

Arizona State Legislative Scorecard

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

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State Legislative and Missed Votes Scorecards are created by the Club for Growth Foundation to educate the public about the voting records of legislators who serve in state legislatures and to bring awareness to lawmakers. The Foundation's State Legislative Scorecards, such as this scorecard, specifically inform the public about the positions taken by legislators in a particular state on economic growth issues.

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 Arizona'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 examines 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. ABOUT THE

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LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED IN ARIZONA IN 2022

The Foundation's study examined over 1,300 floor votes and, in the end, included 19 Arizona House votes and 19 Arizona 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 #60 in the House and #30 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 2022 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 Arizona House and Arizona 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 progrowth 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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16 Republicans

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Average Republican Score: 69% (Down from 88% in 2021)

Average Democrat Score: 8% (Down from 2% in 2021)



HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Senator Warren Petersen (SD-12) | 100%

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LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICANS Multiple with 52%



HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT Senator Sally Ann Gonzales (SD-3) | 18%



LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRATS Multiple with 0% VOTES

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| PRO-GROWTH POSITION | | | | | Y | N | Y | N | Y | N | N | Y | Y | N | Ν | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Ν | N | |
| POINTS | | | | | 2 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 8 | |
| Alston, Lela | SD-24 | D | 0% | 0% | - | - | x | х | - | - | - | x | - | - | х | х | - | - | - | - | х | - | х | 26 |
| Barto, Nancy | SD-15 | R | 89% | 86% | 2 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 3 | - | 9 | 3 | 3 | - | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 5 | - | 4 |
| Borrelli, Sonny | SD-05 | R | 69% | 74% | 2 | - | 7 | - | 3 | - | 9 | 3 | 3 | - | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 4 | - | - | 7 |
| Bowie, Sean | SD-18 | D | 16% | 11% | - | 6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 10 | - | - | - | - | - | 18 |
| Boyer, Paul | SD-20 | R | 62% | 73% | 2 | 6 | 7 | 5 | - | - | x | 3 | 3 | x | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | - | - | - | 9 |
| Contreras, Lupe | SD-19 | D | 0% | 0% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 26 |
| Fann, Karen | SD-01 | R | 52% | 68% | 2 | - | 7 | - | 3 | - | - | 3 | 3 | - | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 4 | - | - | 12 |
| Gabaldon, Rosanna | SD-02 | D | 0% | 9% | - | - | - | - | - | x | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 26 |
| Gonzales, Sally Ann | SD-03 | D | 18% | 8% | - | 6 | - | x | - | - | - | - | X | - | х | х | - | - | - | - | х | 5 | X | 17 |
| Gowan, David | SD-14 | R | 60% | 72% | 2 | - | 7 | - | 3 | - | - | 3 | 3 | - | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 4 | - | - | 10 |
| Gray, Rick | SD-21 | R | 55% | 71% | - | - | 7 | 5 | 3 | - | - | 3 | 3 | - | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 4 | - | - | 11 |
| Hatathlie, Theresa | SD-07 | D | 15% | 15% | - | 6 | - | - | - | - | 9 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 19 |
| Kerr, Sine | SD-13 | R | 52% | 69% | 2 | - | 7 | - | 3 | - | - | 3 | 3 | - | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 4 | - | - | 12 |
| Leach, Vince | SD-11 | R | 64% | 77% | 2 | - | 7 | - | 3 | - | - | 3 | 3 | - | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 4 | - | - | 8 |
| Livingston, David | SD-22 | R | 52% | 73% | 2 | - | 7 | - | 3 | - | - | 3 | 3 | - | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 4 | - | - | 12 |
| Marsh, Christine | SD-28 | D | 11% | 8% | - | х | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 10 | - | - | - | - | - | 20 |
| Mendez, Juan | SD-26 | D | n/a | 11% | х | х | х | 5 | х | х | X | X | X | х | - | х | х | х | х | х | х | х | - | |
| Mesnard, J.D. | SD-17 | R | 91% | 86% | 2 | - | 7 | 5 | 3 | - | 9 | 3 | 3 | - | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 2 |
| Otondo, Lisa | SD-04 | D | 6% | 4% | - | 6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 24 |
| Pace, Tyler | SD-25 | R | 52% | 66% | 2 | - | 7 | - | 3 | - | - | 3 | 3 | - | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 4 | - | - | 12 |

