

2021

# North Dakota State Legislative Scorecard

See how Members of North Dakota's General Assembly are voting on economic growth issues.

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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 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.

# Methodology | North Dakota 2021

Club for Growth Foundation publishes the scorecard study so the public can monitor the actions and the voting behavior of North Dakota'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 NORTH DAKOTA IN 2021

The Foundation's study examined over 1,800 floor votes and, in the end, included 16 North Dakota House votes and 15 North Dakota 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 #94 in the House and #47 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 2021 and all previous years where the lawmaker earned a score.

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

#### **ADDITIONAL FACTORS**

A study of roll call votes on the floor of the North Dakota House and North Dakota 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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## North Dakota Senate Snapshot

#### **40 Republicans**

7 Democrats

**O** Vacancies

Average Republican Score: 49%

Average Democrat Score: 16%



HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICAN Senator Oley Larsen (SD-3) | 85%



LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Senator Donald Schaible (SD-31) | 20%



HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT Senator Richard Marcellais (SD-9) | 32%



LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRAT Senator Erin Oban (SD-35) | 5% ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

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Name	District	Party	Score	Life- score	HB1166	HB1175	HB1281	HB1288	HB1335	HB1386	HB1452	HB1464	HCR3040	SB2010	SB2130	SB2222	SB2272	SB2291	SCR4016	Rank
PRO-GROWTH POSITION					Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	
POINTS					3	8	5	7	5	12	6	9	11	5	5	11	6	4	3	
Anderson, Howard	SD-08	R	32%	32%	-	8	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	34
Bakke, JoNell	SD-43	D	21%	21%	-	8	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	х	5	-	-	х	-	41
Bekkedahl, Brad	SD-01	R	36%	36%	-	8	-	-	5	-	-	-	х	-	5	11	-	-	3	27
Burckhard, Randy	SD-05	R	60%	60%	3	8	5	-	5	-	-	9	11	-	5	11	-	-	3	13
Clemens, David	SD-16	R	69%	69%	-	8	5	-	5	12	-	9	11	-	5	11	-	-	3	5
Conley, Cole	SD-12	R	52%	52%	-	8	-	-	5	-	-	9	11	-	5	11	-	-	3	17
Davison, Kyle	SD-41	R	33%	33%	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	5	11	-	-	-	32
Dever, Dick	SD-32	R	46%	46%	-	8	5	-	5	-	-	9	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	20
Dwyer, Mike	SD-47	R	37%	37%	-	8	5	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	26
Elkin, Jay	SD-36	R	69%	69%	-	8	-	-	5	12	-	9	11	5	5	11	-	-	3	5
Erbele, Robert	SD-28	R	64%	64%	-	8	-	-	5	12	-	9	11	-	5	11	-	-	3	12
Fors, Robert	SD-19	R	54%	54%	-	8	-	-	5	-	-	9	11	5	5	11	-	-	-	15
Heckaman, Joan	SD-23	D	9%	9%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	4	-	46
Heitkamp, Jason	SD-26	R	73%	73%	-	-	5	7	5	12	-	9	11	5	5	11	-	-	3	4
Hogan, Kathy	SD-21	D	15%	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	5	-	-	4	-	43
Hogue, David	SD-38	R	46%	46%	-	8	5	-	5	-	-	9	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	20
Holmberg, Ray	SD-17	R	36%	36%	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	27
Kannianen, Jordan	SD-04	R	74%	74%	-	8	5	-	5	12	-	9	11	5	5	11	-	-	3	2
Klein, Jerry	SD-14	R	52%	52%	-	8	-	-	5	-	-	9	11	-	5	11	-	-	3	17
Krebsbach, Karen	SD-40	R	38%	38%	-	8	5	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	5	11	-	-	-	25

