

A stylized map of the state of Indiana, composed of a grid of dots. The dots are arranged in a pattern that roughly follows the outline of the state. The dots are colored in shades of gold and white, creating a pixelated or mosaic effect. The map is positioned in the upper right quadrant of the image, overlapping a dark blue background that features a faint map of the United States with Indiana highlighted in white.

2025

A large, detailed image of the Indiana State Capitol building. The building is a grand, multi-story structure with a prominent dome and classical architectural features like columns and arches. It is shown in a dark, blue-tinted style, blending with the background. The building occupies the left and center portions of the image.

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
GOAL IS TO INFORM
THE PUBLIC AND
BRING AWARENESS
TO LAWMAKERS.

Methodology | Indiana 2025

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
- 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.

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LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS CONSIDERED IN INDIANA IN 2025

The Foundation’s study examined over 1,000 floor votes and, in the end, included 16 Indiana House votes and 17 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 2025 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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Indiana Senate Snapshot

50 MEMBERS

40 Republicans

10 Democrats

0 Vacancies

Average Republican Score: 68%

Average Democrat Score: 22%

HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Gary Byrne (SD-47) | 84%

LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Ron Alting (SD-22) | 33%

HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

David Niezgodski (SD-10) | 29%

LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

La Keisha Jackson (SD-34) | 10%

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POINTS					10	3	3	10	7	5	6	7	5	13	3	5	3	3	5	4	8	
Alexander, Scott	SD-26	R	77%	59%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	3
Alting, Ron	SD-22	R	33%	36%	10	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	X	3	-	-	-	-	-	8	40
Baldwin, Scott	SD-20	R	77%	47%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	3
Bassler, Eric	SD-39	R	56%	44%	10	3	3	-	-	-	6	-	5	13	3	5	-	-	-	-	8	36
Becker, Vaneta	SD-50	R	34%	38%	10	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	13	3	-	-	-	X	-	X	39
Bohacek, Mike	SD-08	R	48%	37%	10	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	5	13	3	-	3	-	-	-	8	38
Bray, Rodric	SD-37	R	77%	44%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	3
Brown, Liz	SD-15	R	76%	50%	10	3	3	10	-	-	6	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	16
Buchanan, Brian	SD-07	R	77%	48%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	3
Buck, James	SD-21	R	70%	48%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	-	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	21
Busch, Justin	SD-16	R	65%	48%	10	3	3	-	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	X	3	-	-	-	8	27
Byrne, Gary	SD-47	R	84%	67%	10	3	3	10	-	5	6	7	5	13	3	5	3	3	-	-	8	1
Carrasco, Cyndi	SD-36	R	70%	52%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	-	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	21
Charbonneau, Ed	SD-05	R	77%	44%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	3
Clark, Brett	SD-24	R	77%	77%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	3
Crider, Michael	SD-28	R	72%	44%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	X	X	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	19
Deery, Spencer	SD-23	R	70%	48%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	-	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	21
Dernulc, Dan	SD-01	R	58%	45%	10	3	3	-	7	-	-	-	X	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	34
Donato, Stacey	SD-18	R	65%	49%	10	-	3	10	-	-	-	7	5	13	3	X	3	-	-	-	8	27
Doriot, Blake	SD-12	R	67%	45%	10	3	3	10	-	-	-	7	X	13	X	5	3	-	-	-	8	26
Ford, J.D.	SD-29	D	18%	28%	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	X	-	X	8	48

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Freeman, Aaron	SD-32	R	59%	57%	10	3	3	-	-	-	6	-	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	32
Garten, Chris	SD-45	R	82%	50%	10	3	3	10	7	-	X	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	2
Gaskill, Mike	SD-25	R	70%	60%	10	3	3	10	-	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	21
Glick, Susan	SD-13	R	74%	43%	10	-	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	18
Goode, Greg	SD-38	R	71%	53%	10	-	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	-	-	-	-	8	20
Holdman, Travis	SD-19	R	77%	45%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	3
Hunley, Andrea	SD-46	D	21%	23%	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	8	46
Jackson, La Keisha	SD-34	D	10%	10%	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	X	-	X	50
Johnson, Tyler	SD-14	R	76%	72%	10	3	3	10	-	-	6	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	16
Koch, Eric	SD-44	R	77%	52%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	3
Leising, Jean	SD-42	R	60%	50%	-	3	3	10	-	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	31
Maxwell, Randy	SD-43	R	77%	56%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	3
Mishler, Ryan	SD-09	R	77%	47%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	3
Niemeyer, Rick	SD-06	R	57%	50%	10	X	X	-	7	-	X	X	5	X	3	X	3	-	-	-	8	35
Niezgodski, David	SD-10	D	29%	23%	10	-	-	-	7	X	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	8	41
Pol, Rodney	SD-04	D	21%	24%	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	8	46
Qaddoura, Fady	SD-30	D	24%	28%	-	-	-	-	7	-	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	8	44
Raatz, Jeff	SD-27	R	77%	52%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	3
Randolph, Lonnie	SD-02	D	25%	29%	-	X	-	-	7	-	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	8	43
Rogers, Linda	SD-11	R	77%	45%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	3
Schmitt, Daryl	SD-48	R	77%	77%	10	3	3	10	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	3
Spencer, Mark	SD-03	D	27%	27%	-	-	-	X	7	-	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	8	42

