



2019

Iowa State Legislative Scorecard

See how Members of Iowa's General Assembly 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
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Club for Growth Foundation publishes the scorecard study so the public can monitor the actions and the voting behavior of Iowa'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 examined legislative votes related to the Foundation'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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2019 LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED IN IOWA

The Foundation’s study examined over 800 floor votes and, in the end, included 16 Iowa House votes and 16 Iowa 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. Lawmakers with 0% scores are,

by default, ranked #100 in the House and #50 in the 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 2019 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 Iowa House and Iowa 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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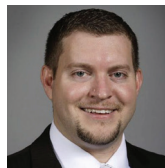
32 Republicans

18 Democrats

0 Vacancies

Average Republican Score: 57%

Average Democrat Score: 26%



HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Senator Jake Chapman (SD-10) | 79%



LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Senator Michael Breitbach (SD-28) | 50%



HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

Senator William Dotzler Jr (SD-31) | 37%



LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

Senator Kevin Kinney (SD-39) | 18%

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PRO-GROWTH POSITION					N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	
POINTS					12	5	8	8	4	4	4	2	4	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	
Behn, Jerry	SD-24	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Bisignano, Tony	SD-17	D	32%	32%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	6	-	34
Bolkcom, Joe	SD-43	D	26%	26%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	-	36
Boulton, Nate	SD-16	D	26%	26%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	-	36
Breitbach, Michael	SD-28	R	50%	50%	-	5	-	-	-	-	X	2	-	X	X	6	5	5	6	11	32
Brown, Waylon	SD-26	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Carlin, Jim	SD-03	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Celsi, Claire	SD-21	D	26%	26%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	-	36
Chapman, Jake	SD-10	R	79%	79%	12	5	8	-	X	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	1
Costello, Mark	SD-12	R	54%	54%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	28
Cournoyer, Chris	SD-49	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Dawson, Dan	SD-08	R	52%	52%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	-	6	5	5	6	11	29
Dotzler Jr., William	SD-31	D	37%	37%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	11	33
Edler, Jeff	SD-36	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Feenstra, Randy	SD-02	R	61%	61%	-	5	X	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	3
Garrett, Julian	SD-13	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Giddens, Eric	SD-30	D	24%	24%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	I	-	-	I	5	I	-	-	46
Greene, Thomas	SD-44	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Guth, Dennis	SD-04	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Hogg, Robert	SD-33	D	26%	26%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	-	36

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Jochum, Pam	SD-50	D	26%	26%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	-	36
Johnson, Craig	SD-32	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Kapucian, Tim	SD-38	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Kinney, Kevin	SD-39	D	18%	18%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	-	50
Koelker, Carrie	SD-29	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Kraayenbrink, Tim	SD-05	R	52%	52%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	-	6	5	5	6	11	29
Lofgren, Mark	SD-46	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Lykam, Jim	SD-45	D	22%	22%	-	5	-	X	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	X	47
Mathis, Liz	SD-34	D	26%	26%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	-	36
Miller-Meeks, Mariannette	SD-41	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Nunn, Zach	SD-15	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Petersen, Janet	SD-18	D	26%	26%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	-	36
Quirmbach, Herman	SD-23	D	22%	22%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	4	6	5	-	-	-	47
Ragan, Amanda	SD-27	D	26%	26%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	-	36
Rozenboom, Ken	SD-40	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Schneider, Charles	SD-22	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Schultz, Jason	SD-09	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Segebart, Mark	SD-06	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Shipley, Tom	SD-11	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Sinclair, Amy	SD-14	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4

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Smith, Jackie	SD-07	D	26%	26%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	-	36
Smith, Roby	SD-47	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Sweeney, Annette	SD-25	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Taylor, Rich	SD-42	D	30%	30%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	-	-	4	6	5	-	-	-	35
Taylor, Todd	SD-35	D	22%	22%	-	5	-	X	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	X	47
Wahls, Zach	SD-37	D	26%	26%	-	5	-	8	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	6	5	-	-	-	36
Whiting, Zach	SD-01	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Whitver, Jack	SD-19	R	56%	56%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	4	6	5	5	6	11	4
Zaun, Brad	SD-20	R	64%	64%	12	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	X	4	6	5	5	6	11	2
Zumbach, Dan	SD-48	R	52%	52%	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	12	-	6	5	5	6	11	29

