2	1	-	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	7	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	3
Minjarez, Ina	HD-124	D	16%	16%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	X	X	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	100
Moody, Joe	HD-078	D	28%	23%	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	X	-	7	-	-	X	X	9	-	84	
Morales Shaw, Penny	HD-148	D	14%	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	X	-	-	4	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	123
Morales, Christina	HD-145	D	7%	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
Morales, Eddie	HD-074	D	31%	31%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	9	7	83
Morrison, Geanie	HD-030	R	44%	48%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	8	-	-	9	7	73
Munoz, Sergio	HD-036	D	15%	25%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	X	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	111
Murphy, Jim	HD-133	R	51%	52%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	X	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	8	6	-	9	7	64
Murr, Andrew	HD-053	R	74%	74%	6	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	1	5	X	6	-	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	22
Neave, Victoria	HD-107	D	15%	17%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	111
Noble, Candy	HD-089	R	69%	70%	6	-	1	-	2	2	5	8	1	-	-	6	-	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	29

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Oliverson, Tom	HD-130	R	66%	69%	-	-	-	-	2	2	5	8	X	-	4	6	-	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	32
Ordaz Perez, Claudia	HD-076	D	14%	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	7	123
Ortega, Lina	HD-077	D	7%	9%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
Pacheco, Leo	HD-118	D	19%	21%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	X	-	X	X	7	-	-	-	X	-	X	94
Paddie, Chris	HD-009	R	44%	52%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	8	-	-	9	7	73
Parker, Tan	HD-063	R	62%	63%	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	1	-	4	-	4	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	41
Patterson, Jared	HD-106	R	85%	85%	6	-	-	-	2	2	5	8	-	X	4	6	4	-	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	14
Paul, Dennis	HD-129	R	57%	63%	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	-	-	4	-	-	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	51
Perez, Mary Ann	HD-144	D	23%	27%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	X	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	7	92
Phelan, Dade	HD-021	R	n/a	59%	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Price, Four	HD-087	R	63%	58%	6	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	4	6	X	-	7	-	8	-	X	9	7	39
Ramos, Ana-Maria	HD-102	D	0%	6%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	145
Raney, John	HD-014	R	47%	50%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	X	-	-	X	-	X	X	7	-	8	-	X	9	7	70
Raymond, Richard Pena	HD-042	D	24%	29%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	9	-	89
Reynolds, Ron	HD-027	D	8%	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	129
Rodriguez, Eddie	HD-051	D	7%	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
Rogers, Glenn	HD-060	R	54%	54%	6	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	4	-	-	-	7	-	8	-	-	9	7	58
Romero, Ramon	HD-090	D	7%	19%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
Rose, Toni	HD-110	D	15%	17%	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	111
Rosenthal, Jon	HD-135	D	15%	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	111

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Sanford, Scott	HD-070	R	79%	75%	6	-	-	-	2	2	5	8	-	X	4	6	4	-	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	18
Schaefer, Matt	HD-006	R	97%	90%	6	2	1	-	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	7	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	3
Schofield, Mike	HD-132	R	69%	69%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	4	6	X	-	7	6	8	6	-	9	7	29
Shaheen, Matt	HD-066	R	88%	86%	6	-	-	-	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	7	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	10
Sherman, Carl	HD-109	D	15%	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	X	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	111
Shine, Hugh	HD-055	R	55%	57%	6	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	4	6	-	-	7	-	8	-	-	9	7	56
Slaton, Bryan	HD-002	R	98%	98%	6	2	1	3	-	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	7	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	2
Slawson, Shelby	HD-059	R	89%	89%	6	-	1	-	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	7	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	8
Smith, Reggie	HD-062	R	85%	75%	6	-	-	-	2	-	5	8	-	5	4	6	4	7	7	-	8	6	1	9	7	14
Smithee, John	HD-086	R	60%	58%	6	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	5	X	-	X	-	7	-	8	-	X	9	7	44
Spiller, David	HD-068	R	77%	77%	6	-	1	-	-	-	5	8	1	5	4	-	4	-	7	1	8	6	1	9	7	19
Stephenson, Phil	HD-085	R	56%	55%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	6	8	6	-	9	7	52
Stucky, Lynn	HD-064	R	61%	66%	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	8	X	-	4	6	-	-	7	-	8	6	-	9	7	43
Swanson, Valoree	HD-150	R	86%	82%	6	-	-	-	2	2	5	8	-	5	4	6	4	-	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	13
Talarico, James	HD-052	D	7%	12%	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
Thierry, Shawn	HD-146	D	16%	21%	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	X	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	100
Thompson, Ed	HD-029	R	56%	56%	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	-	-	4	-	-	-	7	-	8	6	-	9	7	52
Thompson, Senfronia	HD-141	D	16%	21%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	X	-	-	-	-	-	100
Tinderholt, Tony	HD-094	R	93%	90%	6	2	1	3	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	-	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	6
Toth, Steve	HD-015	R	91%	83%	6	X	X	3	2	X	5	-	X	5	4	6	4	7	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	7

