



2022

Alabama State Legislative Scorecard

See how Members of Alabama'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. This 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 Alabama’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
- Limiting 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.

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The Foundation’s study examined over 1,800 floor votes and, in the end, included 17 Alabama House votes and 17 Alabama 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 #105 in the House and #35 in the

Senate if all lawmakers are present. 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 Alabama House and Alabama 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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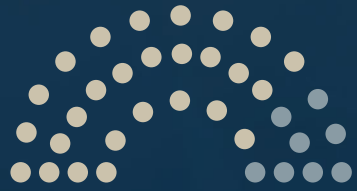
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27 Republicans

8 Democrats

0 Vacancies

Average Republican Score: 39%

(Up from 27% in 2021)

Average Democrat Score: 34%

(Up from 11% in 2021)



HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Senator Sam Givhan (SD-7) | 55%



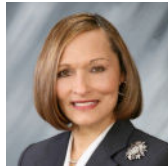
LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Senator Larry Stutts (SD-6) | 28%



HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

Senator Bobby Singleton (SD-24) | 43%



LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

Senator Vivian Figures (SD-33) | 16%

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PRO-GROWTH POSITION					N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	
POINTS					3	3	10	3	8	4	4	3	3	4	10	10	3	7	7	8	10		
Albritton, Greg	SD-22	R	41%	27%	-	3	-	-	X	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	12	
Allen, Gerald	SD-21	R	40%	23%	-	3	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	16	
Barfoot, Will	SD-25	R	46%	33%	X	3	-	-	8	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	2	
Beasley, William	SD-28	D	29%	21%	-	3	-	-	8	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	7	7	X	-	30	
Butler, Tom	SD-02	R	44%	27%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	7	7	8	10	3	
Chambliss, Clyde	SD-30	R	33%	23%	X	3	-	-	8	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	X	X	27	
Chesteen, Donnie	SD-29	R	39%	25%	X	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	X	10	18	
Coleman-Madison, Linda	SD-20	D	40%	17%	-	3	X	X	8	-	X	-	-	-	-	X	X	7	7	X	-	16	
Dunn, Priscilla	SD-19	D	n/a	n/a	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Elliott, Chris	SD-32	R	43%	27%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	5	
Figures, Vivian	SD-33	D	16%	18%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	X	X	33	
Givhan, Sam	SD-07	R	55%	29%	X	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	7	7	8	10	1	
Gudger, Garlan	SD-04	R	32%	23%	-	3	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	7	7	8	X	29	
Hatcher, Kirk	SD-26	D	35%	16%	-	3	-	-	8	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	8	10	25	
Holley, Jimmy	SD-31	R	37%	27%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	X	23	
Jones, Andrew	SD-10	R	43%	27%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	5	
Livingston, Steve	SD-08	R	44%	26%	X	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	3	
Marsh, Del	SD-12	R	36%	22%	-	3	-	-	X	-	-	-	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	8	10	24	
McClendon, Jim	SD-11	R	43%	28%	X	3	-	-	X	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	5	
Melson, Tim	SD-01	R	41%	29%	-	X	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	12	

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Orr, Arthur	SD-03	R	43%	29%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Price, Randy	SD-13	R	38%	25%	-	3	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	20
Reed, Greg	SD-05	R	43%	27%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Roberts, Dan	SD-15	R	41%	30%	-	3	-	-	X	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	12
Sanders-Fortier, Malika	SD-23	D	n/a	11%	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Scofield, Clay	SD-09	R	33%	24%	-	X	-	-	8	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	8	10	27
Sessions, David	SD-35	R	38%	28%	-	3	-	-	8	X	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	7	7	X	X	20
Shelnutt, Shay	SD-17	R	39%	36%	X	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	X	10	18
Singleton, Bobby	SD-24	D	43%	19%	-	X	-	-	8	X	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	X	X	5
Smitherman, Rodger	SD-18	D	41%	18%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	8	X	12
Stutts, Larry	SD-06	R	28%	25%	-	3	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	X	8	10	32
Waggoner, J. T.	SD-16	R	38%	24%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	X	10	20
Weaver, April	SD-14	R	43%	26%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Whatley, Tom	SD-27	R	29%	17%	-	X	-	-	8	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	X	X	30
Williams, Jack	SD-34	R	35%	23%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	X	8	10	25