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HF 546

EXTENSION OF 1% SALES TAX

(CFGF OPPOSES)

Known as the Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund, this bill extends until 2051 a one-cent sales tax to fund school infrastructure projects. While some of the tax revenue will go towards property tax relief, the bill is an overall tax increase of roughly \$1 billion by 2050. The Iowa Senate passed the bill, 48-2, on April 24, 2019, and the Iowa House passed the bill 95-4, on April 25, 2019.

HF 694

EMERGENCY MEDICAL PERSONNEL LICENSING RECIPROCITY

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill adopts the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact which allows a person holding a valid emergency medical services license in any state that has joined the Compact to provide emergency

medical services in Iowa under certain conditions. While this bill acknowledges the need for occupational licensing, it moves in a direction of less government interference and more economic freedom. The Iowa House passed the bill, 96-0, on March 21, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 50-0, on April 25, 2019.

HF 760

HOTEL MOTEL TAX INCREASE

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would require a person who utilizes a hotel or motel for short-term housing to pay the hotel and motel taxes unless their stay exceeds 90 days, up from the current 30 day exemption. Interestingly, some state lawmakers maintain a hotel room in Des Moines for the duration of the 100-day legislative session. While this bill would raise taxes on a traveling construction worker completing a 60-day project, for instance, a lawmaker who kept their room for the entire

legislative session would remain exempt from the hotel and motel tax. Some of the \$6 million in new tax revenue will be spent on existing corporate welfare programs. The Iowa House passed the bill, 91-4, on April 26, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 48-1, on the same day. However, the two chambers could not concur on amendments.

HF 767

ELECTRIC VEHICLE TAX AND FEE HIKE

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would create a new annual registration fee for battery-electric cars and a new annual registration fee for plug-in hybrid electric cars, in addition to the existing annual registration fees already required by Iowa law. The bill also imposes new anti-growth excise taxes on hydrogen and electricity that is used for fuel. The Iowa House passed the bill, 78-20, on April 17, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 34-14, on April 27, 2019.

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HF 768

BEGINNING FARMER TAX SUBSIDIES

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill more than doubles the dollar amount of income tax credits that can be issued to landowners who lease their land and qualified equipment to beginning farmers. By unfairly helping some farmers at the expense of other farmers and taxpayers, this is an improper activity for the government to engage in. The Iowa House passed the bill, 99-1, on April 24, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 49-0, on April 25, 2019.

HF 772

“UNDER-SERVED” AREA SUBSIDIES

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill, known as the Empower Rural Iowa act, expands programs to provide subsidies to areas the state considers under-served. Specifically, broadband infrastructure grant programs and tax exemptions are extended and tax credits for workforce housing are increased. Taxpayers should not bear this expense since it is not a core function of government. The Iowa House

passed the bill, 98-0, on April 23, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 50-0, on April 24.

SF 167

MORE SUBSIDIES FOR HEALTHCARE INDUSTRY

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands the definition of occupations that qualify for health care student loan subsidies by adding mental health professionals to the list of eligible applicants who practice in areas of the state that are considered rural. This comes at a higher cost to taxpayers and is not a core function of government. The Iowa Senate passed the bill, 49-0, on March 26, 2019. The bill died in the Iowa House.

SF 230

DEREGULATION OF ALCOHOL PRODUCTION AND SALES

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This deregulatory bill, which should spur more economic growth and competition, allows Iowa beer brewers to also distill spirits and make wine, and allows winemakers to also brew beer.

The Iowa House passed the bill, 97-2, on April 3, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 49-1, on April 15, 2019.

SF272

MORE OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING AND REGULATION

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would expand the number of services that would be considered “debt management” and would subject those additional services to licensing and regulation by Iowa’s Department of Commerce. The Iowa Senate passed the bill, 49-0, on March 12, 2019. The bill died in the Iowa House.