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Taylor, Greg	SD-33	D	24%	26%	-	-	-	-	7	-	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	8	44
Tomes, James	SD-49	R	56%	51%	10	3	-	-	-	-	6	-	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	36
Walker, Greg	SD-41	R	70%	50%	10	3	3	-	7	-	6	7	5	13	3	5	-	-	-	-	8	21
Walker, Kyle	SD-31	R	64%	45%	10	3	3	-	7	-	-	7	5	13	3	5	-	-	-	-	8	29
Yoder, Shelli	SD-40	D	17%	28%	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	8	49
Young, R. Michael	SD-35	R	62%	63%	-	3	3	X	-	5	6	-	5	13	X	5	3	3	-	-	8	30
Zay, Andy	SD-17	R	59%	59%	10	3	3	-	-	-	6	-	5	13	3	5	3	-	-	-	8	32

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HB 1001

MOSTLY POSITIVE BIENNIAL BUDGET AGREEMENT

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill allocates \$45.1 billion in spending for the State General Fund for FY2026-27. This is a 1.3 percent increase over the previous biennial budget in state spending. The legislation includes a nearly 40 percent decrease from the previous biennium for crony corporate welfare initiatives within the Indiana Economic Development Corporation, a nearly 30 percent decrease in Department of Workforce Development spending, defunding of the Indiana Public Broadcasting Service, termination of the Governor’s Workforce Cabinet, and elimination of numerous crony grant programs. The legislation continues the upward trajectory of the state’s Medicaid program, appropriating a \$1.8 billion spending increase that makes Medicaid spending now equal to 22 percent of the state’s total budget. Despite seemingly never-ending Medicaid increases, lawmakers showed significantly improved fiscal restraint

by keeping biennial spending growth nearly flat at a time of persistent inflation. This spending discipline, combined with significant reductions to government agencies, is a welcome course correction for hardworking Hoosiers. The Indiana House passed the bill, 66-27, on April 25, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 39-11, on the same day.

HB 1001 AMDT 50

MEDICAID EXPANSION FOR DOULAS (CFGF OPPOSES)

The Hunley amendment to the biennial budget expands Medicaid to doula services. Specifically, the legislation mandates that doula services be covered by the state’s rapidly-expanding and increasingly out-of-control Medicaid program. Incremental expansions for specific specialists and services guarantee that these spending trends will continue as taxpayers are coerced into subsidizing such services. Lawmakers should refrain from implementing policies that tether Hoosiers to a failed welfare program that drives up overall costs for taxpayers and

creates poorer health outcomes for patients. The Indiana Senate rejected the amendment, 13-35, on April 14, 2025. The Indiana House did not take it up.

HB 1001 AMDT 66

SUPERCHARGED TEACHER SALARY INCREASES

(CFGF OPPOSES)

The Hunley amendment to the biennial budget significantly increases salaries for K-12 government school teachers. Specifically, the legislation implements a 50 percent across-the-board meritless pay increase for all teachers in the state, from a \$40,000 minimum to a \$60,000 minimum salary. As parents seek alternatives to failing government schools and students continue to be empowered through school choice programs, lawmakers should not reward harmful teachers’ unions with access to significantly increased taxpayer resources. The Indiana Senate rejected the amendment, 13-36, on April 14, 2025. The Indiana House took it up under a different amendment.

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HB 1002

SIGNIFICANT EDUCATION DEREGULATION
(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill significantly reduces Indiana’s state education regulatory apparatus. Specifically, the legislation eliminates the Advisory Committee on Career and Technical Education, destructive Critical Theory-based social-emotional learning programs, the Arts Education Program, numerous unused grant programs, COVID-19 mandates, and statutes related to the federal E-Rate Match Program. Estimates suggest the bill repeals a full 10 percent of the state’s existing education regulations. Further, the bill empowers parents with the ability to transfer their children to schools outside their designated settlement area for any reason. These changes ultimately diminish the power of bureaucrats and union bosses in favor of parents and students. The Indiana House passed the bill, 61-25, on April 24, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 27-21, on the same day.

HB 1003

COMBATING MEDICAID FRAUD
(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements numerous new powers to fight Medicaid fraud and promote price transparency. Specifically, the legislation expands the powers of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) to include provider fraud, insurer fraud, and duplicate billing, while maintaining anonymity protections for those reporting potential programmatic fraud. Further, the bill implements requirements for both public posting of service prices and good-faith estimates provided to patients at least two days before a procedure. Medicaid expansion has been a disaster for Indiana, with Medicaid spending more than doubling over the last decade. Lawmakers should accelerate measures to mitigate fraud, repeal the destructive Medicaid expansion under Obamacare to healthy adults, and move individuals toward a patient-centered, free-market model of healthcare. The Indiana House passed the bill, 67-25, on April 24, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed the bill, 30-20, on the same day.