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Name	District	Party	Score	Lifescore	HB15	HB133	HB428	HB636	HB1259	HB1472	HB1485	HB1501	HB1588	HB2053	HB2641	HB4103	HB4242	HJR82	HJR140	HR4-13	SBI-54	SBI-71	SB609	SB1336	SCR12	Rank
PRO-GROWTH POSITION					N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	
POINTS					6	2	1	3	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	7	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	
Turner, Chris	HD-101	D	16%	19%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	100
Turner, John	HD-114	D	7%	9%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
VanDeaver, Gary	HD-001	R	64%	57%	6	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	-	5	-	6	-	-	7	-	8	-	X	9	7	37
Vasut, Cody	HD-025	R	88%	88%	6	-	1	-	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	-	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	10
Vo, Hubert	HD-149	D	7%	11%	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
Walle, Armando	HD-140	D	16%	14%	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	X	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	100
White, James	HD-019	R	68%	67%	-	-	-	-	-	2	5	8	-	5	-	6	-	-	7	6	8	6	1	9	X	31
Wilson, Terry	HD-020	R	83%	85%	-	2	-	-	2	2	5	8	1	5	4	6	4	-	7	6	8	6	1	9	7	16
Wu, Gene	HD-137	D	7%	17%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	132
Zwiener, Erin	HD-045	D	7%	10%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	132

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HB 15 (RC# 480)

CREATING NEW BRAIN INSTITUTE OF TEXAS

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would create the Texas Brain University Research Initiative. This new government-run program would use tax dollars to pick winners and losers in the brain research industry. Worse, the bill gives this new program the authority to issue bonds and extract tax dollars from the federal government in the form of NIH grants. The Texas House passed this bill, 107-36, on April 28, 2021. The bill died in the Texas Senate.

HB 133 (RC# 1713)

EXPANSION OF MEDICAID COVERAGE

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would expand Medicaid coverage for pregnant women for at least six months after delivery or miscarriage. Lawmakers devoted to limited government and free markets should support reducing the size and influence of the

government in the healthcare industry. The Texas Senate passed this bill, 30-1, on May 27, 2021. The Texas House passed this bill, 135-9, on May 28, 2021.

HB 428 (RC# 158)

MANDATE ON OVARIAN CANCER SCREENING

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would mandate health insurance coverage for FDA-approved tests for ovarian cancer. When lawmakers mandate insurance coverage for various medical conditions or services, it may help a certain portion of the population, but it reduces overall healthcare freedom and drives up the price for everyone. The Texas House passed this bill, 128-15, on April 13, 2021. The Texas Senate passed it, 28-2, on May 22, 2021.

HB 636 (RC# 187)

EXTEND PLUMBING LICENSURE LAWS

(CFGF OPPOSES)

In 2019, the Texas Legislature did not pass a bill

extending the Texas State Board of Plumbing Examiners. This bill would revive the board and extend it through 2027. Occupational licensure laws restrict innovation and job growth. It's also a prime example of regulatory capture where industry controls its own competition through the political process. The Texas House passed this bill, 143-4, on April 14, 2021. The Texas Senate passed it, 31-0, on May 13, 2021.

HB 1259 (RC# 310)

MORE RURAL VETERINARIAN SUBSIDIES

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands the rural veterinarian incentive program, which allows the government to encourage veterinarians to relocate to rural areas using tax dollar-funded subsidies. This is not a core function of government. It's best left to the free market. The Texas House passed this bill, 121-24, on April 16, 2021. The Texas Senate passed it, 30-1, on May 21, 2021.

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HB 1472 (RC# 252)

CORPORATE WELFARE FOR SOCCER TOURNAMENT

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would expand the Major Events Reimbursement Program - a corporate welfare program - by allowing the Concacaf Gold Cup soccer tournament to receive subsidies. Lawmakers should not be in the business of subsidizing sports teams or sporting events. It is not a core function of government. The Texas House passed this bill, 109-34, on April 15, 2021. The Texas Senate passed it, 27-4, on April 29, 2021.

HB 1485 (RC# 522)

NEW LICENSURE LAWS FOR ELEVATOR MECHANICS

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill creates an occupational licensing regime for elevator mechanics. Occupational licensure laws restrict innovation and job growth. It's also a prime example of regulatory capture where industry controls its own competition through the political process. The Texas House failed to pass the bill, 70-74, on April 29, 2021.

HB 1501 (RC# 876)

PROTECTING CONSUMER CHOICE IN ENERGY

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill would prevent local governments from banning natural gas and propane. Consumers should have the freedom to choose the best energy source that best fits their needs. It should not be influenced by bureaucrats and lawmakers with a different agenda. The Texas House passed this bill, 118-22, on May 7, 2021. The Texas Senate passed it, 27-3, on May 24, 2021.

HB 1588 (RC# 618)

MANDATE ON SCALP COOLING

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would mandate health insurance coverage for scalp cooling therapy. When lawmakers mandate insurance coverage for various medical conditions or services, it may help a certain portion of the population, but it reduces overall healthcare freedom and drives up the price for everyone. The Texas House passed this bill, 104-27, on April 30, 2021. The bill died in the Texas Senate.

