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Indiana State Economic Scorecard

See how Members of Indiana'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
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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 Indiana’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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LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED IN INDIANA IN 2024

The Foundation’s study examined over 600 floor votes and, in the end, included 13 Indiana House votes and 13 Indiana 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 #100 in the House and #50 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 2024 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 Indiana House and Indiana 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,
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50 MEMBERS

40 Republicans

10 Democrats

0 Vacancies

Average Republican Score: 42%

Average Democrat Score: 22%

HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICAN SENATOR

Tyler Johnson (SD-14) | 74%

LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICAN SENATOR

Rick Niemeyer (SD-6) | 32%

HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT SENATOR

Lonnie Randolph (SD-2) | 40%

LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRAT SENATOR

David Niezgodski (SD-10) | 16%

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PRO-GROWTH POSITION					Y	Y	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	
POINTS					5	5	10	2	10	10	6	8	8	10	10	8	8	
Alexander, Scott	SD-26	R	44%	51%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	10	-	-	8	10
Alting, Ron	SD-22	R	n/a	37%	X	X	-	2	-	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	8	
Baldwin, Scott	SD-20	R	34%	37%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Bassler, Eric	SD-39	R	40%	42%	5	5	X	-	-	-	X	8	8	-	-	-	8	16
Becker, Vaneta	SD-50	R	41%	39%	-	5	-	2	-	10	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	15
Bohacek, Mike	SD-08	R	44%	35%	5	5	-	-	10	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	10
Bray, Rodric	SD-37	R	34%	37%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Breaux, Jean	SD-34	D	n/a	31%	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Brown, Liz	SD-15	R	36%	45%	5	5	-	2	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	19
Buchanan, Brian	SD-07	R	44%	42%	5	5	-	-	-	10	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	10
Buck, James	SD-21	R	44%	43%	5	5	-	-	10	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	10
Busch, Justin	SD-16	R	46%	45%	5	5	-	2	10	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	8
Byrne, Gary	SD-47	R	70%	61%	5	5	10	-	10	-	6	8	8	10	-	-	8	2
Carrasco, Cyndi	SD-36	R	34%	34%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Charbonneau, Ed	SD-05	R	34%	37%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Crane, John	SD-24	R	54%	59%	5	5	10	-	-	-	-	8	8	10	-	-	8	6
Crider, Michael	SD-28	R	34%	40%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Deery, Spencer	SD-23	R	34%	37%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Dernulc, Dan	SD-01	R	34%	39%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Donato, Stacey	SD-18	R	34%	46%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Doriot, Blake	SD-12	R	34%	41%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25

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Ford, J.D.	SD-29	D	28%	30%	-	-	-	2	-	10	-	8	8	-	-	-	-	41
Freeman, Aaron	SD-32	R	64%	57%	5	5	10	-	10	10	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	4
Garten, Chris	SD-45	R	34%	43%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Gaskill, Mike	SD-25	R	42%	58%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	8	8	14
Glick, Susan	SD-13	R	34%	37%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Goode, Greg	SD-38	R	34%	34%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Holdman, Travis	SD-19	R	36%	38%	5	5	-	2	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	19
Hunley, Andrea	SD-46	D	18%	24%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	-	43
Johnson, Tyler	SD-14	R	74%	71%	5	5	10	-	10	10	-	8	8	10	-	-	8	1
Koch, Eric	SD-44	R	54%	47%	5	5	10	-	-	-	-	8	8	10	-	-	8	6
Leising, Jean	SD-42	R	36%	48%	5	5	-	2	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	19
Maxwell, Randy	SD-43	R	34%	34%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Messmer, Mark	SD-48	R	36%	37%	5	5	-	2	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	19
Mishler, Ryan	SD-09	R	36%	40%	5	5	-	2	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	19
Niemeyer, Rick	SD-06	R	32%	49%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	X	8	-	X	-	8	40
Niezgodski, David	SD-10	D	16%	21%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	-	48
Pol, Rodney	SD-04	D	18%	24%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	-	43
Qaddoura, Fady	SD-30	D	18%	30%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	-	43
Raatz, Jeff	SD-27	R	38%	47%	5	5	-	-	-	X	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	18
Randolph, Lonnie	SD-02	D	40%	30%	-	-	-	2	-	X	-	8	8	-	10	-	8	16
Rogers, Linda	SD-11	R	34%	38%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Taylor, Greg	SD-33	D	18%	27%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	-	43