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| POINTS | | | | | 2 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 8 | |
| Petersen, Warren | SD-12 | R | 100% | 100% | 2 | 6 | 7 | 5 | 3 | 2 | 9 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 1 |
| Quezada, Martin | SD-29 | D | 11% | 8% | - | 6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | - | 20 |
| Rios, Rebecca | SD-27 | D | 0% | 0% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | 26 |
| Rogers, Wendy | SD-06 | R | 76% | 81% | 2 | - | 7 | 5 | 3 | x | - | 3 | 3 | - | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 5 | - | 6 |
| Shope, Thomas | SD-08 | R | 52% | 65% | 2 | - | 7 | - | 3 | - | - | 3 | 3 | - | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 4 | - | - | 12 |
| Stahl Hamilton, Stephanie | HD-10 | D | 11% | 8% | х | 6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | - | 20 |
| Steele, Victoria | SD-09 | D | 6% | 8% | - | 6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | 24 |
| Teran, Raquel | SD-30 | D | 11% | 16% | - | 6 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 5 | - | 20 |
| Townsend, Kelly | SD-16 | R | 84% | 81% | x | - | 7 | 5 | 3 | - | 9 | 3 | 3 | x | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 5 | - | 5 |
| Ugenti-Rita, Michelle | SD-23 | R | 90% | 88% | x | - | 7 | 5 | - | х | х | 3 | 3 | х | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 5 | 8 | 3 |

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SB 1009

LIMITING GOVERNMENT POWER (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill states that governors only have the authority to issue a state of emergency for public health matters for 30 days. After that, the governor is limited to extending that state of emergency for 30 days at a time with a limit of 120 days. From there, the state legislature has to consent to any additional extension. Limitations and checks and balances on government authority are integral to preventing government overreach. The bill passed the Senate by a vote of 16-13 on February 2, 2022, passed the House by a vote of 31-27 on April 27, 2022, and was signed into law on May 2, 2022.

SB 1093

GROWING THE ECONOMY BY CUTTING BUSINESS TAXES (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill reduces the percentage of assessed valuation of class 1 property from 17.5% to 15%

over 2 years. This tax reduction will help solidify the state's economic competitiveness and help to reduce the disparity in property tax burdens between homeowners and commercial property taxpayers. In Arizona, commercial property makes up roughly 1/5 of the property owned in the state, yet pays around 1/3 of the total property taxes. This is the type of policy the Legislature should be pursuing, lowering taxes, and also making the tax policy more fair for all. This bill passed the House 31-28 on March 23, 2022, passed the Senate by a vote of 17-11 on April 18, 2022, and was signed into law on April 22, 2022.

SB 1211

SAFEGUARDING PARENTAL RIGHTS (CFGF SUPPORTS)

Requires schools to provide parents access to materials used for student instruction by mandating that, each school that is operated by a school district or charter school, post on its website a list of learning materials and activities, including specified information and according to specified timeframes. Increasing curriculum transparency is essential to protecting parental rights. This bill passed the Senate on March 14, 2022, by a vote of 16-13 and failed in the House by 28-30 on reconsideration on April 18, 2022.

SB 1222 GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION IN PRIVATE CONTRACTS (CFGF OPPOSES)

Exempts the refundable portions of any federal or state Earned Income Tax Credits and any federal or state Child Tax Credits from debt collection. When a debt is owed, debt collectors should have the ability to enforce freely entered into private contracts in order to collect their debts without government interference. Additionally, refundable earned income tax credits are a form of welfare, which does not work and is rampant with fraud. Government should focus on decreasing government spending, as well as reducing the tax and regulatory burden of all citizens. This bill passed the Senate on February

23, 2022, by a vote of 21-7, it passed the House by a vote of 33-17 on June 24, 2022, and was signed into law on July 6, 2022.

SB 1259

INCREASING ELECTION TRANSPARENCY (CFGF SUPPORTS)

Allows the Attorney General, Secretary of State, Legislative Council, or a private citizen to request a recount in an election that is not subject to an automatic recount. Recounts may be conducted by hand or electronic tabulators and could involve a total vote review or just a verification of votes at a specific precinct or voting center. This is a method by which the government can help ensure transparency in elections and decrease the opportunity for election fraud. This bill passed the House 31-27 on June 23, 2022, then failed in the Senate on June 24, 2022, by a vote of 15-11.

SB 1643

EXPANDS EXISTING TAX CREDIT PROGRAM (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands the existing Research and

Development Tax Credit Program for firms receiving these refundable credits from \$5M to \$10M a year and creates a new program that allows up to \$50M a year in credits unused by larger companies to be converted (i.e. made refundable) for reinvestment. This legislation is bad policy as lawmakers should be looking to repeal corporate welfare giveaways, not expand them. This bill passed the Senate on March 17, 2022, by a vote of 19-10, but the bill did not receive a hearing in the House.