HB 1292

CRONY PROFESSIONAL SPORTS
AUTHORITY
(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill establishes a new crony athletic commission. Specifically, the legislation creates the Northwest Indiana Professional Sports Development Commission for the purpose of attracting the Chicago Cubs, Chicago White Sox, Chicago Bears, and Chicago Bulls to northwest Indiana. The commission is empowered to receive taxpayer funding through grants and appropriations. Additionally, the commission will inevitably enter into bidding wars with competitors in Illinois, similar to what occurred in Kansas, dangling increasingly obscene taxpayer-funded carrots to lure professional sports franchises to northwest Indiana. Lawmakers should not reward massive athletic franchises with access to exorbitant taxpayer-backed capital. The Indiana House passed the bill, 75-7, on April 16, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 46-2, on April 8, 2025.

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HB 1601

CRONY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill establishes a new tax carveout for quantum research corporations via government-facilitated economic development. Specifically, the legislation authorizes the Indiana Economic Development Corporation to approve a quantum research sales tax exemption for eligible entities. These exemptions are valid for 50 years if the investment exceeds \$50 million and 25 years for investments under \$50 million. Further, the bill authorizes municipalities to grant eligible businesses a permanent property tax exemption if they invest \$100 million in real and personal property and pay wages equal to 125 percent of the county average. No caps or specifics are provided in the bill text for the exemption amounts. This legislation rewards well-connected special interests at the expense of hardworking Hoosiers and attempts to centrally plan Indiana’s economic growth. The Indiana House passed the bill, 61-24, on April 21, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 30-18, on April 15, 2025.

SB 1

MIXED BAG TAX OVERHAUL (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements myriad tax changes in Indiana. Specifically, the legislation creates a new \$300 homestead property tax credit, exempts businesses with less than \$2 million in property from property taxes, eliminates the 30 percent depreciation floor on capital expenditures, requires local bond referenda to be held during general elections, requires local officials to annually vote on tax rates, and decreases the amount of local income taxes that can be collected from 3.75 percent to 2.9 percent. Estimates suggest that these changes will save hardworking families \$1.3 billion in property taxes over the next three years and \$1.9 billion in reduced local income tax capacity. However, the bill also grants municipalities greater flexibility on local income tax utilization, creating scenarios where local taxes may increase to offset reduced property tax revenue. Further, businesses may remain smaller and less efficient to stay under the \$2 million property tax threshold. While the overall package moves policy in the right direction, it’s

far from a home run. The Indiana House passed the bill, 65-29, on April 10, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 27-22, on April 15, 2025.

SB 1 AMDT 1

MASSIVE RENT SUBSIDY SCHEME (CFGF OPPOSES)

The Qaddoura amendment to the tax reform package implements a tiered set of increased rent subsidies. Specifically, the legislation triples the existing rent deduction from \$3,000 to \$9,000 for both individuals and married couples beginning January 1, 2027. This is a terrible policy that discourages property ownership by creating a permanent renting class, undermines property owners, and guarantees price increases in the housing market to accommodate such significant subsidization. The Indiana Senate rejected the amendment, 10-36, on February 13, 2025. The Indiana House took it up under a different amendment.

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SB 2

SIGNIFICANT MEDICAID REFORMS
(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements new reforms to curb Indiana’s out-of-control Medicaid program. Specifically, the legislation prohibits self-attestation for Medicaid eligibility, monitors Medicaid recipients’ participation in state lottery activities, creates a monthly scrub of deceased recipients from the Medicaid rolls, institutes a quarterly evaluation of recipients’ wages to determine eligibility status, and requires annual audits to determine continued eligibility status for Medicaid enrollees. Further, the bill imposes work requirements for the state’s Medicaid program, ensuring that recipients work, train, or volunteer at least 20 hours per week. While these changes are critical to constrain the growth of Medicaid and move Hoosiers toward a patient-centered, free-market model of healthcare, lawmakers should repeal the Medicaid expansion under Obamacare for healthy adults. The Indiana House passed the bill, 66-28, on April 8, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 37-10, on April 17, 2025.

SB 5

MODEST GOVERNMENT CONTRACT SAFEGUARDS
(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements several sensible reforms for state contracts. Specifically, the bill requires state agencies to provide quarterly reports to the Legislature on applications for new federal funding and cannot accept awards or participate in programs if such funding has not undergone review and approval by the Budget Committee. Further, the bill reverts unused funds for agency contracts, prohibits agencies from entering into nonpublic contracts, and requires enhanced Medicaid review with public posting of programmatic expenditures. Such reforms are a necessary baseline to build accountability and trust with taxpayers. The Indiana House passed the bill, 90-1, on April 23, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 48-0, on the same day.

SB 249

MODEST PERFORMANCE PAY REFORMS
(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill introduces changes to how school corporations pay teachers. Specifically, the

legislation allows schools to pay teachers more than their salary agreements when such payment is in the best interest of students and provides for diverting funding used for collective bargaining for this purpose. Further, the bill implements approval to increase salaries for teachers who operate in a high-need area of the state using resources designated for collective bargaining. Unions routinely act as political enforcers for far-left activists and causes, and this bill constrains resources available to union bosses while rewarding high-performing teachers through merit-based principles. The Indiana House passed the bill, 65-29, on March 25, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 34-13, on March 31, 2025.