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HB 1

SUPPLEMENTAL COVID SPENDING SPLURGE (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill allocates \$1.1 billion in federal tax dollars through the dubiously-titled “American Rescue Plan.” Specifically, the legislation appropriates \$220 million for a massive broadband boondoggle and \$200 million for various hospital systems among other expenditures. The \$2 trillion price tag on ARPA is one of the primary drivers of the record inflation eating into household budgets and family finance. Earmarking money wrongly seen as “free” for myriad big government projects creates a false “spending floor” for future legislative sessions, building pressure for future spending and tax hikes. The Alabama House passed the bill, 100-1, on January 25, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed the bill, 26-0, on January 27, 2022.

HB 82

MODEST SMALL BUSINESS TAX RELIEF (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill includes a number of measured tax relief provisions for small businesses in Alabama. While mostly marginal in scope, the legislation does provide an exemption of up to \$40,000 from the state business personal property tax, which captures a significant percentage of businesses throughout the state. Additional provisions include a filing extension and increasing the threshold calculation from \$2,500 to \$5,000 for monthly estimated sales tax payments. While the bill provides uneven relief for small businesses, a better policy approach would be lowering tax rates altogether. The Alabama House passed the bill, 99-0, on February 3, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 29-0, on February 17, 2022.

HB 135

EDUCATION FUND BUDGET BINGE (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill allocates \$8.2 billion in spending to the Education Trust Fund. This is the largest

education fund budget in Alabama’s history after the previous year’s highest at \$7.7 billion. This is a \$500 million increase--roughly 6.5 percent--over 2021 education spending. The legislation includes nearly \$120 million in new spending for colleges and universities and a 4 percent across-the-board pay raise for teachers with fewer than nine years of employment. In an environment marked by skyrocketing inflation and high costs due to profligate spending, this bill foists an undue burden on hardworking Alabama taxpayers. The Alabama House passed the bill, 100-1, on March 8, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 32-0, on March 31, 2022.

HB 136

MERITLESS SALARY INCREASE FOR TEACHERS (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill provides a 4 percent across-the-board pay raise for all certified K-12 teachers and administrative personnel in the Alabama public school system. This spending does not take into account the performance of

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teachers and administrative personnel and follows four straight years of pay raises. Despite ranking near the bottom in education quality, Alabama teachers are in the top half of the nation when it comes to overall pay. Such policies contribute to unhealthy long-term fiscal outlooks and stagnation in education outcomes. The Alabama House passed the bill, 101-0, on March 8, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 32-0, on March 31, 2022.

HB 163

STANDARD DEDUCTION INCREASE (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill increases the standard deduction for Alabama's state income tax. Specifically, the legislation increases the optional standard deduction by \$1,000 for married couples who file jointly and \$500 for individuals. Additionally, the legislation increases the income range allowable for dependent exemption from \$20,000 to \$50,000. While the bill provides targeted tax relief for struggling families and households, a better policy approach would be lowering the state income tax rate or phasing it out altogether. The Alabama House passed

the bill, 101-0, on March 17, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 25-0, on April 7, 2022.

HB 255

BROADBAND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill proposes an amendment to the Alabama constitution that authorizes subdivisions of the state to award grant money for expanding broadband infrastructure. If adopted, this legislation paves the way for permanent and widespread taxpayer-funded handouts to politically well-connected entities at the local and state level regardless of the efficacy of the project. The bill embeds cronyism into the Alabama constitution with little oversight and no safeguards for taxpayers with diminished recourse for repeal. The Alabama House passed the bill, 101-0, on February 15, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 27-0, on March 10, 2022.