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POINTS					3	8	5	7	5	12	6	9	11	5	5	11	6	4	3	
Kreun, Curtiss	SD-42	R	27%	27%	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	39
Larsen, Doug	SD-34	R	74%	74%	-	8	5	-	5	12	-	9	11	5	5	11	-	-	3	2
Larsen, Oley	SD-03	R	85%	85%	3	8	5	7	5	12	6	9	11	5	-	11	-	-	3	1
Larson, Diane	SD-30	R	41%	41%	-	8	5	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	22
Lee, Judy	SD-13	R	33%	33%	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	5	11	-	-	-	32
Lemm, Randy	SD-20	R	69%	69%	-	8	-	-	5	12	-	9	11	5	5	11	-	-	3	5
Luick, Larry	SD-25	R	55%	55%	-	8	-	-	5	12	-	-	11	-	5	11	-	-	3	14
Marcellais, Richard	SD-09	D	32%	32%	-	-	-	-	-	12	6	9	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	34
Mathern, Tim	SD-11	D	15%	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	5	-	-	4	-	43
Meyer, Scott	SD-18	R	69%	69%	-	8	5	-	5	12	-	9	11	-	5	11	-	-	3	5
Myrdal, Janne	SD-10	R	69%	69%	-	8	5	-	5	12	-	9	11	-	5	11	-	-	3	5
Oban, Erin	SD-35	D	5%	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	47
Oehlke, Dave	SD-15	R	36%	36%	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	27
Patten, Dale	SD-39	R	53%	53%	-	8	-	-	5	12	-	9	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	16
Piepkorn, Merrill	SD-44	D	15%	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	5	-	-	4	-	43
Poolman, Nicole	SD-07	R	36%	36%	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	27
Roers, Jim	SD-46	R	32%	32%	-	8	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	34
Roers, Kristin	SD-27	R	24%	24%	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	11	-	-	-	40
Rust, David	SD-02	R	41%	41%	-	8	-	-	5	-	-	9	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	22
Schaible, Donald	SD-31	R	20%	20%	-	8	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	5	х	-	-	-	42

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Sorvaag, Ronald	SD-45	R	36%	36%	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	27
Unruh-Bell, Jessica	SD-33	R	30%	30%	-	8	-	-	-	-	-	x	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	38
Vedaa, Shawn	SD-06	R	52%	52%	-	8	-	-	5	-	-	9	11	-	5	11	-	-	3	17
Wanzek, Terry	SD-29	R	66%	66%	-	8	5	-	5	12	-	X	11	-	5	11	-	-	3	10
Wardner, Rich	SD-37	R	41%	41%	-	8	-	-	5	-	-	9	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	22
Weber, Mark	SD-22	R	32%	32%	-	8	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	5	11	-	-	3	34
Wobbema, Mike	SD-24	R	65%	65%	-	8	5	-	5	12	-	-	11	5	5	11	-	-	3	11

#### HB 1166

#### OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING RECIPROCITY (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill authorizes various licensure boards for teachers, accountants, electricians, real estate, dental examiners, and general contractors to allow foreign practitioners a temporary permit on a case-by-case basis to operate in the state of North Dakota. Occupational licensing schemes increase barriers to entry, decrease competition, and increase costs. Allowing increased licensure reciprocity is a step in the right direction. The North Dakota Senate rejected the final version of the bill, 2-45, on March 30th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed it, 81-11, on February 17th, 2021.

#### HB 1175

### COVID-19 LIABILITY PROTECTION (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill protects North Dakota premises owners, healthcare providers, and healthcare facilities from civil liability in frivolous COVID-19 lawsuits, unless there is actual malice or an intent to harm. This bill protects them against frivolous COVID-19-related lawsuits. This liability protection is critical for ensuring that individuals and healthcare providers that follow health code guidance can continue to operate, grow, and contribute to the economy without fear of reprisal from those seeking to profit off the pain inflicted by government mandates and the COVID-19 virus. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 40-7, on April 15th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed it, 79-15, on April 13th, 2021.

### HB 1281

#### SCHOOL CHOICE TAX CREDIT (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill establishes a \$500 tax credit for families that choose non-public education for their children. The North Dakota House passed the House Version, 50-44, on February 23rd, 2021. The North Dakota Senate rejected the final version of the bill, 15-32, on March 22nd, 2021.

#### HB 1288

#### MEDICAID COVERAGE EXPANSION (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill requires that Medicaid cover the costs of continuous blood glucose monitoring devices for eligible patients. Medicaid is an ineffective program that is rife with fraud and is bankrupting state budgets. The legislature should be working to decrease the size of the Medicaid program, not expand it. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the ABOUT THE FOUNDATION

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bill, 45-2, on April 7th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed the House Version, 89-3, on April 16th, 2021.