SB 289

PROHIBITING TAXPAYER-FUNDED CRITICAL THEORY
(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill prohibits state agencies, K-12 government schools, and higher education institutions from promoting or practicing Critical Theory (CRT) initiatives and concepts. Specifically, the legislation prohibits state

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entities that receive taxpayer money from operating woke offices and programs that promote race essentialism and prohibits the use of CRT in licensing requirements. Further, the bill protects students, contractors, and employees from being compelled to participate in activities or training that affirm destructive race essentialism. Hardworking Hoosiers should not be forced to fund bureaucracies that engage in explicit discrimination and espouse neo-Marxist concepts. The Indiana House passed the bill, 64-26, on April 24, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 34-16, on the same day.

SB 304

NUMEROUS LOCAL TAX INCREASES

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill implements several municipal tax hikes across Indiana. Specifically, the legislation authorizes Marion and Richmond to impose a 1 percent food and beverage tax, expands Shipshewana’s food and beverage tax from 1 percent to 2 percent, and authorizes these new tax hikes for another 22 years until January 1, 2047. Lawmakers should not facilitate

additional local tax burdens on hardworking families for special interest-driven revenue grabs during a time of persistent inflation. The Indiana Senate passed the bill, 47-2, on February 18, 2025. The Indiana House did not take it up.

SB 306

CONTINUED HOLLYWOOD TAX GIVEAWAY

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands a crony tax credit scheme that rewards Hollywood insiders with taxpayer-backed resources. Specifically, the legislation allows a taxpayer to assign any part of the film and media production tax credit against the state income tax, up to \$250,000 per individual, with a total annual programmatic cap of \$2 million. Furthermore, the bill extends the program’s sunset from 2027 to 2031 and maintains the nine-year carry-forward provision. The considerations of hardworking taxpayers burdened by persistently high inflation should not be secondary to the desires of the Hollywood elite. The Indiana House passed the bill, 89-3, on April 1, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 48-0, on April 7, 2025.

SB 346

CRONY RURAL TAX CARVEOUT

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill creates a new rural tax credit program in Indiana. Specifically, the legislation establishes the Rural Fund Capital Investment Tax Credit, which rewards businesses and other entities with \$15 million per year in tax exemptions for investments in rural areas of Indiana, as approved by the Indiana Economic Development Corporation (IEDC). Entities would be required to pay the IEDC a \$5,000 application fee, with the rural investment credit equal to 15 percent of the purchase price paid to the rural fund for the capital investment. The credit is nonrefundable, can be carried forward for five years, and may be applied to insurance premium taxes. Instead of rewarding corporations with taxpayer-backed resources to centrally plan Indiana’s economy, lawmakers should focus on creating an inviting environment through low taxes, deregulation, and reduced government spending. The Indiana Senate passed the bill, 47-2, on February 18, 2025. The Indiana House did not take it up.

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SB 451

ADDITIONAL INCOME TAX REDUCTION

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill further reduces the individual income tax by a modest amount if certain revenue thresholds are met. Specifically, the legislation lowers the individual rate from its current 2.9 percent to 2.8 percent in 2032, assuming revenue is continually and annually 3.5 percent higher than the previous fiscal year. In theory, the bill could lower the individual income tax rate to 2.55 percent by 2042. Estimates suggest this could save hardworking taxpayers roughly \$1.2 billion from 2030 through 2033. The Indiana House passed the bill, 74-18, on April 1, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 48-0, on April 7, 2025.

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Indiana House Snapshot

100 MEMBERS

70 Republicans

30 Democrats

0 Vacancies

Average Republican Score: 80%

Average Democrat Score: 14%

HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICANS

Zach Payne (HD-66) | 95%

J.D. Prescott (HD-33) | 95%

LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Ethan Manning (HD-23) | 51%

HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

Wendy Dant Chesser (HD-71) | 57%

LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

Gregory Porter (HD-96) | 3%

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Abbott, David	HD-018	R	79%	50%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Andrade, Mike	HD-012	D	14%	23%	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	8	75
Aylesworth, Michael	HD-011	R	79%	47%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Baird, Beau	HD-044	R	82%	55%	10	5	10	X	-	-	3	X	7	5	13	3	5	X	-	8	20
Barrett, Bradford	HD-056	R	82%	45%	10	5	10	7	X	-	3	-	7	X	13	3	5	3	-	8	20
Bartels, Steve	HD-074	R	77%	48%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	X	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	58
Bartlett, John	HD-095	D	12%	24%	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	83
Bascom, Garrett	HD-068	R	77%	77%	10	5	X	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	58
Bauer, Maureen	HD-006	D	16%	26%	-	-	-	-	-	X	3	X	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	8	74
Behning, Robert	HD-091	R	87%	51%	10	5	10	7	-	X	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	X	X	9
Borders, Bruce	HD-045	R	89%	59%	10	5	10	7	5	5	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	3
Boy, Patricia	HD-009	D	12%	24%	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	83
Burton, Alex	HD-077	D	13%	13%	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	X	-	78
Campbell, Chris	HD-026	D	13%	24%	-	-	-	-	X	-	3	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	78
Carbaugh, Martin	HD-081	R	80%	51%	10	5	10	7	-	X	3	-	7	X	13	3	5	3	-	X	25
Cash, Becky	HD-025	R	81%	68%	X	5	X	X	-	5	3	6	7	X	X	3	5	X	-	8	23
Clere, Edward	HD-072	R	69%	45%	10	X	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	-	-	-	8	66
Commons, Matthew	HD-013	R	78%	78%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	X	3	-	8	54
Criswell, Cory	HD-054	R	79%	54%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Culp, Kendell	HD-016	R	79%	46%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Dant Chesser, Wendy	HD-071	D	57%	57%	10	-	-	7	-	-	3	6	7	-	13	3	-	-	-	8	69

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Davis, Michelle	HD-058	R	69%	53%	-	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	66
DeLaney, Edward	HD-086	D	12%	24%	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	83
DeVon, Dale	HD-005	R	79%	45%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Dvorak, Ryan	HD-008	D	28%	41%	-	-	-	X	5	X	-	6	-	-	-	-	-	X	5	8	71
Engleman, Karen	HD-070	R	79%	46%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Errington, Sue	HD-034	D	12%	28%	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	83
Garcia Wilburn, Victoria	HD-032	D	12%	20%	-	-	-	-	-	X	3	6	-	-	-	X	X	-	X	X	83
Genda, Mark	HD-041	R	86%	49%	10	5	X	7	X	X	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	12
GiaQuinta, Philip	HD-080	D	12%	26%	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	83
Gore, Mitch	HD-089	D	4%	29%	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	X	-	X	-	3	-	-	X	X	95
Goss-Reaves, Lori	HD-031	R	79%	58%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Greene, Robb	HD-047	R	79%	59%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Haggard, Craig	HD-057	R	60%	59%	-	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	-	5	13	3	X	3	-	8	68
Hall, Dave	HD-062	R	79%	47%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Hamilton, Carey	HD-087	D	21%	32%	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	-	X	-	3	-	-	-	8	72
Harris, Earl	HD-002	D	7%	21%	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	X	-	X	-	3	-	-	X	-	94
Hatcher, Ragen	HD-003	D	8%	29%	-	-	X	X	-	-	3	-	X	-	-	3	-	X	-	-	93
Heaton, Robert	HD-046	R	79%	47%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Heine, Dave	HD-085	R	83%	45%	10	5	10	7	-	X	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	17
Hostettler, Matt	HD-064	R	89%	65%	10	5	10	7	-	X	3	6	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	3
Huston, Todd	HD-037	R	n/a	38%	10	X	10	7	X	X	X	X	7	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	

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Ireland, Andrew	HD-090	R	88%	88%	10	5	10	7	-	5	3	6	-	5	13	3	5	3	5	8	6
Isa, Tony	HD-051	R	76%	76%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	X	3	5	3	-	8	64
Jackson, Carolyn	HD-001	D	4%	21%	X	-	X	X	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	X	-	X	-	-	95
Jeter, Chris	HD-088	R	78%	59%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	X	13	3	5	3	-	8	54
Johnson, Blake	HD-100	D	n/a	26%	-	-	X	X	-	X	3	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	
Jordan, Jack	HD-017	R	79%	51%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Judy, Christopher	HD-083	R	78%	53%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	X	5	3	-	8	54
Karickhoff, Michael	HD-030	R	79%	44%	10	5	10	7	-	X	3	-	7	X	13	3	X	3	-	X	27
King, Joanna	HD-049	R	89%	54%	10	5	10	7	X	-	3	X	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	3
Klinker, Sheila	HD-027	D	9%	26%	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	92
Lauer, Ryan	HD-059	R	79%	47%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Lawson, Ethan	HD-053	R	79%	79%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Ledbetter, Cindy	HD-075	R	82%	49%	10	5	10	7	X	-	3	-	7	X	13	3	5	3	-	8	20
Lehman, Matt	HD-079	R	88%	52%	10	5	10	7	-	X	3	X	7	X	13	3	5	3	-	8	6
Lindauer, Shane	HD-063	R	79%	53%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Lopez, Daniel	HD-039	R	84%	84%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	X	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	13
Lucas, Jim	HD-069	R	79%	54%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Manning, Ethan	HD-023	R	51%	44%	10	5	10	-	-	-	X	-	-	5	-	3	5	3	-	8	70
May, Chris	HD-065	R	80%	45%	10	5	10	7	-	X	3	-	7	5	X	3	5	3	-	8	25
Mayfield, Peggy	HD-060	R	79%	47%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
McGuire, Julie	HD-093	R	77%	63%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	X	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	58