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POINTS					5	5	10	2	10	10	6	8	8	10	10	8	8	
Tomes, James	SD-49	R	46%	50%	5	5	-	2	-	10	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	8
Vinzant, David	SD-03	D	18%	18%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	-	43
Walker, Greg	SD-41	R	34%	46%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	25
Walker, Kyle	SD-31	R	36%	39%	5	5	-	2	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	8	19
Yoder, Shelli	SD-40	D	22%	31%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	X	8	-	10	-	-	42
Young, R. Michael	SD-35	R	64%	63%	5	5	10	-	10	-	-	8	8	10	-	-	8	4
Zay, Andy	SD-17	R	67%	60%	5	5	10	-	-	X	6	8	8	10	-	-	8	3

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HB 1001

MINOR EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP EXPANSION

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements a modest expansion of the state’s Education Scholarship Account. Specifically, the legislation authorizes eligibility for siblings of students with disabilities enrolled in the program. While the program remains capped at \$10 million annually, the expansion provides parents in eligible households with additional options that allow their children to attend a school of their choice. Lawmakers should continue to advance policies that empower parents instead of teachers’ unions and failing government schools. The Indiana House passed the bill, 80-17, on January 23, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 38-10, on March 5, 2024.

HB 1093

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT DEREGULATION

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill makes changes regarding youth employment. Specifically, the legislation

allows for the employment of minors in various entertainment and sports industry roles, implements exemptions for both time and hour restrictions for minors between 14 and 18 years old, eliminates restrictions on summer jobs for minors, and opens up employment opportunities for kids between 16 and 18 years of age in the agriculture industry. As hardworking families face persistent inflation and increased costs, providing new opportunities to supplement income is an important pro-growth and pro-family policy that will help offset the failed tax-and-spend policies of the government. The Indiana House passed the bill, 62-31, on March 6, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 39-9, on March 5, 2024.

HB 1121

NUMEROUS LOCAL TAX INCREASES

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill implements numerous local tax changes across Indiana. Specifically, the legislation authorizes a new 1 percent food and beverage tax in both Hammond and Cicero for the next 23 years. Estimates suggest a \$2.7 million total tax

increase on residents in both cities over just the next three years to fund transit and recreational projects. Additionally, the bill authorizes a 33 percent increase in the Knox County tourism tax and repurposes revenue from an existing and specific local income tax in Perry County for new capital improvement projects. Lawmakers should not facilitate additional local tax burdens on hardworking families for special interest projects during a time of persistent inflation. The Indiana House passed the bill, 81-13, on March 8, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 41-7, on March 4, 2024.

HB 1135

IMPROPER COSMETOLOGY LICENSING APPROACH

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill implements licensing reciprocity for cosmetologists. Specifically, the legislation provides licensing reciprocity in Indiana for anyone who completes a federal Department of Labor registered cosmetology apprenticeship program. While well-intentioned, this approach

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ties licensing to federal departments and the regulatory infrastructure of Washington D.C. In general, licensing reciprocity is important for removing barriers to entry in professions typically occupied by low-income populations, however, lawmakers should refrain from empowering federal bureaucracies to regulate common occupations in a one-size-fits-all approach. The Indiana House passed the bill, 66-27, on March 5, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 31-18, on February 29, 2024.