SCR 1049 INCREASING TAXES TO COVER WASTEFUL SPENDING

(CFGF OPPOSES)

Subject to voter approval, this bill statutorily establishes an additional 0.1 percent transaction privilege tax (TPT) and use tax on certain business classifications for a period of 20 years, and requires the collections to be deposited in the Fire District Safety Fund (Fund). The bill also prescribes payments to fire districts from the Fund and an order of priority for the payments. This legislation is essentially a bailout for fire districts that have recklessly and wastefully spent taxpayer money. The government should be decreasing taxes, not increasing them, and reducing the spending of government entities, instead of taking and wasting more taxpayer dollars. The House passed the bill by a vote of 34-25 on June 22, 2022, and passed the Senate by a vote of 25-3 on June 23, 2022. The bill was transmitted to the Secretary of State on June 23, 2022.

HB 2008

TEACHING THE TRUTH ABOUT AMERICA'S FOUNDING

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill requires the Arizona Board of Education to update its high school curriculum standards to include lessons on the "original intent of the United States' founding documents" and "defending the blessings of liberty inherited from prior generations and secured by the United States Constitution." The board must also create a list of oral history resources that provide "portraits of patriotism" and offer firstperson accounts of victims of other nations' governing philosophies. The bill specifically identifies communism and totalitarianism as the types of political ideologies that conflict

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with America's principles. This bill passed the House on February 17, 2022, by a vote of 31-28, it passed the Senate 16-12 on June 8, 2022, and was signed into law on June 17, 2022.

HB 2101

INCREASING ENERGY COSTS (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill repeals a 20-year-old statute that promotes competition among public power entities, thus making it more difficult for new energy providers to enter the market, and therefore giving increased monopolistic advantages to the main power suppliers currently operating in Arizona. These actions ultimately result in higher prices for consumers. Government should foster competition in all sectors by allowing for a free market, not limit competition by creating barriers to entry that favor one entity over another. This bill passed the House on reconsideration on February 23, 2022, by a vote of 37-21, it passed the Senate on reconsideration 17-11 on April 19, 2022, and was signed into law on April 26, 2022.

HB 2107

REIGNING IN GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY TO SHUTTER BUSINESSES (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill eliminates the ability of mayors to shut down businesses during declarations of emergency. Government should not have the right to remove a person's ability to earn a livelihood. This bill passed the House on February 17, 2022, by a vote of 31-28, it passed the Senate

16-12 on March 23, 2022, and was signed into law on March 30, 2022.

HB 2156 SUBSIDIES FOR MOVIE PRODUCERS (CFGF OPPOSES)

Requires the Arizona Commerce Authority to implement an Arizona Motion Picture Production Program and establish the individual and corporate Credit for Motion Picture Production Costs. This bill not only creates a government entity to administer corporate welfare and pick winners and losers, but it also creates a refundable tax credit of up to \$150 million per year. This bill passed the Senate on June 23, 2022, by a vote of 19-9, it passed the House 39-18 on June 23, 2022, and became law on July 6, 2022, without the signature of the Governor.

HB 2238 INCREASING ELECTION INTEGRITY

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

Prohibits a county recorder or other officer in charge of elections from using an unmonitored drop-box for receipt of voted ballots and requires a county, where it is not practicable for election staff to be present at a drop-box, to provide and maintain 24-hour video surveillance of the drop-box. The bill also prohibits a county recorder or other officer in charge of elections from allowing a voter to receive a ballot and vote from a vehicle, unless otherwise required by law for elderly voters or voters with disabilities. Measures such as these help reduce fraud and assist with ensuring free and fair elections. This bill passed the House on March 3, 2022, by a vote of 31-27, but failed in the Senate by a vote of 14-15 on May 23, 2022.

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HB 2381

GROWING THE SIZE OF GOVERNMENT (CFGF OPPOSES)

Allows the Arizona Office of Tourism (AOT) to produce, own, sell, or license services or personal property related to the duties and goals of the AOT and establishes the Tourism Development Fund. This bill expands the authority of a government-run corporate welfare organization, it also places the government into areas where the private sector is already functioning. The government should not be picking winners and losers, it should not be interfering in the free market, and it should not be competing with private businesses. This bill passed the Senate 24-1 on May 18, 2022, passed the House on June 1 by a vote of 33-18, and was signed into law on June 7, 2022.