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Meltzer, Jennifer	HD-073	R	81%	46%	10	5	X	7	X	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	23
Miller, Doug	HD-048	R	79%	48%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Miller, Kyle	HD-082	D	14%	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	8	75
Moed, Justin	HD-097	D	13%	34%	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	X	-	3	-	-	-	8	78
Morris, Robert	HD-084	R	84%	56%	X	5	X	X	5	-	3	X	7	5	13	X	5	X	-	8	13
Moseley, Chuck	HD-010	D	12%	26%	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	8	83
O'Brien, Timothy	HD-078	R	79%	49%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Olthoff, Julie	HD-019	R	84%	49%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	X	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	13
Pack, Renee	HD-092	D	n/a	30%	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	-	-	X	X	X	X	-	-	
Patterson, Lindsay	HD-055	R	79%	52%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Payne, Zach	HD-066	R	95%	74%	10	5	10	7	-	5	3	6	7	5	13	X	5	3	5	8	1
Pfaff, Tonya	HD-043	D	21%	28%	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	-	X	-	3	-	-	-	8	72
Pierce, Kyle	HD-036	R	87%	60%	10	5	10	7	X	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	X	X	9
Pierce, Matt	HD-061	D	12%	24%	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	83
Porter, Gregory	HD-096	D	3%	24%	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	97
Prescott, J.D.	HD-033	R	95%	64%	10	5	10	7	5	5	3	6	7	5	13	3	5	X	-	8	1
Pressel, Jim	HD-020	R	77%	45%	10	5	X	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	58
Pryor, Cherrish	HD-094	D	13%	23%	-	-	-	-	X	-	3	6	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	78
Rowray, Elizabeth	HD-035	R	83%	44%	10	5	10	7	X	-	X	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	17
Shackleford, Robin	HD-098	D	13%	23%	-	-	-	-	X	-	3	6	-	X	-	3	-	-	-	-	78

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Shonkwiler, Alaina	HD-029	R	76%	76%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	X	X	13	3	5	3	-	8	64
Slager, Harold	HD-015	R	77%	49%	10	5	10	7	-	-	X	-	7	X	13	3	5	3	-	8	58
Smaltz, Ben	HD-052	R	79%	48%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Smith, Hunter	HD-024	R	79%	79%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Smith, Vernon	HD-014	D	14%	27%	X	-	-	-	-	-	3	6	X	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	75
Snow, Craig	HD-022	R	87%	48%	10	5	X	7	-	X	3	X	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	9
Soliday, Edmond	HD-004	R	78%	44%	10	X	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	54
Steuerwald, Gregory	HD-040	R	79%	47%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Summers, Vanessa	HD-099	D	12%	26%	X	-	X	-	-	-	3	6	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	83
Sweet, Lorissa	HD-050	R	88%	69%	X	5	X	7	-	5	3	6	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	6
Teshka, Jake	HD-007	R	79%	58%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Thompson, Jeffrey	HD-028	R	83%	46%	10	5	10	7	-	X	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	17
VanNatter, Heath	HD-038	R	79%	56%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Wesco, Timothy	HD-021	R	84%	57%	10	5	10	7	-	5	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	13
Yocum, Tim	HD-042	R	79%	79%	10	5	10	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	27
Zimmerman, Alex	HD-067	R	77%	50%	10	5	X	7	-	-	3	-	7	5	13	3	5	3	-	8	58

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MOSTLY POSITIVE BIENNIAL BUDGET AGREEMENT

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill allocates \$45.1 billion in spending for the State General Fund for FY2026-27. This is a 1.3 percent increase over the previous biennial budget in state spending. The legislation includes a nearly 40 percent decrease from the previous biennium for crony corporate welfare initiatives within the Indiana Economic Development Corporation, a nearly 30 percent decrease in Department of Workforce Development spending, defunding of the Indiana Public Broadcasting Service, termination of the Governor’s Workforce Cabinet, and elimination of numerous crony grant programs. The legislation continues the upward trajectory of the state’s Medicaid program, appropriating a \$1.8 billion spending increase that makes Medicaid spending now equal to 22 percent of the state’s total budget. Despite seemingly never-ending Medicaid

increases, lawmakers showed significantly improved fiscal restraint by keeping biennial spending growth nearly flat at a time of persistent inflation. This spending discipline, combined with significant reductions to government agencies, is a welcome course correction for hardworking Hoosiers. The Indiana House passed the bill, 66-27, on April 25, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 39-11, on the same day.

HB 1001 AMDT 12

SUPERCHARGED TEACHER SALARY INCREASES

(CFGF OPPOSES)

The Klinker amendment to the biennial budget significantly increases salaries for K-12 government school teachers. Specifically, the legislation implements a 50 percent across-the-board meritless pay increase for all teachers in the state, from a \$40,000 minimum to a \$60,000 minimum salary. As parents seek alternatives to failing government schools and

students continue to be empowered through school choice programs, lawmakers should not reward harmful teachers’ unions with access to significantly increased taxpayer resources. The Indiana House rejected the amendment, 29-67, on February 19, 2025. The Indiana Senate took it up under a different amendment.