HB 267

SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATION SPENDING (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill allocates another \$282 million to colleges and universities in addition to the \$8.2 billion in

record spending for the Education Trust Fund budget. Such spending decisions should be confined within the state's budget process, not outside of existing authorization levels. Alabama's bifurcated state budget structure and opaque process at times make it easier for lawmakers to simply appropriate new or additional money for governmental entities outside of the confines of the state's budget. The Alabama House passed the bill, 102-0, on March 8, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 31-0, on March 31, 2022.

HB 297

CRONY RAILROAD TAX CREDIT (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill creates a new railroad rehabilitation tax credit for the benefit of only a handful of entities to offset the state income tax. Specifically, the legislation creates a specialized tax credit equal to 50 percent of qualified railroad rehabilitation expenditures. The credit is available through 2027 with an aggregate cap of \$22.5 million. Lawmakers should not wield the tax code to reward a handful of powerful and well-connected special interests at the expense of hardworking blue-collar and middle-class

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taxpayers. The Alabama House passed the bill, 98-0, on March 1, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 33-0, on March 31, 2022.

HB 318

ONLINE RETAILERS REGULATORY SCHEME (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill imposes stringent regulations on third-party sellers operating in online marketplaces and platforms. Specifically, the legislation requires individuals or entities routinely selling high volumes of products, defined as 200 items per year at more than \$5,000 in total sales, to provide contact and taxation information to the online marketplace. Furthermore, the bill requires online marketplaces to monitor high-volume third-party sellers, extract their personal and business identification, and restrict their ability to sell if they do not comply with new regulations. This legislation inflicts needlessly burdensome government mandates on private companies and entrepreneurs alike. The Alabama House passed the bill, 99-0, on March 17, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 29-0, on April 7, 2022.

HB 435

STUDENT LOAN SUBSIDY EXPANSION (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands a taxpayer-funded subsidy scheme for STEM teachers that would pay for up to \$7500 in additional student loan repayments for those who teach in so-called “hard-to-staff” or failing schools. This is a 50 percent increase from similar legislation passed in 2021 at the exact moment that the Biden administration was pushing an unconstitutional student loan forgiveness. Federal student loan debt currently stands at an astounding \$1.8 trillion. Policies that recklessly utilize state tax dollars to pay for taxpayer-funded student loans exacerbate our debt crisis and force Alabamans into endless tax-and-spend cycles. The Alabama House passed the bill, 98-0, on March 31, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 27-0, on April 7, 2022.

SB 38

ABOLISHING STATE AUDITOR (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill proposes an amendment to the Alabama constitution to merge the office of State Auditor into the office of State Treasurer.

Reducing wasteful bureaucracies is important, however, abolishing the auditor’s office in a state notorious for its opaque budget process and profligate spending is contrary to good governance. The auditor is key for both transparency and spending accountability within the state government and should have its oversight powers increased. The Alabama House failed to pass the bill, 46-36, on April 7, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 32-1, on March 30, 2022.

SB 106

GENERAL FUND BUDGET BINGE (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill allocates \$2.7 billion in spending for the State General Fund. This is an 8.9 percent increase from last year’s budget and once again makes this the largest general fund budget in Alabama’s history. The legislation includes a 4 percent across-the-board pay raise for state employees and includes increased Medicaid funding. In an environment marked by skyrocketing inflation and high costs due to profligate spending, this bill foists yet another undue burden on hardworking Alabama

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taxpayers. The Alabama House passed the bill, 101-0, on March 15, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 29-1, on February 24, 2022.

SB 110

MERITLESS GOVERNMENT WORKER RAISE (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill provides a 4 percent across-the-board salary increase for all state government employees. This includes both classified and unclassified employees who may or may not be subject to the State Merit System. This is double the pay increase from the previous year. In an environment marked by skyrocketing inflation and high costs due to profligate spending, this bill foists yet another undue burden on hardworking Alabama taxpayers. The Alabama House passed the bill, 100-0, on March 15, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 26-0, on February 24, 2022.