HB 2409

PERPETUATING WASTEFUL GOVERNMENT SPENDING

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill delays, until January 1, 2030, the decrease from a \$0.04 cap to a \$0.03 cap on multi-county

water conservation district property taxes per \$100 of assessed valuation. Currently, this tax cap is supposed to take effect in 2025, however, this bill pushes that date back to 2030, which essentially delays a scheduled tax cut, thus increasing taxes. Government should be reducing taxes and government spending, instead of continuing to take more and more funds from hardworking taxpayers. This bill passed 46-13 in the House on February 23, 2022, it passed the Senate by a vote of 21-6 on April 12, 2022, and was signed into law on April 18, 2022.

HB 2492 VERIFYING VOTER IDENTITY

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

Requires a person to provide satisfactory evidence of citizenship in order to be deemed a qualified voter, and also requires a person to provide proof of location of residence in order to be presumed to be properly registered to vote. This legislation is another positive step to increase election integrity and reduce fraud. This bill passed the House on February 28, 2022, by a vote of 31-26, it passed the Senate by a vote of 16-12 on March 23, 2022, and was signed into law on March 30, 2022.

HB 2498

LIMITING GOVERNMENT INFRINGEMENT UPON INDIVIDUAL FREEDOMS (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill prohibits governments from mandating COVID-19 vaccinations for any Arizonan, and thus promotes individual liberty. Decisions about vaccinations should be in the hands of individuals, not the government. This bill passed the House by a vote of 31-28 on February 24, 2022, passed the Senate by a vote of 16-12 on April 18, 2022, and was signed into law on April 25, 2022.

HB 2610

EXPANDING SUBSIDIES FOR CRONY DEVELOPERS (CFGF OPPOSES)

Removes the 200-unit cap for affordable rental housing property to qualify for a property tax exemption. The government should let the free market do its work. The best way to address ABOUT THE

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low-income housing is through lower taxes and regulatory fees on builders and all citizens. This bill passed the Senate on April 26, 2022, by a vote of 25-1 and passed the House by a vote of 34-19 on June 6, 2022, and was signed into law on June 8, 2022.

HB 2685

CLEARING THE WAY FOR HIGHER TAXES, MORE TAXES, AND MORE WASTEFUL GOVERNMENT SPENDING (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill directs the Board of Supervisors in Maricopa County to call a countywide election for the continuation of the county transportation excise tax on November 8, 2022. This tax was initially passed in the 1980's and was to be used exclusively for building roads and bridges, but has now morphed into funding more Green New Deal-type 'improvements' like using tax dollars for the overpaid and under-used light rail, as well as for street trollies, bike paths, trails, and a "regional program" slush fund. Government should be focused on reducing taxes, not increasing them, and using transportation dollars effectively. This bill passed the Senate on June 23, 2022, by a vote of 19-9, passed the House by a vote of 37-21 on June 23, 2022, and was vetoed by the Governor on July 6, 2022.

HB 2853

SCHOOL CHOICE FOR ALL K-12 STUDENTS (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This historic legislation is the largest school choice expansion in US history and allows every K-12 eligible child to redirect approximately \$7,000 of their education tax dollars towards whatever learning model works best for them. Power should be in the hands of parents, not the government, to determine how their education tax dollars are best spent to educate their own children. This bill passed the House on June 22, 2022, by a vote of 31-26, it passed the Senate by a vote of 16-10 on June 24, 2022, and was signed into law on July 7, 2022.

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HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICANS Multiple with 100%



LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICAN Rep. Joel John (HD-4) | 47%

HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT Rep. Pamela Powers Hannley (HD-9) | 13%



LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRATS Multiple with 0% ABOUT THE OUNDATION