#### HB 1335

#### PROMOTING FEDERALISM (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill places into state law that public officials and state employees cannot be forced to carry out or comply with an executive order of the President of the United States, a regulation of a federal agency or department, or a federal statute, which infringes on powers reserved to the states. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 29-18, on March 30th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 81-13, on February 24th, 2021.

#### HB 1386

#### PROHIBITION ON BUSINESS SHUTDOWNS (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill prohibits government officials from using emergency powers to close businesses or restrict their operations, even during emergency declarations. Businesses should have the freedom to make their own decisions about business operations, such as whether to be open or closed. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 54-39, on February 12th, 2021. The North Dakota Senate rejected the final version of the bill, 15-32, on March 31st, 2021.

#### HB 1452

#### NEW TAXPAYER-FUNDED SUBSIDY (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill creates a new \$25 million-dollar longterm state-subsidy program for ambiguously named "clean sustainable energy." This may include subsidizing green energy or subsidizing old technologies that the market and producers themselves are phasing out. The government should not be picking winners and losers by subsidizing specific industries. Instead, the government should be cutting taxes and regulations for all businesses and individuals to encourage economic growth. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 76-12, on April 16th, 2021. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 41-6, on April 13th, 2021.

#### HB 1464 TAX INCREASES (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill increases the state gas tax from 23 to 26 cents/gallon and increases the road use fees for electric and hybrid vehicles, as well as electric motorcycles. Instead of raising taxes on hard working taxpayers, the government should be cutting taxes and eliminating wasteful government spending. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 62-32, on February 22nd, 2021. The North Dakota Senate rejected the final version of the bill, 16-29, on March 26th, 2021.

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#### **SB 2010**

#### INCREASING GOVERNMENT SPENDING (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill unnecessarily increases government spending by allotting \$1.6 billion of taxpayer funding to the Council on the Arts, a government agency whose mission is to strengthen the creative capacity of North Dakota. Strengthening artistic capacity is not a core function of government, and taxpayer funds should not be diverted to this unnecessary program. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 62-32, on April 27th, 2021. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 38-8, on April 26th, 2021.

#### SB 2130

#### COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS REQUIREMENT (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill requires that if a legislative measure mandates health insurance coverage of certain services or payment for specified service providers, then the measure must have a cost-benefit analysis appended to it. Cost-benefit analyses help make government spending more transparent and help reduce wasteful government spending The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 46-1, on April 16th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 91-0, on April 16th, 2021.

#### SB 2272 TRADE INDUSTRY STUDENT LOAN FORGIVENESS AND SCHOLARSHIP (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill amends and reenacts a skilled workforce student loan forgiveness program for those who take on high-demand work in the state of North Dakota as well as a skilled workforce scholarship program. Individuals who voluntarily take out student loans to fund their schooling should bear the burden of repaying those loans, instead of transferring the responsibility for repayment to all taxpayers. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 47-0, on April 19th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 70-22, on April 20th, 2021.

#### SB 2291

#### PROHIBITING THE USE OF STATE FUNDS FOR ESG

#### (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill prohibits the state board of investment from investing state funds for the purpose of social investment. The legislation also requires the performance of a study to look at the impact to the state from complete divestment of companies that boycott energy or commodities. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 42-4, on February 17th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 82-12, on March 17th, 2021.

#### HCR 3040

#### REQUIRING VOTE OF THE LEGISLATURE FOR TAX INCREASES (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This resolution would place a constitutional amendment on the 2022 ballot asking citizens to require that any tax increases or new taxes be approved by 2/3rd majorities in both chambers for the legislature. The North Dakota House passed

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the final version, 55-34, on March 9th, 2021. The North Dakota Senate rejected the final version of the bill, 18-28, on April 1st, 2021.

#### **SB 2222**

#### OBAMACARE AND MEDICAID EXPANSION EXTENSION

#### (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill eliminates the sunset date on Medicaid Expansion, thereby continuing Medicaid Expansion indefinitely. Medicaid is an ineffective program that is rife with fraud and is bankrupting state budgets. The legislature should be working to decrease the size of the Medicaid program, not expand it. The North Dakota Senate rejected the final version of the bill, 7-39, on January 29th, 2021.