HB 1002

SIGNIFICANT EDUCATION DEREGULATION (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill significantly reduces Indiana’s state education regulatory apparatus. Specifically, the legislation eliminates the Advisory Committee on Career and Technical Education, destructive Critical Theory-based social-emotional learning programs, the Arts Education Program, numerous unused grant programs, COVID-19 mandates, and statutes related to the federal E-Rate Match Program. Estimates suggest the bill repeals a full 10 percent of the state’s existing education regulations. Further, the bill empowers parents

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with the ability to transfer their children to schools outside their designated settlement area for any reason. These changes ultimately diminish the power of bureaucrats and union bosses in favor of parents and students. The Indiana House passed the bill, 61-25, on April 24, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 27-21, on the same day.

HB 1003

COMBATING MEDICAID FRAUD

(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements numerous new powers to fight Medicaid fraud and promote price transparency. Specifically, the legislation expands the powers of the Medicaid Fraud Control Unit (MFCU) to include provider fraud, insurer fraud, and duplicate billing, while maintaining anonymity protections for those reporting potential programmatic fraud. Further, the bill implements requirements for both public posting of service prices and good-faith estimates provided to patients at least two days before a procedure. Medicaid expansion has been a disaster for Indiana, with Medicaid spending more than doubling

over the last decade. Lawmakers should accelerate measures to mitigate fraud, repeal the destructive Medicaid expansion under Obamacare to healthy adults, and move individuals toward a patient-centered, free-market model of healthcare. The Indiana House passed the bill, 67-25, on April 24, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed the bill, 30-20, on the same day.

HB 1080

NUMEROUS LOCAL TAX INCREASES

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill implements several municipal tax hikes across Indiana. Specifically, the legislation authorizes Shelbyville to impose a 1 percent food and beverage tax, expands Delaware and Brown County’s lodging taxes from 5 percent to 8 percent, and allows LaGrange County to replace its lodging tax with a new tax up to 8 percent. Lawmakers should not facilitate additional local tax burdens on hardworking families for special interest-driven revenue grabs during a time of persistent inflation. The Indiana House passed the bill, 85-4, on February 4, 2025. The Indiana Senate did not take it up.

HB 1292

CRONY PROFESSIONAL SPORTS

AUTHORITY

(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill establishes a new crony athletic commission. Specifically, the legislation creates the Northwest Indiana Professional Sports Development Commission for the purpose of attracting the Chicago Cubs, Chicago White Sox, Chicago Bears, and Chicago Bulls to northwest Indiana. The commission is empowered to receive taxpayer funding through grants and appropriations. Additionally, the commission will inevitably enter into bidding wars with competitors in Illinois, similar to what occurred in Kansas, dangling increasingly obscene taxpayer-funded carrots to lure professional sports franchises to northwest Indiana. Lawmakers should not reward massive athletic franchises with access to exorbitant taxpayer-backed capital. The Indiana House passed the bill, 75-7, on April 16, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 46-2, on April 8, 2025.

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HB 1562

MODEST COTTAGE FOOD DEREGULATION (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill reduces the regulatory oversight on the burgeoning cottage food industry. Specifically, the legislation expands the ability of home-based food operations and small farms to sell their goods by exempting such entities from state and local licensing and inspection requirements. The bill places eligibility restrictions by requiring such operations to sell less than \$1.5 million in gross sales annually and requires products to be sold within the state of Indiana. Onerous licensing schemes create needless barriers to entry for hardworking families, especially during times of persistent inflation. The Indiana House passed the bill, 89-1, on February 11, 2025. The Indiana Senate did not take it up.

HB 1601

CRONY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INITIATIVE (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill establishes a new tax carveout for quantum research corporations via government-

facilitated economic development. Specifically, the legislation authorizes the Indiana Economic Development Corporation to approve a quantum research sales tax exemption for eligible entities. These exemptions are valid for 50 years if the investment exceeds \$50 million and 25 years for investments under \$50 million. Further, the bill authorizes municipalities to grant eligible businesses a permanent property tax exemption if they invest \$100 million in real and personal property and pay wages equal to 125 percent of the county average. No caps or specifics are provided in the bill text for the exemption amounts. This legislation rewards well-connected special interests at the expense of hardworking Hoosiers and attempts to centrally plan Indiana’s economic growth. The Indiana House passed the bill, 61-24, on April 21, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 30-18, on April 15, 2025.

SB 1

MIXED BAG TAX OVERHAUL (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements myriad tax changes in Indiana. Specifically, the legislation creates

a new \$300 homestead property tax credit, exempts businesses with less than \$2 million in property from property taxes, eliminates the 30 percent depreciation floor on capital expenditures, requires local bond referenda to be held during general elections, requires local officials to annually vote on tax rates, and decreases the amount of local income taxes that can be collected from 3.75 percent to 2.9 percent. Estimates suggest that these changes will save hardworking families \$1.3 billion in property taxes over the next three years and \$1.9 billion in reduced local income tax capacity. However, the bill also grants municipalities greater flexibility on local income tax utilization, creating scenarios where local taxes may increase to offset reduced property tax revenue. Further, businesses may remain smaller and less efficient to stay under the \$2 million property tax threshold. While the overall package moves policy in the right direction, it’s far from a home run. The Indiana House passed the bill, 65-29, on April 10, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 27-22, on April 15, 2025.