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| POINTS | | | | | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | |
| Abraham, Morgan | HD-10 | D | 0% | 0% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | 45 |
| Andrade, Richard | HD-29 | D | 0% | 14% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 45 |
| Barton, Brenda | HD-06 | R | 60% | 71% | 3 | - | 5 | - | 4 | - | - | - | 4 | 4 | - | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 3 | 7 | 26 |
| Biasiucci, Leo | HD-05 | R | 91% | 88% | 3 | - | 5 | x | 4 | 3 | 9 | - | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 8 |
| Blackman, Walter | HD-06 | R | 82% | 83% | 3 | - | 5 | 5 | 4 | - | - | x | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 12 |
| Blackwater-Nygren, Jasmine | HD-07 | D | 0% | 0% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | 45 |
| Bolding, Reginald | HD-27 | D | 5% | 11% | - | 5 | - | - | х | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 34 |
| Bolick, Shawnna | HD-20 | R | 96% | 95% | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 9 | - | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 6 |
| Bowers, Russell | HD-25 | R | 58% | 72% | 3 | - | 5 | 5 | 4 | - | - | - | 4 | 4 | - | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 3 | - | 27 |
| Burges, Judy | HD-01 | R | 100% | 100% | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 1 |
| Butler, Kelli | HD-28 | D | 5% | 10% | - | 5 | - | - | - | x | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | 34 |
| Cano, Andres | HD-03 | D | 5% | 8% | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 34 |
| Carroll, Frank | HD-22 | R | 62% | 76% | 3 | - | 5 | - | 4 | - | - | - | 4 | 4 | 2 | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 3 | 7 | 24 |
| Carter, Neal | HD-08 | R | 96% | 96% | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 9 | - | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 6 |
| Chaplik, Joseph | HD-23 | R | 100% | 100% | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | Х | 3 | 7 | 1 |
| Chavez, Cesar | HD-29 | D | 0% | 8% | - | - | - | - | - | x | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 45 |
| Cobb, Regina | HD-05 | R | 73% | 71% | 3 | - | 5 | - | 4 | x | 9 | - | 4 | 4 | 2 | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 3 | 7 | 20 |
| Cook, David | HD-08 | R | 64% | 73% | 3 | - | 5 | - | 4 | 3 | - | - | 4 | 4 | - | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 3 | - | 23 |
| Dalessandro, Andrea | HD-02 | D | 0% | 5% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | х | 45 |
| DeGrazia, Domingo | HD-10 | D | 5% | 12% | - | 5 | - | - | - | x | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 34 |

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|---------------------|----------|-------|-------|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|------|
| PRO-GROWTH POSITION | | | | | Y | N | Y | N | Y | N | N | N | Y | Y | N | Ν | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | |
| POINTS | | | | | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | |
| Diaz, Lupe | HD-14 | R | 82% | 82% | 3 | - | 5 | - | 4 | 3 | 9 | - | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 3 | 7 | 12 |
| Dunn, Timothy | HD-13 | R | 58% | 67% | 3 | - | 5 | 5 | 4 | - | - | - | 4 | 4 | - | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 3 | - | 27 |
| Epstein, Mitzi | HD-18 | D | 5% | 13% | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 34 |
| Espinoza, Diego | HD-19 | D | 0% | 7% | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 45 |
| Fernandez, Brian | HD-04 | D | 3% | 3% | - | - | - | - | - | 3 | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 44 |
| Fillmore, John | HD-16 | R | 86% | 87% | 3 | - | 5 | - | 4 | 3 | 9 | - | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 10 |
| Finchem, Mark | HD-11 | R | 78% | 82% | 3 | 5 | 5 | - | 4 | 3 | - | - | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 3 | 7 | 16 |
| Grantham, Travis | HD-12 | R | 87% | 93% | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | - | - | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 9 |
| Griffin, Gail | HD-14 | R | 82% | 83% | 3 | - | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | - | - | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 12 |
| Hernandez, Alma | HD-03 | D | 0% | 11% | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | х | х | - | 45 |
| Hernandez, Daniel | HD-02 | D | 0% | 11% | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | - | x | - | - | - | х | - | - | 45 |
| Hernandez, Melody | HD-26 | D | 6% | 14% | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | х | х | - | 33 |
| Hoffman, Jake | HD-12 | R | 100% | 100% | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | х | 3 | 7 | 1 |
| Jermaine, Jennifer | HD-18 | D | 0% | 8% | - | x | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 45 |
| John, Joel | HD-04 | R | 47% | 49% | 3 | - | 5 | - | 4 | - | - | - | 4 | 4 | - | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | - | - | 3 | - | 31 |
| Kaiser, Steve | HD-15 | R | 71% | 75% | 3 | - | 5 | 5 | 4 | - | - | - | 4 | 4 | - | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | - | 4 | 3 | 7 | 21 |
| Kavanagh, John | HD-23 | R | 82% | 78% | 3 | - | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | - | - | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 12 |
| Liguori, Sarah | HD-28 | D | 5% | 5% | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | x | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 34 |
| Longdon, Jennifer | HD-24 | D | 5% | 7% | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 34 |
| Martinez, Teresa | HD-11 | R | 62% | 62% | 3 | - | 5 | - | 4 | 3 | - | - | 4 | 4 | 2 | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | - | 24 |