#### SCR 4016

#### RESOLUTION: OPPOSING VACCINE PASSPORTS

#### (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This non-binding resolution urges the U.S. Congress to oppose all efforts to create vaccine passports and from enacting any law that would restrict an individual's right to travel or participate in commerce, religious freedom, and education based on whether the individual has received a COVID-19 vaccine. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the resolution, 34-13, on April 15th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed the final version by voice vote, on April 16th, 2021.

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**80 Republicans** 

**14 Democrats** 

**O** Vacancies

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Average Republican Score: 63%

Average Democrat Score: 20%



**94 MEMBERS** 

HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICAN Rep. Larry Bellew (HD-38) | 96%



LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Rep. George Keiser (HD-47) | 22%



HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT Rep. Tracy Boe (HD-9) | 54%



LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRATS Rep. Mary Adams (HD-43) | 9% Rep. Karla Hanson (HD-44) | 9%

Rep. Zachary Ista (HD-43) | 9%

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POINTS					3	7	10	5	6	5	9	9	6	8	10	2	5	5	6	4	
Adams, Mary	HD-43	D	9%	9%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	4	91
Anderson, Bert	HD-02	R	59%	59%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	-	-	-	10	2	x	5	-	-	50
Anderson, Dick	HD-06	R	69%	69%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	х	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	30
Anderson, Pamela	HD-41	D	12%	12%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	4	86
Becker, Rick	HD-07	R	90%	90%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	6	8	10	2	5	5	6	-	2
Bellew, Larry	HD-38	R	96%	96%	3	7	x	5	6	5	9	9	6	8	10	2	5	5	6	-	1
Beltz, Mike	HD-20	R	41%	41%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	69
Boe, Tracy	HD-09	D	54%	54%	-	7	-	-	-	5	9	9	6	-	х	2	-	5	6	-	55
Bosch, Glenn	HD-30	R	64%	64%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	-	-	8	10	2	-	5	-	-	44
Boschee, Joshua	HD-44	D	13%	13%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	-	-	-	-	5	-	4	85
Brandenburg, Michael	HD-28	R	72%	72%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	х	5	-	-	28
Buffalo, Ruth	HD-27	D	21%	21%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	5	6	4	84
Christensen, Cole	HD-24	R	89%	89%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	6	8	х	2	5	5	6	-	3
Cory, Claire	HD-42	R	78%	78%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	x	8	10	2	-	5	-	-	16
Damschen, Chuck	HD-10	R	46%	46%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	65
Delzer, Jeff	HD-08	R	73%	73%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	5	5	-	-	22
Devlin, Bill	HD-23	R	65%	65%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	38
Dobervich, Gretchen	HD-11	D	10%	10%	х	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	4	90
Dockter, Jason	HD-07	R	62%	62%	-	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	46
Ertelt, Sebastian	HD-26	R	81%	81%	3	-	10	5	6	5	9	9	6	-	10	2	5	5	6	-	13

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Fegley, Clayton	HD-04	R	55%	55%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	53
Fisher, Jay	HD-05	R	65%	65%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	38
Guggisberg, Ron	HD-11	D	12%	12%	-	-	-	-	х	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	х	х	-	4	86
Hager, Lauriebeth	HD-21	D	12%	12%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	4	86
Hagert, Jared	HD-20	R	31%	31%	3	7	-	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	80
Hanson, Karla	HD-44	D	9%	9%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	4	91
Hatlestad, Patrick	HD-01	R	50%	50%	3	7	-	-	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	61
Hauck, Dori	HD-36	R	n/a	n/a	I	7	I	I	-	I	I	I	6	I	I	I	-	5	6	-	
Headland, Craig	HD-29	R	60%	60%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	48
Heinert, Patrick	HD-32	R	64%	64%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	-	-	8	10	2	-	5	-	-	44
Hoverson, Jeff	HD-03	R	77%	77%	3	-	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	х	5	5	6	-	18
Howe, Michael	HD-22	R	46%	46%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	2	5	5	-	-	65
Ista, Zachary	HD-43	D	9%	9%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	4	91
Johnson, Dennis	HD-15	R	51%	51%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	58
Johnson, Mary	HD-45	R	34%	34%	3	7	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	10	2	-	5	х	-	77
Jones, Terry	HD-04	R	65%	65%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	38
Kading, Tom	HD-45	R	84%	84%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	6	8	10	2	5	5	-	-	5
Karls, Karen	HD-35	R	46%	46%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	65
Kasper, Jim	HD-46	R	73%	73%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	-	5	-	-	22
Keiser, George	HD-47	R	22%	22%	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	6	-	83