HB 1199

EXPANDED CRONY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands the scope of economic enhancement districts (EEDs). Specifically, the legislation increases the allowable size of an EED to extend beyond a mile square, but less than two mile square. Further, the bill provides specific tax exemptions for multi-family housing units and implements a tax increase cap equal to \$5.5 million per year for each EED. Lastly, the bill increases the size of an EED's board and grants the Governor additional influence

on board composition. Over the past few years, Indiana utilized federal ARPA funds to subsidize well-connected business interests to implement pilot EED programs. Instead of imposing long-term tax increases to benefit special interests in the absence of "free" federal money, lawmakers should instead focus on improving the tax and regulatory climate to attract business investment in downtowns. The Indiana House passed the bill, 89-4, on March 7, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 42-7, on February 29, 2024.

HB 1278

EXPANDED GREEN ENERGY FOOTPRINT

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands costly and unreliable green energy initiatives in Indiana. Specifically, the bill authorizes the Office of Energy Development (OED) to establish a new taxpayer-backed revolving loan program for energy efficiency and empowers energy development centers to approve subsidized solar and wind projects more quickly. While the bill does repeal statutory authorization for a defunct alternative energy incentive fund, the fund has no appropriated money and therefore saves taxpayers no money.

Solar and wind energy are heavily subsidized, lack the dispatch and storage capability of energy sources like coal, and ultimately threaten the stability of the grid in service to a radical climate dogma. The Indiana House passed the bill, 84-4, on March 5, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 40-6, on February 29, 2024.

SB 2

SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE EXPANSION

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands taxpayer-backed child care benefits. Specifically, the legislation extends federal Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) subsidies to households at 85 percent of Indiana's median income which also contains an individual employed as a child care worker. Additionally, the legislation expands taxpayer-funded pre-K subsidies to these households as well. While it is unclear how much money will be appropriated to support this expansion, subsidized child care under the CCDF is equivalent to more than \$12,000 per child annually with subsidized pre-K statutorily capped at \$6,800 per child annually. Lawmakers should look for innovative market solutions to lower costs and improve

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access to child care instead of further burdening hardworking Indianans by entrenching federal welfare programs. The Indiana House passed the bill, 98-1, on March 4, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 45-2, on March 6, 2024.

SB 4

MODEST BUDGET AND REGULATORY REFORMS

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements numerous budget and regulatory changes. Specifically, the legislation reverts unused spending in dedicated funds to the state General Fund if they have not been used in the past two years, requires every agency to engage in a cost-benefit analysis of proposed rules and regulations that exceed \$1 million, requires costly regulations to undergo review by the Budget Committee before implementation, and expedites the ability of agencies to eliminate or lower fees. These reforms reorient spending and regulatory processes to be friendlier to taxpayers and workers. The Indiana House passed the bill, 68-25, on March 8, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 46-0, on the same day.

SB 180

CENTRAL BANK DIGITAL CURRENCY PROHIBITION

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill prohibits using a prospective central bank digital currency (CBDC). Specifically, the legislation prohibits a digital currency issued by the Federal Reserve or other related entity from being recognized, used, or issued as currency in Indiana. Further, the bill prohibits state agencies from accepting or requiring payments using CBDC mechanisms. This is an important protection for families, workers, and consumers as a central digital currency would, in effect, give the federal government control over every citizen's bank account in a massive reorganization of the relationship between citizens and government. The Indiana House passed the bill, 83-11, on February 27, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 48-0, on February 6, 2024.

SB 238

COUNTY TOURISM TAX INCREASES

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill implements several tax increases in three

counties. Specifically, the legislation authorizes Jefferson, Elkhart, and Knox County to impose innkeeper tax increases ranging from 33 percent to 60 percent higher than existing levels. Further, the bill provides for these elevated tax rates to continue through 2045. Estimates suggest that the total tax increase in these three counties will be more than \$5 million through FY2026 alone. Such proposals ultimately harm long-term economic growth, negatively impact surrounding businesses, and serve as additional revenue-grab schemes for local officials to benefit special interests. The Indiana House passed the bill, 75-21, on March 7, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 41-7, on March 8, 2024.