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| PRO-GROWTH POSITION | | | | | Y | N | Y | N | Y | N | N | N | Y | Y | N | Ν | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | |
| POINTS | | | | | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | |
| Mathis, Christopher | HD-09 | D | 0% | 0% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | 45 |
| Meza, Robert | HD-30 | D | 0% | 8% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | 45 |
| Nguyen, Quang | HD-01 | R | 77% | 82% | 3 | - | 5 | - | 4 | - | 9 | - | 4 | 4 | - | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 3 | 7 | 17 |
| Osborne, Joanne | HD-13 | R | 65% | 64% | 3 | - | 5 | 5 | 4 | - | - | - | 4 | 4 | - | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 3 | 7 | 22 |
| Parker, Jacqueline | HD-16 | R | 100% | 100% | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 1 |
| Pawlik, Jennifer | HD-17 | D | 0% | 9% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 45 |
| Payne, Kevin | HD-21 | R | 83% | 91% | 3 | - | 5 | - | 4 | - | 9 | - | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 11 |
| Pingerelli, Beverly | HD-21 | R | 100% | 100% | 3 | 5 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 3 | 9 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 1 |
| Powers Hannley, Pamela | HD-09 | D | 13% | 15% | - | 5 | - | 5 | - | 3 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 32 |
| Quiñonez, Marcelino | HD-27 | D | 0% | 0% | - | - | - | - | - | х | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 45 |
| Salman, Athena | HD-26 | D | n/a | 18% | х | x | x | x | x | x | х | x | x | x | x | - | x | х | x | х | х | - | - | |
| Schwiebert, Judy | HD-20 | D | 5% | 4% | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 34 |
| Shah, Amish | HD-24 | D | 5% | 7% | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 34 |
| Sierra, Lorenzo | HD-19 | D | 0% | 7% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 45 |
| Solorio, Christian | HD-30 | D | 5% | 5% | - | 5 | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | 34 |
| Toma, Ben | HD-22 | R | 77% | 77% | 3 | - | 5 | 5 | 4 | - | - | - | 4 | 4 | - | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 17 |
| Tsosie, Myron | HD-07 | D | 0% | 5% | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | - | x | - | - | 45 |
| Udall, Michelle | HD-25 | R | 55% | 58% | 3 | - | 5 | - | 4 | х | - | - | 4 | 4 | - | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | - | 3 | - | 30 |
| Weninger, Jeff | HD-17 | R | 77% | 75% | 3 | - | 5 | 5 | 4 | - | - | - | 4 | 4 | - | 8 | 10 | 4 | 10 | 6 | 4 | 3 | 7 | 17 |
| Wilmeth, Justin | HD-15 | R | 58% | 67% | 3 | - | 5 | - | 4 | - | - | - | 4 | 4 | - | - | 10 | 4 | 10 | - | 4 | 3 | 7 | 27 |

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HB 2008

TEACHING THE TRUTH ABOUT AMERICA'S FOUNDING (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill requires the Arizona Board of Education to update its high school curriculum standards to include lessons on the "original intent of the United States' founding documents" and "defending the blessings of liberty inherited from prior generations and secured by the United States Constitution." The board must also create a list of oral history resources that provide "portraits of patriotism" and offer firstperson accounts of victims of other nations' governing philosophies. The bill specifically identifies communism and totalitarianism as the types of political ideologies that conflict with America's principles. This bill passed the House on February 17, 2022, by a vote of 31-28, it passed the Senate 16-12 on June 8, 2022, and was signed into law on June 17, 2022.

HB 2101

INCREASING ENERGY COSTS (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill repeals a 20-year-old statute that promotes competition among public power entities, thus making it more difficult for new energy providers to enter the market, and therefore giving increased monopolistic advantages to the main power suppliers currently operating in Arizona. These actions ultimately result in higher prices for consumers. Government should foster competition in all sectors by allowing for a free market, not limit competition by creating barriers to entry that favor one entity over another. This bill passed the House on reconsideration on February 23, 2022, by a vote of 37-21, it passed the Senate on reconsideration 17-11 on April 19, 2022, and was signed into law on April 26, 2022.

HB 2107

REIGNING IN GOVERNMENT AUTHORITY TO SHUTTER BUSINESSES (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill eliminates the ability of mayors to shut down businesses during declarations of emergency. Government should not have the right to remove a person's ability to earn a livelihood. This bill passed the House on February 17, 2022, by a vote of 31-28, it passed the Senate 16-12 on March 23, 2022, and was signed into law on March 30, 2022.

HB 2156

SUBSIDIES FOR MOVIE PRODUCERS (CFGF OPPOSES)

Requires the Arizona Commerce Authority to implement an Arizona Motion Picture Production Program and establish the individual and corporate Credit for Motion Picture Production Costs. This bill not only creates a government entity to administer corporate welfare and pick winners and losers, but it also creates a

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refundable tax credit of up to \$150 million per year. This bill passed the Senate on June 23, 2022, by a vote of 19-9, it passed the House 39-18 on June 23, 2022, and became law on July 6, 2022, without the signature of the Governor.