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Kempenich, Keith	HD-39	R	67%	67%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	9	х	-	10	2	Х	5	-	-	35
Kiefert, Dwight	HD-24	R	73%	73%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	-	5	-	-	22
Klemin, Lawrence	HD-47	R	26%	26%	3	7	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	82
Koppelman, Ben	HD-16	R	84%	84%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	5	5	6	-	5
Koppelman, Kim	HD-13	R	79%	79%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	-	5	6	-	14
Kreidt, Gary	HD-33	R	54%	54%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	х	-	8	-	2	-	5	-	-	55
Lefor, Mike	HD-37	R	69%	69%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	-	-	8	10	2	5	5	-	-	30
Longmuir, Donald	HD-02	R	41%	41%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	69
Louser, Scott	HD-05	R	83%	83%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	х	8	10	2	5	5	-	-	10
Magrum, Jeffery	HD-28	R	77%	77%	3	-	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	5	5	6	-	18
Marschall, Andrew	HD-16	R	78%	78%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	5	5	-	-	16
Martinson, Bob	HD-35	R	50%	50%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	9	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	61
Meier, Lisa	HD-32	R	73%	73%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	-	5	-	-	22
Mitskog, Alisa	HD-25	D	33%	33%	3	7	-	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	4	78
Mock, Corey	HD-18	D	38%	38%	3	7	-	-	-	5	9	9	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	76
Monson, David	HD-10	R	57%	57%	-	7	10	-	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	51
Nathe, Mike	HD-30	R	54%	54%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	-	-	8	-	2	-	5	-	-	55
Nehring, Dave	HD-08	R	61%	61%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	-	-	-	10	2	5	5	-	-	47
Nelson, Jon	HD-14	R	51%	51%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	58
Nelson, Marvin	HD-09	D	32%	32%	3	-	-	-	-	5	-	9	6	-	-	-	-	5	-	4	79

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POINTS					3	7	10	5	6	5	9	9	6	8	10	2	5	5	6	4	
O'Brien, Emily	HD-42	R	41%	41%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	69
Ostlie, Mitchell	HD-12	R	29%	29%	-	7	-	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	2	Х	5	-	-	81
Owens, Mark	HD-17	R	76%	76%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	х	2	5	5	-	-	20
Paulson, Bob	HD-03	R	84%	84%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	5	5	6	-	5
Paur, Gary	HD-19	R	85%	85%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	6	8	10	2	-	5	6	-	4
Pollert, Chet	HD-29	R	41%	41%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	69
Porter, Todd	HD-34	R	48%	48%	-	7	10	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	64
Pyle, Brandy	HD-22	R	46%	46%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	2	5	5	-	-	65
Richter, David	HD-01	R	65%	65%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	38
Roers Jones, Shannon	HD-46	R	41%	41%	3	7	10	5	-	-	9	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	69
Rohr, Karen	HD-31	R	79%	79%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	-	5	6	-	14
Ruby, Dan	HD-38	R	82%	82%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	6	-	10	2	5	5	6	-	12
Ruby, Matthew	HD-40	R	73%	73%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	-	х	2	5	5	6	-	22
Sanford, Mark	HD-17	R	50%	50%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	9	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	61
Satrom, Bernie	HD-12	R	69%	69%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	-	5	Х	-	30
Schatz, Mike	HD-36	R	83%	83%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	5	х	6	-	10
Schauer, Austen	HD-13	R	55%	55%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	53
Schmidt, Jim	HD-31	R	68%	68%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	-	5	-	-	33
Schneider, Mary	HD-21	D	12%	12%	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	4	86
Schobinger, Randy	HD-40	R	73%	73%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	-	5	-	-	22