SB 256

PERMANENT CRONYISM INFRASTRUCTURE

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill empowers the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) to permanently facilitate sweetheart deals. Specifically, the legislation eliminates the sunset on the innovation development district program. This program allows the IEDC to designate specific geographic locations to

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become innovation districts that capture incremental sales, income, and property taxes to reward well-connected entities with taxpayer-backed resources under the guise of economic development. Additionally, if the proposed project is more than \$2 billion, the IEDC does not have to consult with local officials to create an innovation district. This type of unfettered and unaccountable cronyism rewards special interests at the expense of hardworking families and households. The Indiana House passed the bill, 57-39, on March 8, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 45-2, on the same day.

SB 273

NEW MEDICAID AND INSURER COVERAGE MANDATE

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill mandates that state health insurance plans and the Medicaid welfare program cover a new service. Specifically, the legislation mandates that specified insurance plans and Medicaid cover biomarker testing. Government coverage mandates since the passage of Obamacare have directly caused premiums

to double, and in some instances triple, significantly diminished access to care, and ravaged state budgets. Instead of barreling toward full socialized medicine with yet another incremental expansion of Medicaid and flawed insurance regulation, lawmakers should roll back these cost-driving mandates for approaches that remove bureaucratic barriers to care. The Indiana House passed the bill, 94-0, on February 27, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 47-1, on February 6, 2024.

SB 297

AGENCY REGULATORY REVIEW

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill requires state agencies to conduct regulatory analyses for proposed rules. Specifically, the legislation requires the Office of Management and Budget to notify the Legislative Council concerning regulations that will cost more than \$1 million over two years. Every rule estimated to have such a fiscal impact requires an affirmative vote from both chambers of the Indiana General Assembly before enactment. This common-sense reform not only empowers the legislature to stop

burdensome rules, but provides hardworking taxpayers with an additional layer of protection from prospective cost-driving, job-killing regulations. The Indiana Senate passed the bill, 41-8, on February 6, 2024. The Indiana House did not take it up.

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Indiana House Snapshot

100 MEMBERS

70 Republicans

30 Democrats

0 Vacancies

Average Republican Score: 38%

Average Democrat Score: 25%

HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICAN REPRESENTATIVES

Craig Haggard (HD-57) | 64%

Mike Speedy (HD-90) | 64%

LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICAN REPRESENTATIVE

Elizabeth Rowray (HD-35) | 21%

HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT REPRESENTATIVE

Justin Moed (HD-97) | 55%

LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRAT REPRESENTATIVES

Earl Harris (HD-2) | 12%

Gregory Porter (HD-96) | 12%

Cherish Pryor (HD-94) | 12%

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Abbott, David	HD-018	R	44%	44%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	10	-	17
Andrade, Mike	HD-012	D	35%	26%	5	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	8	10	10	-	37
Aylesworth, Michael	HD-011	R	34%	40%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Baird, Beau	HD-044	R	47%	50%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	X	8	8	10	-	-	14
Barrett, Bradford	HD-056	R	31%	38%	5	X	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	66
Bartels, Steve	HD-074	R	36%	42%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	10	-	32
Bartlett, John	HD-095	D	22%	27%	-	-	10	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	84
Bauer, Maureen	HD-006	D	25%	29%	5	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	10	-	77
Behning, Robert	HD-091	R	56%	45%	5	5	10	X	X	X	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	3
Borders, Bruce	HD-045	R	54%	53%	5	5	10	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	10	-	-	5
Boy, Patricia	HD-009	D	20%	26%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	10	-	87
Campbell, Chris	HD-026	D	22%	26%	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	10	10	-	84
Carbaugh, Martin	HD-081	R	50%	46%	5	5	-	X	X	-	8	-	8	8	10	-	-	12
Cash, Becky	HD-025	R	52%	64%	5	5	-	-	-	10	-	-	8	X	10	10	-	9
Cherry, Robert	HD-053	R	34%	37%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Clere, Edward	HD-072	R	36%	40%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	10	-	32
Criswell, Cory	HD-054	R	37%	42%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	X	30
Culp, Kendell	HD-016	R	31%	30%	X	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	66
Davis, Michelle	HD-058	R	38%	47%	5	5	-	-	-	X	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	25
DeLaney, Edward	HD-086	D	15%	27%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	92
DeVon, Dale	HD-005	R	34%	38%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42