HB 2238

INCREASING ELECTION INTEGRITY (CFGF SUPPORTS)

Prohibits a county recorder or other officer in charge of elections from using an unmonitored drop-box for receipt of voted ballots and requires a county, where it is not practicable for election staff to be present at a drop-box, to provide and maintain 24-hour video surveillance of the drop-box. The bill also prohibits a county recorder or other officer in charge of elections from allowing a voter to receive a ballot and vote from a vehicle, unless otherwise required by law for elderly voters or voters with disabilities. Measures such as these help reduce fraud and assist with ensuring free and fair elections. This bill passed the House on March 3, 2022, by a vote of 31-27, but failed in the Senate by a vote of 14-15 on May 23, 2022.

HB 2381 GROWING THE SIZE OF GOVERNMENT

(CFGF OPPOSES)

Allows the Arizona Office of Tourism (AOT) to produce, own, sell, or license services or personal property related to the duties and goals of the AOT and establishes the Tourism Development Fund. This bill expands the authority of a government-run corporate welfare organization, it also places the government into areas where the private sector is already functioning. The government should not be picking winners and losers, it should not be interfering in the free market, and it should not be competing with private businesses. This bill passed the Senate 24-1 on May 18, 2022, passed the House on June 1 by a vote of 33-18, and was signed into law on June 7, 2022.

HB 2409

PERPETUATING WASTEFUL GOVERNMENT SPENDING

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill delays, until January 1, 2030, the decrease from a \$0.04 cap to a \$0.03 cap on multi-county

water conservation district property taxes per \$100 of assessed valuation. Currently, this tax cap is supposed to take effect in 2025, however, this bill pushes that date back to 2030, which essentially delays a scheduled tax cut, thus increasing taxes. Government should be reducing taxes and government spending, instead of continuing to take more and more funds from hardworking taxpayers. This bill passed 46-13 in the House on February 23, 2022, it passed the Senate by a vote of 21-6 on April 12, 2022, and was signed into law on April 18, 2022.

HB 2454 INCREASING CORPORATE WELFARE (CFGF OPPOSES)

This legislation increases the low-income housing tax credit from \$4M to \$10M and extends the credit until 2035. Low-income housing tax credit programs, such as this program and its federal counterpart the LIHTC program, are rife with fraud, benefit politicallyconnected developers at the expense of taxpayers, result in inflated costs, and often fail to provide the very affordable housing that supposedly justifies their existence. Lawmakers

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should address low-income housing needs by lowering taxes and regulatory fees, which can amount to one-third of building costs. This bill passed the House on February 17, 2022, by a vote of 52-5, but did not receive a vote in the Senate.

HB 2492 VERIFYING VOTER IDENTITY (CFGF SUPPORTS)

Requires a person to provide satisfactory evidence of citizenship in order to be deemed a qualified voter, and also requires a person to provide proof of location of residence in order to be presumed to be properly registered to vote. This legislation is another positive step to increase election integrity and reduce fraud. This bill passed the House on February 28, 2022, by a vote of 31-26, it passed the Senate by a vote of 16-12 on March 23, 2022, and was signed into law on March 30, 2022.

HB 2498

LIMITING GOVERNMENT INFRINGEMENT UPON INDIVIDUAL FREEDOMS (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill prohibits governments from mandating COVID-19 vaccinations for any Arizonan, and thus promotes individual liberty. Decisions about vaccinations should be in the hands of individuals, not the government. This bill passed the House by a vote of 31-28 on February 24, 2022, passed the Senate by a vote of 16-12 on April 18, 2022, and was signed into law on April 25, 2022.

HB 2610 EXPANDING SUBSIDIES FOR CRONY DEVELOPERS (CFGF OPPOSES)

Removes the 200-unit cap for affordable rental housing property to qualify for a property tax exemption. The government should let the free market do its work. The best way to address low-income housing is through lower taxes and regulatory fees on builders and all citizens. This bill passed the Senate on April 26, 2022, by a vote of 25-1 and passed the House by a vote of 34-19 on June 6, 2022, and was signed into law on June 8, 2022.

HB 2685

CLEARING THE WAY FOR HIGHER TAXES, MORE TAXES, AND MORE WASTEFUL GOVERNMENT SPENDING (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill directs the Board of Supervisors in Maricopa County to call a countywide election for the continuation of the county transportation excise tax on November 8, 2022. This tax was initially passed in the 1980's and was to be used exclusively for building roads and bridges, but has now morphed into funding more Green New Deal-type 'improvements' like using tax dollars for the overpaid and under-used light rail, as well as for street trollies, bike paths, trails, and a "regional program" slush fund. Government should be focused on reducing taxes, not increasing them, and using transportation dollars effectively. This bill passed the Senate on June 23, 2022, by a vote of 19-9, passed the House by a vote of 37-21 on June 23, 2022, and was vetoed by the Governor on July 6, 2022.