SB 150

GIG WORKER PROTECTIONS (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill carves out protections for so-called “gig economy” workers—specifically drivers operating under various ride-sharing services.

The legislation prescribes a set of criteria that ensures ridesharing contract drivers will not be considered employees of companies like Uber and Lyft. Among the criteria is a signed agreement stating a driver is not an employee, has no prescribed work hours, has the ability to work for other employers, and bears the brunt of most operating expenses. This legislation is an important deregulatory effort that will help gig economy jobs to flourish and provide workers with greater flexibility to earn a living. The Alabama House passed the bill, 101-0, on March 15, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 27-0, on February 15, 2022.

SB 167

LICENSING COMPACT FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill adopts an interstate compact for licensing occupational therapy. Specifically, the legislation ensures reciprocity between Alabama and member states so that licensed occupational therapists in member states are recognized to practice in Alabama and vice-versa. While licensing schemes too often

create barriers to entry, decrease competition, and increase costs, reciprocity ensures that professionals are not punished with additional regulatory burdens for practicing their craft in a different state. The Alabama House passed the bill, 101-0, on February 24, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 27-0, on February 15, 2022.

SB 224

MODEST UNEMPLOYMENT REFORM (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements reforms in the state’s unemployment insurance program. Specifically, the legislation requires those receiving UI benefits to engage in work search at least three times per week to continue receiving the benefits instead of the previous baseline of just once per week. The bill helps move people out of unemployment and back into the workforce. The Alabama House passed the bill, 76-24, on April 6, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 23-0, on March 17, 2022.

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SB 261

SCHOOL CHOICE EXPANSION

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill increases the contribution limitations for Alabama's preexisting tax credit scholarship program. Specifically, the legislation raises the contribution cap to 100 percent of an individual's income tax liability with a ceiling set at \$100,000 over the previous 50 percent cap set at \$50,000. The total amount of the credit is \$30 million. The funds are used to help parents offset the costs of transferring a student out of a failing K-12 government school to a non-failing government or private school of the parent's choice. The Alabama House passed the bill, 101-0, on April 5, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 23-2, on March 15, 2022.

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HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Rep. Andrew Sorrell (HD-03) | **63%**



LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICANS

Multiple with | **43%**



HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

Rep. Kelvin Lawrence (HD-69) | **55%**



LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRATS

Rep. Thomas Jackson (HD-68) | **35%**

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Alexander, Louise	HD-056	D	45%	23%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	38
Allen, Wes	HD-089	R	55%	34%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	X	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	3
Almond, Cynthia	HD-063	R	43%	43%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Baker, Alan	HD-066	R	48%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	8	10	21
Ball, Mike	HD-010	R	48%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	8	10	21
Bedsole, Russell	HD-049	R	43%	37%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Blackshear, Chris	HD-080	R	43%	23%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Boyd, Barbara	HD-032	D	45%	19%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	38
Bracy, Napoleon	HD-098	D	45%	21%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	38
Brown, Chip	HD-105	R	53%	28%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Brown, K.L.	HD-040	R	43%	24%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Carns, Jim	HD-048	R	53%	38%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Chestnut, Prince	HD-067	D	36%	18%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	-	10	100
Clarke, Adline	HD-097	D	47%	23%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	X	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	34
Clouse, Steve	HD-093	R	43%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Coleman, Merika	HD-057	D	39%	16%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	-	10	96
Collins, Terri	HD-008	R	43%	24%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Crawford, Danny	HD-005	R	43%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Daniels, Anthony	HD-053	D	46%	23%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	X	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	36
Dismukes, Will	HD-088	R	48%	35%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	8	10	21