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POINTS					5	5	10	2	10	10	8	6	8	8	10	10	8	
Dvorak, Ryan	HD-008	D	31%	44%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	10	10	-	66
Engleman, Karen	HD-070	R	28%	39%	5	5	-	-	-	-	X	-	8	8	-	-	-	70
Errington, Sue	HD-034	D	35%	31%	5	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	8	10	10	-	37
Fleming, Rita	HD-071	D	25%	31%	5	5	X	-	-	-	-	-	X	8	-	X	-	77
Garcia Wilburn, Victoria	HD-032	D	27%	22%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	10	10	-	71
Genda, Mark	HD-041	R	37%	33%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	X	30
GiaQuinta, Philip	HD-080	D	20%	29%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	10	-	87
Goodrich, Chuck	HD-029	R	34%	44%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Gore, Mitch	HD-089	D	52%	35%	5	-	10	X	-	-	-	-	8	8	10	10	-	9
Goss-Reaves, Lori	HD-031	R	36%	36%	5	5	10	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	32
Greene, Robb	HD-047	R	44%	49%	5	5	-	-	-	10	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	17
Haggard, Craig	HD-057	R	64%	59%	5	5	10	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	10	10	-	1
Hall, Dave	HD-062	R	34%	32%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Hamilton, Carey	HD-087	D	20%	34%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	10	-	87
Harris, Earl	HD-002	D	12%	23%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	97
Hatcher, Ragen	HD-003	D	42%	32%	-	-	10	2	10	-	-	-	-	-	10	10	-	21
Hatfield, Ryan	HD-077	D	35%	36%	5	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	8	10	10	-	37
Heaton, Robert	HD-046	R	34%	40%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Heine, Dave	HD-085	R	26%	36%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	72
Hostettler, Matt	HD-064	R	46%	60%	5	X	X	-	-	10	8	-	X	8	-	X	-	16
Huston, Todd	HD-037	R	n/a	38%	5	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	X	X	

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POINTS					5	5	10	2	10	10	8	6	8	8	10	10	8	
Jackson, Carolyn	HD-001	D	14%	23%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	10	X	93
Jeter, Chris	HD-088	R	38%	52%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	X	-	-	25
Johnson, Blake	HD-100	D	18%	26%	5	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	10	-	91
Jordan, Jack	HD-017	R	34%	45%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Judy, Christopher	HD-083	R	25%	48%	5	X	-	X	-	X	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	77
Karickhoff, Michael	HD-030	R	34%	38%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
King, Joanna	HD-049	R	34%	44%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Klinker, Sheila	HD-027	D	25%	29%	5	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	10	-	77
Lauer, Ryan	HD-059	R	34%	40%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Ledbetter, Cindy	HD-075	R	35%	39%	5	5	-	X	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	37
Lehman, Matt	HD-079	R	47%	45%	5	5	-	-	X	X	8	-	8	8	-	-	X	14
Lindauer, Shane	HD-063	R	34%	48%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Lucas, Jim	HD-069	R	44%	48%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	10	-	17
Lyness, Randy	HD-068	R	34%	42%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Manning, Ethan	HD-023	R	36%	42%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	10	-	32
May, Chris	HD-065	R	41%	38%	5	X	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	10	-	22
Mayfield, Peggy	HD-060	R	26%	41%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	72
McGuire, Julie	HD-093	R	54%	56%	5	5	10	-	10	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	5
McNamara, Wendy	HD-076	R	23%	40%	5	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	82
Meltzer, Jennifer	HD-073	R	23%	31%	5	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	82
Miller, Doug	HD-048	R	34%	41%	X	5	-	-	-	X	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42