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POINTS					3	7	10	5	6	5	9	9	6	8	10	2	5	5	6	4	
Schreiber-Beck, Cindy	HD-25	R	41%	41%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	69
Simons, Luke	HD-36	R	n/a	n/a	3	I	10	5	I	5	9	9	I	8	I	I	I	I	I	I	
Skroch, Kathy	HD-26	R	84%	84%	х	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	5	5	6	-	5
Steiner, Vicky	HD-37	R	76%	76%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	5	5	6	-	20
Stemen, Greg	HD-27	R	51%	51%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	58
Strinden, Michelle	HD-41	R	56%	56%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	-	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	52
Thomas, Paul	HD-06	R	65%	65%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	5	5	-	-	38
Toman, Nathan	HD-34	R	84%	84%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	5	5	6	-	5
Trottier, Wayne	HD-19	R	67%	67%	3	7	10	5	х	5	9	-	х	-	10	2	5	х	-	-	35
Tveit, Bill	HD-33	R	65%	65%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	38
Vetter, Steve	HD-18	R	67%	67%	3	7	-	5	6	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	-	5	6	-	35
Vigesaa, Donald	HD-23	R	68%	68%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	9	-	8	10	2	-	5	-	-	33
Weisz, Robin	HD-14	R	70%	70%	3	7	10	5	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	5	5	-	-	29
Westlind, Greg	HD-15	R	60%	60%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	9	-	-	10	2	-	5	-	-	48
Zubke, Denton	HD-39	R	41%	41%	3	7	10	-	-	5	9	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	-	69

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#### HB 1166

#### OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING RECIPROCITY (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill authorizes various licensure boards for teachers, accountants, electricians, real estate, dental examiners, and general contractors to allow foreign practitioners a temporary permit on a case-by-case basis to operate in the state of North Dakota. Occupational licensing schemes increase barriers to entry, decrease competition, and increase costs. Allowing increased licensure reciprocity is a step in the right direction. The North Dakota Senate rejected the final version of the bill, 2-45, on March 30th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed it, 81-11, on February 17th, 2021.

#### HB 1175

### COVID-19 LIABILITY PROTECTION (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill protects North Dakota premises owners, healthcare providers, and healthcare facilities from civil liability in frivolous COVID-19 lawsuits, unless there is actual malice or an intent to harm. This bill protects them against frivolous COVID-19-related lawsuits. This liability protection is critical for ensuring that individuals and healthcare providers that follow health code guidance can continue to operate, grow, and contribute to the economy without fear of reprisal from those seeking to profit off the pain inflicted by government mandates and the COVID-19 virus. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 40-7, on April 15th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed it, 79-15, on April 13th, 2021.

#### HB 1203 PRESERVING OBAMACARE AND MEDICAID EXPANSION (CFGF OPPOSES)

This Republican-sponsored trigger bill places, in North Dakota law, language that mimics Obamacare (Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act) contingent upon the overturning of the federal law in the court system, and makes permanent previous expansions of the Medicaid system. Medicaid is an ineffective program that is rife with fraud and is bankrupting state budgets. The legislature should be working to decrease the size of the Medicaid program, not expand it. The North Dakota House rejected this bill, 20-72, on February 17th, 2021.

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#### HB 1281

#### SCHOOL CHOICE TAX CREDIT (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill establishes a \$500 tax credit for families that choose non-public education for their children. The North Dakota House passed the House Version, 50-44, on February 23rd, 2021. The North Dakota Senate rejected the final version of the bill, 15-32, on March 22nd, 2021.

#### HB 1288 MEDICAID COVERAGE EXPANSION (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill requires that Medicaid cover the costs of continuous blood glucose monitoring devices for eligible patients. Medicaid is an ineffective program that is rife with fraud and is bankrupting state budgets. The legislature should be working to decrease the size of the Medicaid program, not expand it. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 45-2, on April 7th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed the House Version, 89-3, on April 16th, 2021.

#### HB 1335

#### PROMOTING FEDERALISM (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill places into state law that public officials and state employees cannot be forced to carry out or comply with an executive order of the President of the United States, a regulation of a federal agency or department, or a federal statute, which infringes on powers reserved to the states. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 29-18, on March 30th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 81-13, on February 24th, 2021.