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POINTS					3	3	10	3	8	4	4	3	3	4	10	10	3	7	7	8	10	
Drake, Dickie	HD-045	R	53%	26%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Drummond, Barbara	HD-103	D	45%	21%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	38
Easterbrook, Brett	HD-065	R	52%	27%	-	X	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	20
Ellis, Corley	HD-041	R	48%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	8	10	21
England, Christopher	HD-070	D	40%	17%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	-	10	95
Estes, Tracy	HD-017	R	43%	28%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Farley, Allen	HD-015	R	48%	31%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	8	10	21
Faulkner, David	HD-046	R	43%	26%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Faust, Joe	HD-094	R	43%	23%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Fincher, Bob	HD-037	R	53%	34%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Forte, Berry	HD-084	D	45%	24%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	38
Garrett, Danny	HD-044	R	43%	29%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Gaston, Victor	HD-100	R	48%	21%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	8	10	21
Givan, Juandalynn	HD-060	D	48%	23%	3	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	21
Gray, Jeremy	HD-083	D	39%	19%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	-	10	96
Greer, Lynn	HD-002	R	43%	24%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Grimsley, Dexter	HD-085	D	45%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	38
Hall, Laura	HD-019	D	46%	27%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	X	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	36
Hanes, Tommy	HD-023	R	53%	45%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Harbison, Corey	HD-012	R	53%	34%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5

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POINTS					3	3	10	3	8	4	4	3	3	4	10	10	3	7	7	8	10	
Hassell, Kenyatte	HD-078	D	45%	45%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	38
Hill, Jim	HD-050	R	43%	23%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Hollis, Rolanda	HD-058	D	53%	24%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Holmes, Mike	HD-031	R	58%	45%	-	3	X	X	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	X	7	7	8	10	2
Howard, Ralph	HD-072	D	45%	18%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	38
Hurst, Stephen	HD-035	R	45%	26%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	38
Ingram, Reed	HD-075	R	43%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Isbell, Gil	HD-028	R	53%	27%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Jackson, Thomas	HD-068	D	35%	17%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	-	10	101
Jones, Mike	HD-092	R	43%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Jones, Sam	HD-099	D	45%	20%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	38
Kiel, Jamie	HD-018	R	53%	36%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Kitchens, Wes	HD-027	R	43%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Lawrence, Kelvin	HD-069	D	55%	23%	-	3	-	-	8	X	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	3
Ledbetter, Nathaniel	HD-024	R	43%	26%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Lee, Paul	HD-086	R	43%	24%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Lipscomb, Craig	HD-030	R	43%	26%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Lovvorn, Joe	HD-079	R	43%	21%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Marques, Rhett	HD-091	R	43%	24%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
McCampbell, Artis	HD-071	D	47%	21%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	X	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	34

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PRO-GROWTH POSITION					N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	
POINTS					3	3	10	3	8	4	4	3	3	4	10	10	3	7	7	8	10	
McClammy, Patrice	HD-076	D	45%	45%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	38
McCutcheon, Mac	HD-025	R	43%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
McMillan, Steve	HD-095	R	n/a	19%	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Meadows, Charlotte	HD-074	R	43%	26%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Mooney, Arnold	HD-043	R	53%	44%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Moore, Mary	HD-059	D	44%	30%	X	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	X	-	10	-	-	7	X	-	10	50
Moore, Parker	HD-004	R	43%	28%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Morris, TaShina	HD-077	D	37%	16%	-	X	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	-	10	99
Oliver, Ed	HD-081	R	43%	27%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Paschal, Kenneth	HD-073	R	43%	43%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Pettus, Phillip	HD-001	R	43%	26%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Pringle, Chris	HD-101	R	43%	24%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Rafferty, Neil	HD-054	D	39%	18%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	-	10	96
Reynolds, Rex	HD-021	R	43%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Rich, Kerry	HD-026	R	48%	27%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	8	10	21
Robbins, Ben	HD-033	R	48%	41%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	8	10	21
Robertson, Proncey	HD-007	R	43%	26%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Rogers, John	HD-052	D	45%	33%	X	X	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	-	10	38
Sanderford, Howard	HD-020	R	53%	30%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Scott, Roderick	HD-055	D	43%	17%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	X	10	51