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POINTS					5	5	10	2	10	10	8	6	8	8	10	10	8	
Miller, Kyle	HD-082	D	14%	16%	-	-	X	2	-	-	X	-	X	8	-	-	-	93
Moed, Justin	HD-097	D	55%	39%	5	-	10	2	10	-	-	-	-	8	10	10	-	4
Morris, Robert	HD-084	R	52%	52%	5	5	10	2	-	-	X	-	8	8	10	-	-	9
Morrison, Alan	HD-042	R	34%	47%	5	5	-	2	X	-	X	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Moseley, Chuck	HD-010	D	35%	29%	5	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	8	10	10	-	37
Negele, Sharon	HD-013	R	26%	39%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	72
O'Brien, Timothy	HD-078	R	34%	39%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Olthoff, Julie	HD-019	R	34%	38%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Pack, Renee	HD-092	D	26%	30%	-	-	10	2	-	-	X	-	X	-	-	10	-	72
Patterson, Lindsay	HD-055	R	34%	37%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Payne, Zach	HD-066	R	41%	66%	X	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	10	-	22
Pfaff, Tonya	HD-043	D	20%	29%	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	8	-	10	-	87
Pierce, Kyle	HD-036	R	38%	48%	5	5	-	-	-	X	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	25
Pierce, Matt	HD-061	D	13%	27%	-	-	-	2	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	95
Porter, Gregory	HD-096	D	12%	28%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	97
Prescott, J.D.	HD-033	R	50%	58%	5	5	X	-	-	-	8	-	X	8	10	X	-	12
Pressel, Jim	HD-020	R	36%	39%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	10	-	32
Pryor, Cherrish	HD-094	D	12%	26%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	97
Rowray, Elizabeth	HD-035	R	21%	32%	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	86
Schaibley, Donna	HD-024	R	34%	41%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Shackleford, Robin	HD-098	D	13%	25%	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	10	-	95

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POINTS					5	5	10	2	10	10	8	6	8	8	10	10	8	
Slager, Harold	HD-015	R	34%	40%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Smaltz, Ben	HD-052	R	34%	42%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Smith, Vernon	HD-014	D	24%	30%	-	-	-	2	-	X	-	-	-	-	10	10	-	81
Snow, Craig	HD-022	R	38%	37%	5	5	-	-	-	X	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	25
Soliday, Edmond	HD-004	R	34%	37%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Speedy, Mike	HD-090	R	64%	51%	5	X	10	-	10	-	8	-	8	8	X	-	X	1
Steuerwald, Gregory	HD-040	R	31%	40%	5	5	-	2	X	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	66
Summers, Vanessa	HD-099	D	34%	29%	-	X	-	2	-	-	-	-	X	8	10	10	-	42
Sweet, Lorissa	HD-050	R	54%	62%	5	5	-	-	-	10	8	-	8	8	-	10	-	5
Teshka, Jake	HD-007	R	39%	51%	5	5	-	X	X	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	24
Thompson, Jeffrey	HD-028	R	34%	39%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Torr, Jerry	HD-039	R	38%	44%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	X	-	-	25
VanNatter, Heath	HD-038	R	44%	52%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	10	-	-	17
Wesco, Timothy	HD-021	R	54%	51%	5	5	10	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	10	-	-	5
Zent, Dennis	HD-051	R	34%	38%	5	5	-	-	-	-	8	-	8	8	-	-	-	42
Zimmerman, Alex	HD-067	R	26%	26%	5	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	-	-	72

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HB 1001

MINOR EDUCATION SCHOLARSHIP EXPANSION (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements a modest expansion of the state’s Education Scholarship Account. Specifically, the legislation authorizes eligibility for siblings of students with disabilities enrolled in the program. While the program remains capped at \$10 million annually, the expansion provides parents in eligible households with additional options that allow their children to attend a school of their choice. Lawmakers should continue to advance policies that empower parents instead of teachers’ unions and failing government schools. The Indiana House passed the bill, 80-17, on January 23, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 38-10, on March 5, 2024.