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HB 2853

SCHOOL CHOICE FOR ALL K-12 STUDENTS (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This historic legislation is the largest school choice expansion in US history and allows every K-12 eligible child to redirect approximately \$7,000 of their education tax dollars towards whatever learning model works best for them. Power should be in the hands of parents, not the government, to determine how their education tax dollars are best spent to educate their own children. This bill passed the House on June 22, 2022, by a vote of 31-26, it passed the Senate by a vote of 16-10 on June 24, 2022, and was signed into law on July 7, 2022.

SB 1009

LIMITING GOVERNMENT POWER (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill states that governors only have the authority to issue a state of emergency for public health matters for 30 days. After that, the governor is limited to extending that state of emergency for 30 days at a time with a limit of 120 days. From there, the state legislature has to consent to any additional extension. Limitations and checks and balances on government authority are integral to preventing government overreach. The bill passed the Senate by a vote of 16-13 on February 2, 2022, passed the House by a vote of 31-27 on April 27, 2022, and was signed into law on May 2, 2022.

SB 1093 GROWING THE ECONOMY BY CUTTING BUSINESS TAXES

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill reduces the percentage of assessed valuation of class 1 property from 17.5% to 15% over 2 years. This tax reduction will help solidify the state's economic competitiveness and help to reduce the disparity in property tax burdens between homeowners and commercial property taxpayers. In Arizona, commercial property makes up roughly 1/5 of the property owned in the state, yet pays around 1/3 of the total property taxes. This is the type of policy the Legislature should be pursuing, lowering taxes, and also making the tax policy more fair for all. This bill passed the House 31-28 on March

23, 2022, passed the Senate by a vote of 17-11 on April 18, 2022, and was signed into law on April 22, 2022.

SB 1211

SAFEGUARDING PARENTAL RIGHTS (CFGF SUPPORTS)

Requires schools to provide parents access to materials used for student instruction by mandating that, each school that is operated by a school district or charter school, post on its website a list of learning materials and activities, including specified information and according to specified timeframes. Increasing curriculum transparency is essential to protecting parental rights. This bill passed the Senate on March 14, 2022, by a vote of 16-13 and failed in the House by 28-30 on reconsideration on April 18, 2022.

SB 1222 GOVERNMENT INTERVENTION IN PRIVATE CONTRACTS (CFGF OPPOSES)

Exempts the refundable portions of any federal or

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state Earned Income Tax Credits and any federal or state Child Tax Credits from debt collection. When a debt is owed, debt collectors should have the ability to enforce freely entered into private contracts in order to collect their debts without government interference. Additionally, refundable earned income tax credits are a form of welfare, which does not work and is rampant with fraud. Government should focus on decreasing government spending, as well as reducing the tax and regulatory burden of all citizens. This bill passed the Senate on February 23, 2022, by a vote of 21-7, it passed the House by a vote of 33-17 on June 24, 2022, and was signed into law on July 6, 2022.

SB 1259

INCREASING ELECTION TRANSPARENCY (CFGF SUPPORTS)

Allows the Attorney General, Secretary of State, Legislative Council, or a private citizen to request a recount in an election that is not subject to an automatic recount. Recounts may be conducted by hand or electronic tabulators and could involve a total vote review or just a verification of votes at a specific precinct or voting center. This is a method by which the government can help ensure transparency in elections and decrease the opportunity for election fraud. This bill passed the House 31-27 on June 23, 2022, then failed in the Senate on June 24, 2022, by a vote of 15-11.

SCR 1049

INCREASING TAXES TO COVER WASTEFUL SPENDING

(CFGF OPPOSES)

Subject to voter approval, this bill statutorily establishes an additional 0.1 percent transaction privilege tax (TPT) and use tax on certain business classifications for a period of 20 years, and requires the collections to be deposited in the Fire District Safety Fund (Fund). The bill also prescribes payments to fire districts from the Fund and an order of priority for the payments. This legislation is essentially a bailout for fire districts that have recklessly and wastefully spent taxpayer money. The government should be decreasing taxes, not increasing them, and reducing the spending of government entities, instead of taking and wasting more taxpayer dollars. The House passed the bill by a vote of 34-25 on June 22, 2022, and passed the Senate by a vote of 25-3 on June 23, 2022. The bill was transmitted to the Secretary of State on June 23, 2022.

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