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PRO-GROWTH POSITION					N	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	
POINTS					3	3	10	3	8	4	4	3	3	4	10	10	3	7	7	8	10	
Sells, Chris	HD-090	R	43%	26%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Shaver, Ginny	HD-039	R	43%	22%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Shedd, Randall	HD-011	R	43%	27%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Shiver, Harry	HD-064	R	43%	24%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Simpson, Matt	HD-096	R	43%	26%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Smith, Ivan	HD-042	R	43%	28%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Sorrell, Andrew	HD-003	R	63%	66%	-	3	10	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	1
Sorrells, Jeff	HD-087	R	43%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
South, Kyle	HD-016	R	43%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Stadthagen, Scott	HD-009	R	43%	29%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Standridge, David	HD-034	R	53%	34%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Stringer, Shane	HD-102	R	48%	27%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	8	10	21
Sullivan, Rodney	HD-061	R	48%	24%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	8	10	21
Treadaway, Allen	HD-051	R	43%	28%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Wadsworth, Timothy	HD-014	R	53%	32%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Warren, Pebblin	HD-082	D	53%	23%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Wheeler, David	HD-047	R	n/a	30%	-	3	-	-	I	-	-	-	I	I	I	I	I	I	7	I	I	
Whitt, Andy	HD-006	R	48%	26%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	8	10	21
Whorton, Ritchie	HD-022	R	53%	35%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	-	7	7	8	10	5
Wilcox, Margie	HD-104	R	43%	24%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51

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POINTS					3	3	10	3	8	4	4	3	3	4	10	10	3	7	7	8	10	
Wingo, Rich	HD-062	R	48%	32%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	7	7	8	10	21
Wood, Debbie	HD-038	R	43%	25%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51
Wood, Randy	HD-036	R	43%	23%	-	3	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	7	8	10	51

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HB 1

SUPPLEMENTAL COVID SPENDING SPLURGE (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill allocates \$1.1 billion in federal tax dollars through the dubiously-titled “American Rescue Plan.” Specifically, the legislation appropriates \$220 million for a massive broadband boondoggle and \$200 million for various hospital systems among other expenditures. The \$2 trillion price tag on ARPA is one of the primary drivers of the record inflation eating into household budgets and family finance. Earmarking money wrongly seen as “free” for myriad big government projects creates a false “spending floor” for future legislative sessions, building pressure for future spending and tax hikes. The Alabama House passed the bill, 100-1, on January 25, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed the bill, 26-0, on January 27, 2022.

HB 82

MODEST SMALL BUSINESS TAX RELIEF (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill includes a number of measured tax relief provisions for small businesses in Alabama. While mostly marginal in scope, the legislation does provide an exemption of up to \$40,000 from the state business personal property tax, which captures a significant percentage of businesses throughout the state. Additional provisions include a filing extension and increasing the threshold calculation from \$2,500 to \$5,000 for monthly estimated sales tax payments. While the bill provides uneven relief for small businesses, a better policy approach would be lowering tax rates altogether. The Alabama House passed the bill, 99-0, on February 3, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 29-0, on February 17, 2022.

HB 135

EDUCATION FUND BUDGET BINGE (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill allocates \$8.2 billion in spending to the Education Trust Fund. This is the largest

education fund budget in Alabama’s history after the previous year’s highest at \$7.7 billion. This is a \$500 million increase--roughly 6.5 percent--over 2021 education spending. The legislation includes nearly \$120 million in new spending for colleges and universities and a 4 percent across-the-board pay raise for teachers with fewer than nine years of employment. In an environment marked by skyrocketing inflation and high costs due to profligate spending, this bill foists an undue burden on hardworking Alabama taxpayers. The Alabama House passed the bill, 100-1, on March 8, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 32-0, on March 31, 2022.