HB 1093

YOUTH EMPLOYMENT DEREGULATION (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill makes changes regarding youth employment. Specifically, the legislation

allows for the employment of minors in various entertainment and sports industry roles, implements exemptions for both time and hour restrictions for minors between 14 and 18 years old, eliminates restrictions on summer jobs for minors, and opens up employment opportunities for kids between 16 and 18 years of age in the agriculture industry. As hardworking families face persistent inflation and increased costs, providing new opportunities to supplement income is an important pro-growth and pro-family policy that will help offset the failed tax-and-spend policies of the government. The Indiana House passed the bill, 62-31, on March 6, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 39-9, on March 5, 2024.

HB 1121

NUMEROUS LOCAL TAX INCREASES (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill implements numerous local tax changes across Indiana. Specifically, the legislation authorizes a new 1 percent food and beverage tax in both Hammond and Cicero for the next 23 years. Estimates suggest a \$2.7 million total tax

increase on residents in both cities over just the next three years to fund transit and recreational projects. Additionally, the bill authorizes a 33 percent increase in the Knox County tourism tax and repurposes revenue from an existing and specific local income tax in Perry County for new capital improvement projects. Lawmakers should not facilitate additional local tax burdens on hardworking families for special interest projects during a time of persistent inflation. The Indiana House passed the bill, 81-13, on March 8, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 41-7, on March 4, 2024.

HB 1135

IMPROPER COSMETOLOGY LICENSING APPROACH (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill implements licensing reciprocity for cosmetologists. Specifically, the legislation provides licensing reciprocity in Indiana for anyone who completes a federal Department of Labor registered cosmetology apprenticeship program. While well-intentioned, this approach

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ties licensing to federal departments and the regulatory infrastructure of Washington D.C. In general, licensing reciprocity is important for removing barriers to entry in professions typically occupied by low-income populations, however, lawmakers should refrain from empowering federal bureaucracies to regulate common occupations in a one-size-fits-all approach. The Indiana House passed the bill, 66-27, on March 5, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 31-18, on February 29, 2024.

HB 1199

EXPANDED CRONY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICTS

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands the scope of economic enhancement districts (EEDs). Specifically, the legislation increases the allowable size of an EED to extend beyond a mile square, but less than two mile square. Further, the bill provides specific tax exemptions for multi-family housing units and implements a tax increase cap equal to \$5.5 million per year for each EED. Lastly, the bill increases the size of an EED's board and grants the Governor additional influence

on board composition. Over the past few years, Indiana utilized federal ARPA funds to subsidize well-connected business interests to implement pilot EED programs. Instead of imposing long-term tax increases to benefit special interests in the absence of "free" federal money, lawmakers should instead focus on improving the tax and regulatory climate to attract business investment in downtowns. The Indiana House passed the bill, 89-4, on March 7, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 42-7, on February 29, 2024.

HB 1278

EXPANDED GREEN ENERGY FOOTPRINT

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands costly and unreliable green energy initiatives in Indiana. Specifically, the bill authorizes the Office of Energy Development (OED) to establish a new taxpayer-backed revolving loan program for energy efficiency and empowers energy development centers to approve subsidized solar and wind projects more quickly. While the bill does repeal statutory authorization for a defunct alternative energy incentive fund, the fund has no appropriated money and therefore saves taxpayers no money.

Solar and wind energy are heavily subsidized, lack the dispatch and storage capability of energy sources like coal, and ultimately threaten the stability of the grid in service to a radical climate dogma. The Indiana House passed the bill, 84-4, on March 5, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 40-6, on February 29, 2024.

HB 1376

LOCAL TAX REFERENDA REFORMS

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill provides taxpayers with greater protection from local tax increases. Specifically, the legislation requires that any proposed property tax changes put forward by a school corporation to pay off debts must occur during a general election or municipal general election, ensuring that massive local tax hikes will not be implemented on a random date where low voter turnout can usher it through with minimal opposition. These measures protect both property owners and taxpayers with common sense reforms. The Indiana House passed the bill, 51-43, on February 1, 2024. The Indiana Senate did not take it up.