SF 334

INCREASED ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION FOR PUBLIC ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill would require enhanced eligibility verification for those who apply for public assistance programs like Medicaid and the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, as well as real-time, ongoing monitoring of current

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enrollees in those programs. The Iowa Senate passed the bill, 30-18, on April 1, 2019. The bill died in the Iowa House.

SF 343

TRAFFIC CAMERA BAN

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill would prohibit the state, cities, and counties of Iowa from using any automated or remote system for traffic enforcement. Such cameras are an infringement on liberty and a revenue grab for governments looking to spend more money. The Iowa Senate passed the bill, 30-19, on March 26, 2019. The bill died in the Iowa House.

SF 377

TORT REFORM FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This pro-growth bill would limit tort abuse by capping damages, barring certain claims, limiting the ability to bring torts, and granting immunity to various state and municipal public safety employees. The Iowa Senate passed the bill, 49-0, on March 12, 2019, and the Iowa House passed the bill, 98-0, on April 25, 2019.

SF 502

WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill extends and enhances whistleblower protections for public employees, strengthening the first line of defense against government mismanagement and fraud. The Iowa House passed the bill, 98-0, on April 22, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 50-0, on April 25, 2019.

SF 507

REDUCING WORKERS' COMPENSATION LIABILITY

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This commonsense bill states that unexplained falls at a place of employment that do not arise in the course of employment are not eligible for workers' compensation claims. The Iowa Senate passed the bill, 32-17, on March 19, 2019, and the Iowa House passed the bill, 55-44, on April 9, 2019.

SF 634

PROPERTY TAX LIMITS AND TRANSPARENCY

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This pro-growth bill increases transparency of the property taxes levied by cities and counties.

Any proposed increase in those local budgets requires specific disclosures to taxpayers and a special public hearing must be held. If the budget will increase total property taxes by more than 2% from the previous year, a supermajority vote of 2/3 of the local council or board is required for passage. The Iowa House passed the bill, 53-47, on April 24, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 33-17, on April 24, 2019.

SF 638

JUDICIAL NOMINATING REFORM

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill contains an amendment (H-1321 / S-3262) with judicial nominating reforms that includes language removing the senior judge of the Supreme Court from the nominating commission and giving another nominating commission appointment to the Governor, ultimately providing a counter to the influence of the Iowa Bar Association. It also increases the frequency that the Supreme Court votes for a Chief Justice. The Iowa House passed the amendment, 52-46, on April 27, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed it, 33-15, on the same day.

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Iowa House Snapshot



53 Republicans

47 Democrats

0 Vacancies

Average Republican Score: 54%

Average Democrat Score: 29%



HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Rep. Jeff Shipley (HD-082) | 87%



LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Rep. Linda Upmeyer (HD-054) | 46%



HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

Rep. Andy McKean (HD-058) | 44%



LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

Rep. Marti Anderson (HD-036) | 15%

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POINTS					4	7	12	5	6	7	8	8	4	4	2	6	5	5	6	11	
Abdul-Samad, Ako	HD-035	D	33%	33%	X	-	X	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	X	5	-	-	-	61
Anderson, Marti	HD-036	D	15%	15%	-	-	-	5	X	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	X	-	-	-	100
Bacon, Robert	HD-048	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Baxter, Terry	HD-008	R	51%	51%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	-	6	5	5	6	11	50
Bearinger, Bruce	HD-064	D	18%	18%	-	-	-	5	X	-	-	-	-	X	2	6	X	-	-	X	99
Bennett, Liz	HD-065	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	63
Bergan, Michael	HD-055	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Best, Brian	HD-012	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Bloomington, Jane	HD-051	R	51%	51%	-	-	-	X	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	50
Bossman, Jacob	HD-006	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Breckenridge, Wes	HD-029	D	27%	27%	X	-	-	5	6	X	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	79
Brink, Holly	HD-080	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Brown-Powers, Timi	HD-061	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
Carlson, Gary	HD-091	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Cohoon, Dennis	HD-087	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
Derry, Karin	HD-039	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	63
Deyoe, Dave	HD-049	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Dolecheck, Cecil	HD-024	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Donahue, Molly Erin	HD-068	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	63