#### HB 1341

#### STATE MINIMUM WAGE (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill would increase the state minimum wage to \$15/hr over 6 years in \$1 annual incremental increases. Despite state and federal initiatives to increase the minimum wage, evidence repeatedly shows that such policies only increase unemployment and eliminate entry-level jobs from the market. America is facing a labor shortage and there are more jobs available than unemployed Americans. Minimum wage policies only serve to exacerbate existing problems. The North Dakota House rejected the final version, 12-82, on February 16th, 2021.

#### HB 1386

### PROHIBITION ON BUSINESS SHUTDOWNS (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill prohibits government officials from using emergency powers to close businesses or restrict their operations, even during emergency declarations. Businesses should have the freedom to make their own decisions about business operations, such as whether to be open or closed. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 54-39, on February 12th, 2021. The North Dakota Senate rejected the final version of the bill, 15-32, on March 31st, 2021.

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#### HB 1452 NEW TAXPAYER-FUNDED SUBSIDY (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill creates a new \$25 million-dollar longterm state-subsidy program for ambiguously named "clean sustainable energy." This may include subsidizing green energy or subsidizing old technologies that the market and producers themselves are phasing out. The government should not be picking winners and losers by subsidizing specific industries. Instead, the government should be cutting taxes and regulations for all businesses and individuals to encourage economic growth. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 76-12, on April 16th, 2021. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 41-6, on April 13th, 2021.

#### HB 1464 TAX INCREASES (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill increases the state gas tax from 23 to 26 cents/gallon and increases the road use fees for electric and hybrid vehicles, as well as

electric motorcycles. Instead of raising taxes on hard working taxpayers, the government should be cutting taxes and eliminating wasteful government spending. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 62-32, on February 22nd, 2021. The North Dakota Senate rejected the final version of the bill, 16-29, on March 26th, 2021.

#### SB 2010

#### INCREASING GOVERNMENT SPENDING (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill unnecessarily increases government spending by allotting \$1.6 billion of taxpayer funding to the Council on the Arts, a government agency whose mission is to strengthen the creative capacity of North Dakota. Strengthening artistic capacity is not a core function of government, and taxpayer funds should not be diverted to this unnecessary program. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 62-32, on April 27th, 2021. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 38-8, on April 26th, 2021.

#### SB 2130

#### COST-BENEFIT ANALYSIS REQUIREMENT (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill requires that if a legislative measure mandates health insurance coverage of certain services or payment for specified service providers, then the measure must have a costbenefit analysis appended to it. Cost-benefit analyses help make government spending more transparent and help reduce wasteful government spending The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 46-1, on April 16th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 91-0, on April 16th, 2021.

#### SB 2272

#### TRADE INDUSTRY STUDENT LOAN FORGIVENESS AND SCHOLARSHIP (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill amends and reenacts a skilled workforce student loan forgiveness program for those who take on high-demand work in the state of North Dakota as well as a skilled workforce scholarship program. Individuals who voluntarily take out

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student loans to fund their schooling should bear the burden of repaying those loans, instead of transferring the responsibility for repayment to all taxpayers. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 47-0, on April 19th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 70-22, on April 20th, 2021.

#### SB 2291

#### PROHIBITING THE USE OF STATE FUNDS FOR ESG

#### (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill prohibits the state board of investment from investing state funds for the purpose of social investment. The legislation also requires the performance of a study to look at the impact to the state from complete divestment of companies that boycott energy or commodities. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the bill, 42-4, on February 17th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 82-12, on March 17th, 2021.

#### HCR 3040

#### REQUIRING 2/3 VOTE OF THE LEGISLATURE FOR TAX INCREASES (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This resolution would place a constitutional amendment on the 2022 ballot asking citizens to require that any tax increases or new taxes be approved by 2/3rd majorities in both chambers for the legislature. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 55-34, on March 9th, 2021. The North Dakota Senate rejected the final version of the bill, 18-28, on April 1st, 2021.

#### HCR 3047 RESOLUTION: OPPOSE HR 1 (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This non-binding resolution urges congress to oppose the For the People Act, HR 1, which allows the federal government to interfere with the rights of states to conduct free and fair elections. The North Dakota Senate passed the final version of the resolution by voice vote, on March 30th, 2021. The North Dakota House passed the final version, 79-13, on March 12th, 2021. ABOUT THE

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