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SB 1 AMDT 24

MASSIVE RENT SUBSIDY SCHEME
(CFGF OPPOSES)

The Porter amendment to the tax reform package implements increased rent subsidies. Specifically, the legislation increases the existing rent deduction from \$3,000 to \$5,000 for both individuals and married couples beginning January 1, 2026. This is a terrible policy that discourages property ownership by creating a permanent renting class, undermines property owners, and guarantees price increases in the housing market to accommodate such significant subsidization. The Indiana House rejected the amendment, 23-60, on April 9, 2025. The Indiana Senate took it up under a different amendment.

SB 2

SIGNIFICANT MEDICAID REFORMS
(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements new reforms to curb Indiana’s out-of-control Medicaid program. Specifically, the legislation prohibits self-attestation for Medicaid eligibility, monitors Medicaid recipients’ participation in state

lottery activities, creates a monthly scrub of deceased recipients from the Medicaid rolls, institutes a quarterly evaluation of recipients’ wages to determine eligibility status, and requires annual audits to determine continued eligibility status for Medicaid enrollees. Further, the bill imposes work requirements for the state’s Medicaid program, ensuring that recipients work, train, or volunteer at least 20 hours per week. While these changes are critical to constrain the growth of Medicaid and move Hoosiers toward a patient-centered, free-market model of healthcare, lawmakers should repeal the Medicaid expansion under Obamacare for healthy adults. The Indiana House passed the bill, 66-28, on April 8, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 37-10, on April 17, 2025.

SB 5

MODEST GOVERNMENT CONTRACT
SAFEGUARDS
(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements several sensible reforms for state contracts. Specifically, the bill requires state agencies to provide quarterly reports

to the Legislature on applications for new federal funding and cannot accept awards or participate in programs if such funding has not undergone review and approval by the Budget Committee. Further, the bill reverts unused funds for agency contracts, prohibits agencies from entering into nonpublic contracts, and requires enhanced Medicaid review with public posting of programmatic expenditures. Such reforms are a necessary baseline to build accountability and trust with taxpayers. The Indiana House passed the bill, 90-1, on April 23, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 48-0, on the same day.

SB 249

MODEST PERFORMANCE PAY REFORMS
(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill introduces changes to how school corporations pay teachers. Specifically, the legislation allows schools to pay teachers more than their salary agreements when such payment is in the best interest of students and provides for diverting funding used for collective bargaining for this purpose. Further, the bill implements approval to increase salaries

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for teachers who operate in a high-need area of the state using resources designated for collective bargaining. Unions routinely act as political enforcers for far-left activists and causes, and this bill constrains resources available to union bosses while rewarding high-performing teachers through merit-based principles. The Indiana House passed the bill, 65-29, on March 25, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 34-13, on March 31, 2025.

SB 289
PROHIBITING TAXPAYER-FUNDED CRITICAL THEORY
(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill prohibits state agencies, K-12 government schools, and higher education institutions from promoting or practicing Critical Theory (CRT) initiatives and concepts. Specifically, the legislation prohibits state entities that receive taxpayer money from operating woke offices and programs that promote race essentialism and prohibits the use of CRT in licensing requirements. Further, the bill protects students, contractors, and employees from being compelled to participate

in activities or training that affirm destructive race essentialism. Hardworking Hoosiers should not be forced to fund bureaucracies that engage in explicit discrimination and espouse neo-Marxist concepts. The Indiana House passed the bill, 64-26, on April 24, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 34-16, on the same day.

SB 306
CONTINUED HOLLYWOOD TAX GIVEAWAY
(CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands a crony tax credit scheme that rewards Hollywood insiders with taxpayer-backed resources. Specifically, the legislation allows a taxpayer to assign any part of the film and media production tax credit against the state income tax, up to \$250,000 per individual, with a total annual programmatic cap of \$2 million. Furthermore, the bill extends the program’s sunset from 2027 to 2031 and maintains the nine-year carry-forward provision. The considerations of hardworking taxpayers burdened by persistently high inflation should not be secondary to the desires of the Hollywood elite. The Indiana

House passed the bill, 89-3, on April 1, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 48-0, on April 7, 2025.

SB 451
ADDITIONAL INCOME TAX REDUCTION
(CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill further reduces the individual income tax by a modest amount if certain revenue thresholds are met. Specifically, the legislation lowers the individual rate from its current 2.9 percent to 2.8 percent in 2032, assuming revenue is continually and annually 3.5 percent higher than the previous fiscal year. In theory, the bill could lower the individual income tax rate to 2.55 percent by 2042. Estimates suggest this could save hardworking taxpayers roughly \$1.2 billion from 2030 through 2033. The Indiana House passed the bill, 74-18, on April 1, 2025. The Indiana Senate passed it, 48-0, on April 7, 2025.

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