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Ehlert, Tracy	HD-070	D	26%	26%	-	-	-	5	6	-	X	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	80
Fisher, Dean	HD-072	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Forbes, John	HD-040	D	29%	29%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	-	-	77
Fry, Joel	HD-027	R	55%	55%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	X	2	6	5	5	6	11	5
Gaines, Ruth Ann	HD-032	D	26%	26%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	X	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	80
Gaskill, Mary	HD-081	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
Gassman, Tedd	HD-007	R	61%	61%	-	-	-	5	6	7	8	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	3
Gerhold, Thomas	HD-075	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Grassley, Pat	HD-050	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Gustafson, Stan	HD-025	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Hagenow, Chris	HD-019	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Hall, Chris	HD-013	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
Hanusa, Mary Ann	HD-016	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Heddens, Lisa	HD-046	D	35%	35%	-	-	-	5	6	-	X	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	59
Hein, Lee	HD-096	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Hinson, Ashley	HD-067	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Hite, Dustin	HD-079	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Holt, Steven	HD-018	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Hunter, Bruce	HD-034	D	40%	40%	4	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	4	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	55
Huseman, Daniel	HD-003	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6

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POINTS					4	7	12	5	6	7	8	8	4	4	2	6	5	5	6	11	
Isenhart, Charles	HD-100	D	39%	39%	-	-	12	5	6	-	X	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	56
Jacobsen, Jon	HD-022	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Jacoby, Dave	HD-074	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	63
James, Lindsay	HD-099	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
Jeneary, Tom	HD-005	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Jones, Megan	HD-002	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Judge, Kenan	HD-044	D	29%	29%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	-	-	77
Kacena, Timothy	HD-014	D	35%	35%	-	-	-	5	6	-	X	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	59
Kaufmann, Bobby	HD-073	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Kerr, David	HD-088	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Klein, Jarad	HD-078	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Konfrst, Jennifer	HD-043	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
Kressig, Bob	HD-059	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
Kurth, Monica	HD-089	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	63
Kurtz, Jeff	HD-083	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
Landon, John	HD-037	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Lensing, Vicki	HD-085	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	63
Lohse, Brian	HD-030	R	51%	51%	-	-	-	X	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	50
Lundgren, Shannon	HD-057	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Mascher, Mary	HD-086	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	63

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POINTS					4	7	12	5	6	7	8	8	4	4	2	6	5	5	6	11	
Matson, Heather	HD-038	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	63
Maxwell, David	HD-076	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
McConkey, Charlie	HD-015	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
McKean, Andy	HD-058	D	44%	44%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	5	-	-	54
Meyer, Ann	HD-009	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Meyer, Brian	HD-033	D	26%	26%	-	-	-	5	6	-	X	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	80
Mitchell, Joe	HD-084	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Mohr, Gary	HD-094	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Mommsen, Norlin	HD-097	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Moore, Tom	HD-021	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Nielsen, Amy	HD-077	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
Oldson, Jo	HD-041	D	20%	20%	-	-	-	X	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	98
Olson, Rick	HD-031	D	36%	36%	4	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	57
Osmundson, Anne	HD-056	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Ourth, Scott	HD-026	D	30%	30%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	X	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	X	76
Paustian, Ross	HD-092	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Prichard, Todd	HD-052	D	33%	33%	-	X	-	5	6	-	8	-	-	-	X	6	5	-	-	-	61
Running-Marquardt, Kirsten	HD-069	D	36%	36%	-	-	12	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	57
Salmon, Sandy	HD-063	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Sexton, Mike	HD-010	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6