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SB 2

SUBSIDIZED CHILD CARE EXPANSION

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands taxpayer-backed child care benefits. Specifically, the legislation extends federal Child Care Development Fund (CCDF) subsidies to households at 85 percent of Indiana's median income which also contains an individual employed as a child care worker. Additionally, the legislation expands taxpayer-funded pre-K subsidies to these households as well. While it is unclear how much money will be appropriated to support this expansion, subsidized child care under the CCDF is equivalent to more than \$12,000 per child annually with subsidized pre-K statutorily capped at \$6,800 per child annually. Lawmakers should look for innovative market solutions to lower costs and improve access to child care instead of further burdening hardworking Indianans by entrenching federal welfare programs. The Indiana House passed the bill, 98-1, on March 4, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 45-2, on March 6, 2024.

SB 4

MODEST BUDGET AND REGULATORY REFORMS

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements numerous budget and regulatory changes. Specifically, the legislation reverts unused spending in dedicated funds to the state General Fund if they have not been used in the past two years, requires every agency to engage in a cost-benefit analysis of proposed rules and regulations that exceed \$1 million, requires costly regulations to undergo review by the Budget Committee before implementation, and expedites the ability of agencies to eliminate or lower fees. These reforms reorient spending and regulatory processes to be friendlier to taxpayers and workers. The Indiana House passed the bill, 68-25, on March 8, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 46-0, on the same day.

SB 180

CENTRAL BANK DIGITAL CURRENCY PROHIBITION

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill prohibits using a prospective central bank digital currency (CBDC). Specifically, the

legislation prohibits a digital currency issued by the Federal Reserve or other related entity from being recognized, used, or issued as currency in Indiana. Further, the bill prohibits state agencies from accepting or requiring payments using CBDC mechanisms. This is an important protection for families, workers, and consumers as a central digital currency would, in effect, give the federal government control over every citizen's bank account in a massive reorganization of the relationship between citizens and government. The Indiana House passed the bill, 83-11, on February 27, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 48-0, on February 6, 2024.

SB 238

COUNTY TOURISM TAX INCREASES

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill implements several tax increases in three counties. Specifically, the legislation authorizes Jefferson, Elkhart, and Knox County to impose innkeeper tax increases ranging from 33 percent to 60 percent higher than existing levels. Further, the bill provides for these elevated tax rates to continue through 2045. Estimates suggest that

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the total tax increase in these three counties will be more than \$5 million through FY2026 alone. Such proposals ultimately harm long-term economic growth, negatively impact surrounding businesses, and serve as additional revenue-grab schemes for local officials to benefit special interests. The Indiana House passed the bill, 75-21, on March 7, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 41-7, on March 8, 2024.

SB 256

PERMANENT CRONYISM INFRASTRUCTURE (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill empowers the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC) to permanently facilitate sweetheart deals. Specifically, the legislation eliminates the sunset on the innovation development district program. This program allows the IEDC to designate specific geographic locations to become innovation districts that capture incremental sales, income, and property taxes to reward well-connected entities with taxpayer-backed resources under the guise of economic development. Additionally, if the proposed project is more than \$2 billion, the IEDC does not have to consult with local officials

to create an innovation district. This type of unfettered and unaccountable cronyism rewards special interests at the expense of hardworking families and households. The Indiana House passed the bill, 57-39, on March 8, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 45-2, on the same day.

SB 273

NEW MEDICAID AND INSURER COVERAGE MANDATE

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill mandates that state health insurance plans and the Medicaid welfare program cover a new service. Specifically, the legislation mandates that specified insurance plans and Medicaid cover biomarker testing. Government coverage mandates since the passage of Obamacare have directly caused premiums to double, and in some instances triple, significantly diminished access to care, and ravaged state budgets. Instead of barreling toward full socialized medicine with yet another incremental expansion of Medicaid and flawed insurance regulation, lawmakers should roll back these cost-driving mandates for approaches that remove bureaucratic barriers to care. The Indiana House passed the bill, 94-0,

on February 27, 2024. The Indiana Senate passed it, 47-1, on February 6, 2024.

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