HB 2053 (RC# 334)

NEW LICENSURE LAWS FOR GENETIC COUNSELORS

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill creates a new occupational licensing regime for genetic counselors. Occupational licensure laws restrict innovation and job growth. It's also a prime example of regulatory capture where industry controls its own competition through the political process. The Texas House passed the bill, 112-30, on April 20, 2021. The bill died in the Texas Senate.

HB 2641 (RC# 1047)

EXPAND ELIGIBILITY FOR FOOD STAMPS

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands eligibility for food stamps by indexing for inflation the exclusion of \$15,000 from the value of a person's car. This expands the size and scope of government by creating more dependency on the food stamps program. It will also cost taxpayers more money. The Texas House passed this bill, 83-57, on May 13, 2021. The bill died in the Texas Senate.

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HB 4103 (RC# 1641)

HOTEL TAX AND CORPORATE WELFARE SCHEME

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill allows certain municipalities to take hotel tax revenue and use it to finance corporate welfare programs such as convention center projects. This is not a core function of government. The Texas Senate passed this bill, 28-3, on May 25, 2021. The Texas House passed it, 103-45, on May 28, 2021.

HB 4242 (RC# 904)

EXTENDING CHAPTER 313

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would reauthorize so-called Chapter 313 tax abatements, which school districts use as corporate welfare handouts to local businesses using state tax dollars. Ironically, the platforms for both the Texas Republican Party and the Texas Democrat Party oppose this practice. The Texas House passed this bill, 112-29, on May 8, 2021.

HJR 82 (RC# 999)

PROHIBIT ESF FUNDS FOR HIGHWAYS

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This legislation would propose a constitutional amendment that would allow lawmakers to take money from the rainy day fund to fund state highway projects. The fund is designed to help cover budget shortfalls in case of unexpected events. It should not be used to fund normal and predictable expenditures. The Texas House passed this resolution, 129-12, on May 12, 2021. The resolution died in the Texas Senate.

HJR 140 (RC# 698)

CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT TO PROHIBIT NEW TAXES

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This legislation would propose a constitutional amendment to prohibit the legislature from imposing new taxes on securities transactions. Such a tax would come at the expense of people who have a 401(k), IRA, pension or some other kind of retirement account. The Texas House passed this resolution, 135-5, on May 4, 2021. The resolution died in the Texas Senate.

HR 4 AMDT 13 (RC# 18)

OVERRIDE EXECUTIVE ORDERS

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This amendment would expedite consideration of any proposal in the Texas House that seeks to terminate or modify a state of disaster or emergency declaration made by the governor. Regardless of which party is in charge, it is vital for the legislature to reassert its authority in order to check the abuses of power that can be made by the executive branch. The Texas House failed to pass this amendment, 17-125, on January 14, 2021.

SB 1 AMDT 54 (RC# 408)

EXPAND MEDICAID UNDER OBAMACARE

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This amendment to the state budget would expand Medicaid in Texas under Obamacare. States should be reducing the size and influence of the government in healthcare, not increasing it. The Texas House failed to pass this amendment, 68-80, on April 22, 2021.

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SB 1 AMDT 71 (RC# 409)

ALLOW MORE TAXPAYER-FUNDED LOBBYING

(CFGF OPPOSES)

Current law prohibits tax dollars appropriated to Regional Education Service Centers from being used to hire lobbyists. This amendment to the state budget would remove that prohibition. This would force taxpayers to not only pay for larger government, but for the lobbying that would enable it. The Texas House passed this amendment, 84-54, on April 22, 2021.

SB 609 (RC# 912)

NEW MUSIC SUBSIDY PROGRAM

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would create the Texas Music Incubator Rebate Program, which would subsidize music venues across the state. This is not a core function of government. If such a program needs to exist, it should be done in the private sector. The Texas Senate passed this bill, 22-9, on April 26, 2021. The Texas House passed it, 102-40, on May 8, 2021.

SB 1336 (RC# 1502)

STRENGTHEN STATE SPENDING LIMIT

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This pro-growth measure would place a limit on the annual growth rate of all state spending to population growth plus inflation. Exceptions are allowed for tax relief or costs associated with disaster mitigation, but it would require a 3/5th vote of the legislature. The Texas Senate passed this bill, 19-12, on April 13, 2021. The Texas House passed it, 89-55, on May 26, 2021.

SCR 12 (RC# 1294)

REAFFIRMING 10TH AMENDMENT SOVEREIGNTY

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This resolution states that Texas is claiming sovereignty under the 10th Amendment to the U.S. Constitution over all powers not enumerated and granted to the federal government. Furthermore, it serves notice with this resolution that the federal government halt and reverse those powers that should be left to the states. The Texas Senate passed this resolution, 18-13, on April 20, 2021. The Texas House passed it, 85-60, on May 20, 2021.

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