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POINTS					4	7	12	5	6	7	8	8	4	4	2	6	5	5	6	11	
Shipley, Jeff	HD-082	R	87%	87%	-	7	12	5	6	7	8	8	-	-	2	6	5	X	6	11	1
Sieck, David	HD-023	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Smith, Mark	HD-071	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	63
Smith, RasTafari	HD-062	D	26%	26%	-	-	-	5	6	X	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	80
Sorensen, Ray	HD-020	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Staed, Art	HD-066	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
Steckman, Sharon	HD-053	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	63
Sunde, Kristin	HD-042	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
Thede, Phyllis	HD-093	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	63
Thompson, Phil	HD-047	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Thorup, Jon	HD-028	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Upmeyer, Linda	HD-054	R	46%	46%	X	-	-	X	X	7	-	-	-	-	2	X	5	5	6	11	53
Wessel-Kroeschell, Beth	HD-045	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	63
Wheeler, Skyler	HD-004	R	78%	78%	-	7	12	5	6	7	8	-	-	-	-	6	5	5	6	11	2
Williams, Dave	HD-060	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
Wills, John	HD-001	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Winckler, Cindy	HD-090	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	8	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	63
Windschitl, Matt	HD-017	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Wolfe, Mary Lynn	HD-098	D	24%	24%	-	-	-	5	6	-	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	-	-	-	84
Worthan, Gary	HD-011	R	53%	53%	-	-	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	6
Zumbach, Louis	HD-095	R	60%	60%	-	7	-	5	6	7	-	-	-	-	2	6	5	5	6	11	4

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HF 339

EXPANSION OF TAX SUBSIDIES FOR SELECT COMMUNITIES

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill allows government to pick winners and losers in the private sector by creating a new and separate tax incentive program within the High Quality Jobs Program (HQJP). The new corporate welfare program, costing roughly \$6 million a year, increases tax credits for projects located only in Iowa communities of a specified size. The Iowa House passed the bill, 95-2, on April 25, 2019. The bill died in the Iowa Senate.

HF 419

CRIMINALIZING UNLICENSED MUSIC THERAPISTS

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill requires anyone claiming to be a music therapist to hold specific credentials to practice in Iowa. It also provides specific confinement and fines to be levied as punishment against Iowans who knowingly violate that requirement. This

is not a core function of government. It stifles economic growth and reduces competition. The Iowa House passed the bill, 96-3, on April 3, 2019. The bill died in the Iowa Senate.

HF 546

EXTENSION OF 1% SALES TAX

(CFGF OPPOSES)

Known as the Secure an Advanced Vision for Education Fund, this bill extends until 2051 a one-cent sales tax to fund school infrastructure projects. While some of the tax revenue will go towards property tax relief, the bill is an overall tax increase of roughly \$1 billion by 2050. The Iowa Senate passed the bill, 48-2, on April 24, 2019, and the Iowa House passed the bill, 95-4, on April 25, 2019.

HF 694

EMERGENCY MEDICAL PERSONNEL LICENSING RECIPROCITY

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill adopts the Emergency Medical Services Personnel Licensure Interstate Compact which

allows a person holding a valid emergency medical services license in any state that has joined the Compact to provide emergency medical services in Iowa under certain conditions. While this bill acknowledges the need for occupational licensing, it moves in a direction of less government interference and more economic freedom. The Iowa House passed the bill, 96-0, on March 21, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 50-0, on April 25, 2019.

HF 744

LICENSING FEE REDUCTION FOR TEACHERS

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill would eliminate the requirement that the Educational Examiners Board must transfer 25% of its collected licensing fees to the General Fund and it requires the Board to reduce its licensing fees by 25%, saving licensees an estimated \$600,000 annually. The Iowa House passed the bill, 97-0, on April 22, 2019. The bill died in the Iowa Senate.

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HF 752

OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING REVIEW
(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill would require a legislative committee to review and analyze all professional licenses issued in the state at least once every six years on a rotating basis, and make a report to the general assembly that could include recommended changes, including repeal, of any given license. This is a pro-growth measure that could lead to increased competition and prosperity. The Iowa House passed the bill, 54-44, on April 1, 2019. The bill died in the Iowa Senate.