HB 136

MERITLESS SALARY INCREASE FOR TEACHERS (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill provides a 4 percent across-the-board pay raise for all certified K-12 teachers and administrative personnel in the Alabama public school system. This spending does not take into account the performance of

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teachers and administrative personnel and follows four straight years of pay raises. Despite ranking near the bottom in education quality, Alabama teachers are in the top half of the nation when it comes to overall pay. Such policies contribute to unhealthy long-term fiscal outlooks and stagnation in education outcomes. The Alabama House passed the bill, 101-0, on March 8, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 32-0, on March 31, 2022.

HB 163

STANDARD DEDUCTION INCREASE (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill increases the standard deduction for Alabama's state income tax. Specifically, the legislation increases the optional standard deduction by \$1,000 for married couples who file jointly and \$500 for individuals. Additionally, the legislation increases the income range allowable for dependent exemption from \$20,000 to \$50,000. While the bill provides targeted tax relief for struggling families and households, a better policy approach would be lowering the state income tax rate or phasing it out altogether. The Alabama House passed

the bill, 101-0, on March 17, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 25-0, on April 7, 2022.

HB 255

BROADBAND CONSTITUTIONAL AMENDMENT (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill proposes an amendment to the Alabama constitution that authorizes subdivisions of the state to award grant money for expanding broadband infrastructure. If adopted, this legislation paves the way for permanent and widespread taxpayer-funded handouts to politically well-connected entities at the local and state level regardless of the efficacy of the project. The bill embeds cronyism into the Alabama constitution with little oversight and no safeguards for taxpayers with diminished recourse for repeal. The Alabama House passed the bill, 101-0, on February 15, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 27-0, on March 10, 2022.

HB 267

SUPPLEMENTAL EDUCATION SPENDING (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill allocates another \$282 million to colleges and universities in addition to the \$8.2 billion in

record spending for the Education Trust Fund budget. Such spending decisions should be confined within the state's budget process, not outside of existing authorization levels. Alabama's bifurcated state budget structure and opaque process at times make it easier for lawmakers to simply appropriate new or additional money for governmental entities outside of the confines of the state's budget. The Alabama House passed the bill, 102-0, on March 8, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 31-0, on March 31, 2022.

HB 297

CRONY RAILROAD TAX CREDIT (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill creates a new railroad rehabilitation tax credit for the benefit of only a handful of entities to offset the state income tax. Specifically, the legislation creates a specialized tax credit equal to 50 percent of qualified railroad rehabilitation expenditures. The credit is available through 2027 with an aggregate cap of \$22.5 million. Lawmakers should not wield the tax code to reward a handful of powerful and well-connected special interests at the expense of hardworking blue-collar and middle-class

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taxpayers. The Alabama House passed the bill, 98-0, on March 1, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 33-0, on March 31, 2022.

HB 318

ONLINE RETAILERS REGULATORY SCHEME (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill imposes stringent regulations on third-party sellers operating in online marketplaces and platforms. Specifically, the legislation requires individuals or entities routinely selling high volumes of products, defined as 200 items per year at more than \$5,000 in total sales, to provide contact and taxation information to the online marketplace. Furthermore, the bill requires online marketplaces to monitor high-volume third-party sellers, extract their personal and business identification, and restrict their ability to sell if they do not comply with new regulations. This legislation inflicts needlessly burdensome government mandates on private companies and entrepreneurs alike. The Alabama House passed the bill, 99-0, on March 17, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 29-0, on April 7, 2022.

HB 435

STUDENT LOAN SUBSIDY EXPANSION (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands a taxpayer-funded subsidy scheme for STEM teachers that would pay for up to \$7500 in additional student loan repayments for those who teach in so-called “hard-to-staff” or failing schools. This is a 50 percent increase from similar legislation passed in 2021 at the exact moment that the Biden administration was pushing an unconstitutional student loan forgiveness. Federal student loan debt currently stands at an astounding \$1.8 trillion. Policies that recklessly utilize state tax dollars to pay for taxpayer-funded student loans exacerbate our debt crisis and force Alabamans into endless tax-and-spend cycles. The Alabama House passed the bill, 98-0, on March 31, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 27-0, on April 7, 2022.