HF 760

HOTEL MOTEL TAX INCREASE
(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would require a person who utilizes a hotel or motel for short-term housing to pay the hotel and motel taxes unless their stay exceeds 90 days, up from the current 30 day exemption. Interestingly, some state lawmakers maintain a hotel room in Des Moines for the duration of the 100-day legislative session. While this bill would

raise taxes on a traveling construction worker completing a 60-day project, for instance, a lawmaker who kept their room for the entire legislative session would remain exempt from the hotel and motel tax. Some of the \$6 million in new tax revenue will be spent on existing corporate welfare programs. The Iowa House passed the bill, 91-4, on April 26, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 48-1, on the same day. However, the two chambers could not concur on amendments.

HF 767

ELECTRIC VEHICLE TAX AND FEE HIKE
(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would create a new annual registration fee for battery-electric cars and a new annual registration fee for plug-in hybrid electric cars, in addition to the existing annual registration fees already required by Iowa law. The bill also imposes new anti-growth excise taxes on hydrogen and electricity that is used for fuel. The Iowa House passed the bill, 78-20, on April 17, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 34-14, on April 27, 2019.

HF 768

BEGINNING FARMER TAX SUBSIDIES
(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill more than doubles the dollar amount of income tax credits that can be issued to landowners who lease their land and qualified equipment to beginning farmers. By unfairly helping some farmers at the expense of other farmers and taxpayers, this is an improper activity for the government to engage in. The Iowa House passed the bill, 99-1, on April 24, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 49-0, on April 25, 2019.

HF 772

“UNDER-SERVED” AREA SUBSIDIES
(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill, known as the Empower Rural Iowa act, expands programs to provide subsidies to areas the state considers under-served. Specifically, broadband infrastructure grant programs and tax exemptions are extended and tax credits for workforce housing are increased. Taxpayers should not bear this expense since it is not a core function of government. The Iowa House

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passed the bill, 98-0, on April 23, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 50-0, on April 24.

SF 230

DEREGULATION OF ALCOHOL PRODUCTION AND SALES

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This deregulatory bill, which should spur more economic growth and competition, allows Iowa beer brewers to also distill spirits and make wine, and allows winemakers to also brew beer. The Iowa House passed the bill, 97-2, on April 3, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 49-1, on April 15, 2019.

SF 377

TORT REFORM FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This pro-growth bill would limit tort abuse by capping damages, barring certain claims, limiting the ability to bring torts, and granting immunity to various state and municipal public safety employees. The Iowa Senate passed the bill, 49-0, on March 12, 2019, and the Iowa House passed the bill, 98-0, on April 25, 2019.

SF 502

WHISTLEBLOWER PROTECTION FOR PUBLIC EMPLOYEES

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill extends and enhances whistleblower protections for public employees, strengthening the first line of defense against government mismanagement and fraud. The Iowa House passed the bill, 98-0, on April 22, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 50-0, on April 25, 2019.

SF 507

REDUCING WORKERS' COMPENSATION LIABILITY

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This commonsense bill states that unexplained falls at a place of employment that do not arise in the course of employment are not eligible for workers' compensation claims. The Iowa Senate passed the bill, 32-17, on March 19, 2019, and the Iowa House passed the bill, 55-44, on April 9, 2019.

SF 634

PROPERTY TAX LIMITS AND TRANSPARENCY

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This pro-growth bill increases transparency of the property taxes levied by cities and counties. Any proposed increase in those local budgets requires specific disclosures to taxpayers and a special public hearing must be held. If the budget will increase total property taxes by more than 2% from the previous year, a supermajority vote of 2/3 of the local council or board is required for passage. The Iowa House passed the bill, 53-47, on April 24, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed the bill, 33-17, on April 24, 2019.

SF 638

JUDICIAL NOMINATING REFORM

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill contains an amendment (H-1321 / S-3262) with judicial nominating reforms that includes language removing the senior judge of the Supreme Court from the nominating

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commission and giving another nominating commission appointment to the Governor, ultimately providing a counter to the influence of the Iowa Bar Association. It also increases the frequency that the Supreme Court votes for a Chief Justice. The Iowa House passed the amendment, 52-46, on April 27, 2019, and the Iowa Senate passed it, 33-15, on the same day.

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