SB 38

ABOLISHING STATE AUDITOR (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill proposes an amendment to the Alabama constitution to merge the office of State Auditor into the office of State Treasurer.

Reducing wasteful bureaucracies is important, however, abolishing the auditor’s office in a state notorious for its opaque budget process and profligate spending is contrary to good governance. The auditor is key for both transparency and spending accountability within the state government and should have its oversight powers increased. The Alabama House failed to pass the bill, 46-36, on April 7, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 32-1, on March 30, 2022.

SB 106

GENERAL FUND BUDGET BINGE (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill allocates \$2.7 billion in spending for the State General Fund. This is an 8.9 percent increase from last year’s budget and once again makes this the largest general fund budget in Alabama’s history. The legislation includes a 4 percent across-the-board pay raise for state employees and includes increased Medicaid funding. In an environment marked by skyrocketing inflation and high costs due to profligate spending, this bill foists yet another undue burden on hardworking Alabama

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taxpayers. The Alabama House passed the bill, 101-0, on March 15, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 29-1, on February 24, 2022.

SB 110

MERITLESS GOVERNMENT WORKER RAISE (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill provides a 4 percent across-the-board salary increase for all state government employees. This includes both classified and unclassified employees who may or may not be subject to the State Merit System. This is double the pay increase from the previous year. In an environment marked by skyrocketing inflation and high costs due to profligate spending, this bill foists yet another undue burden on hardworking Alabama taxpayers. The Alabama House passed the bill, 100-0, on March 15, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 26-0, on February 24, 2022.

SB 150

GIG WORKER PROTECTIONS (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill carves out protections for so-called “gig economy” workers—specifically drivers operating under various ride-sharing services.

The legislation prescribes a set of criteria that ensures ridesharing contract drivers will not be considered employees of companies like Uber and Lyft. Among the criteria is a signed agreement stating a driver is not an employee, has no prescribed work hours, has the ability to work for other employers, and bears the brunt of most operating expenses. This legislation is an important deregulatory effort that will help gig economy jobs to flourish and provide workers with greater flexibility to earn a living. The Alabama House passed the bill, 101-0, on March 15, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 27-0, on February 15, 2022.

SB 167

LICENSING COMPACT FOR OCCUPATIONAL THERAPY (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill adopts an interstate compact for licensing occupational therapy. Specifically, the legislation ensures reciprocity between Alabama and member states so that licensed occupational therapists in member states are recognized to practice in Alabama and vice-versa. While licensing schemes too often

create barriers to entry, decrease competition, and increase costs, reciprocity ensures that professionals are not punished with additional regulatory burdens for practicing their craft in a different state. The Alabama House passed the bill, 101-0, on February 24, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 27-0, on February 15, 2022.

SB 224

MODEST UNEMPLOYMENT REFORM (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements reforms in the state’s unemployment insurance program. Specifically, the legislation requires those receiving UI benefits to engage in work search at least three times per week to continue receiving the benefits instead of the previous baseline of just once per week. The bill helps move people out of unemployment and back into the workforce. The Alabama House passed the bill, 76-24, on April 6, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 23-0, on March 17, 2022.

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SB 261

SCHOOL CHOICE EXPANSION

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill increases the contribution limitations for Alabama's preexisting tax credit scholarship program. Specifically, the legislation raises the contribution cap to 100 percent of an individual's income tax liability with a ceiling set at \$100,000 over the previous 50 percent cap set at \$50,000. The total amount of the credit is \$30 million. The funds are used to help parents offset the costs of transferring a student out of a failing K-12 government school to a non-failing government or private school of the parent's choice. The Alabama House passed the bill, 101-0, on April 5, 2022. The Alabama Senate passed it, 23-2, on March 15, 2022.

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