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# Texas State Economic Scorecard

See how Members of Texas's State Legislature 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-  
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THE FOUNDATION  
CONDUCTS  
COMPREHENSIVE  
EXAMINATIONS OF  
VOTING RECORDS.

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Club for Growth Foundation publishes the scorecard study so the public can monitor the actions and the voting behavior of Texas’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 TEXAS IN 2023

The Foundation's study examined over 4,700 floor votes and, in the end, included 20 Texas House votes and 19 Texas 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 #150

in the House and #31 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 2023 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 Texas House and Texas Senate and legislative actions is just that. It cannot account for a lawmaker's work in committee, advocacy in his party's caucus meetings, and effectiveness as a leader in advocating pro-growth policies.

"Through the release of this series, the Club for Growth Foundation is looking at how state legislatures perform in terms of pro-growth policies. We believe that this scorecard will help inform citizens and entrepreneurs about who supports the policies that are good for economic prosperity."

**- DAVID McINTOSH**  
PRESIDENT, CLUB FOR GROWTH FOUNDATION

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# Texas Senate Snapshot

19 Republicans

12 Democrats

0 Vacancies

Average Republican Score: 58%

(Down from 76% in 2021)

Average Democrat Score: 10%

(Down from 21% in 2021)



### HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Sen. Mayes Middleton (SD-11) | 87%



### LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICAN

Sen. Robert Nichols (SD-3) | 26%



### HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

Sen. Roland Gutierrez (SD-19) | 21%



### LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

Sen. Sarah Eckhardt (SD-14) | 3%

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<b>PRO-GROWTH POSITION</b>					N	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N		
<b>POINTS</b>					8	7	4	4	5	5	4	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	3	3	7	5	5	
Alvarado, Carol	SD-06	D	6%	18%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	27	
Bettencourt, Paul	SD-07	R	58%	71%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	3	7	-	5	7	
Birdwell, Brian	SD-22	R	43%	67%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	4	8	-	-	3	3	X	7	-	5	18	
Blanco, Cesar	SD-29	D	6%	12%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	27	
Campbell, Donna	SD-25	R	53%	68%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	3	7	-	-	13	
Creighton, Brandon	SD-04	R	58%	74%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	3	7	-	5	7	
Eckhardt, Sarah	SD-14	D	3%	2%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	3	-	-	-	-	-	31	
Flores, Peter	SD-24	R	53%	67%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	3	7	-	-	13	
Gutierrez, Roland	SD-19	D	21%	17%	8	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	20	
Hall, Bob	SD-02	R	84%	89%	-	7	-	4	5	5	-	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	3	7	5	5	2	
Hancock, Kelly	SD-09	R	58%	71%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	3	7	-	5	7	
Hinojosa, Juan	SD-20	D	16%	35%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	7	-	-	21	
Huffman, Joan	SD-17	R	53%	69%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	3	7	-	-	13	
Hughes, Bryan	SD-01	R	76%	79%	-	-	-	4	5	-	4	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	3	7	5	5	3	
Johnson, Nathan	SD-16	D	6%	17%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	27	
King, Phil	SD-10	R	62%	64%	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	3	7	-	5	5	
Kolkhorst, Lois	SD-18	R	67%	75%	-	7	-	4	-	-	-	3	9	4	8	-	6	3	3	3	7	5	5	4	
LaMantia, Morgan	SD-27	D	6%	6%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	27	
Menendez, Jose	SD-26	D	14%	18%	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	22	
Middleton, Mayes	SD-11	R	87%	91%	-	7	4	4	5	-	4	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	3	7	5	5	1	
Miles, Borris	SD-13	D	9%	19%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	-	-	-	25	

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Nichols, Robert	SD-03	R	26%	60%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	6	3	3	3	7	-	-	19	
Parker, Tan	SD-12	R	55%	61%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	3	9	4	8	-	6	3	3	3	7	-	5	12	
Paxton, Angela	SD-08	R	58%	73%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	3	7	-	5	7	
Perry, Charles	SD-28	R	51%	68%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	4	8	-	6	3	3	3	7	-	5	16	
Schwertner, Charles	SD-05	R	50%	66%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	3	9	4	8	-	6	3	3	3	7	-	-	17	
Sparks, Kevin	SD-31	R	57%	57%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	X	7	-	5	11	
Springer, Drew	SD-30	R	62%	71%	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	9	4	8	7	6	3	3	3	7	-	5	5	
West, Royce	SD-23	D	9%	23%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	3	-	-	-	25	
Whitmire, John	SD-15	D	14%	23%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	3	3	-	-	-	-	22	
Zaffirini, Judith	SD-21	D	10%	15%	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	24	

# Texas 2023 | Senate Vote Descriptions

## HB 1

### PROFLIGATE BIENNIAL BUDGET DEAL

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill allocates \$321.3 billion in spending for FY2024-25, the largest budget in state history. This is a 21.3 percent increase over the previous biennial budget. The legislation includes myriad agency and programmatic spending binges, including a 3,603 percent increase in land acquisition for park development equal to \$1 billion, \$46 billion for crony economic development initiatives, \$5 billion for a taxpayer-backed energy loan program, and \$1.5 billion for a broadband infrastructure boondoggle. The bill includes a 32 percent increase in general government spending, a 23 percent increase in health and human services spending, and an eye-popping 86 percent increase in agency spending for natural resources programs. The substantial increase in baseline spending threatens the long-term fiscal outlook of the state and saddles hardworking Texans with potential future tax-and-spend burdens. The Texas House passed the bill, 124-22, on May 27, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 29-2, on May 26, 2023.

## HB 5

### MASSIVE CORPORATE WELFARE

#### SWEETHEART DEAL

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill re-constitutes a significant corporate welfare scheme for big businesses and government-preferred industries. Specifically, the legislation allows school districts to grant property tax exemptions between 50 and 75 percent for large corporate entities over 10 years in exchange for meeting certain job-creation and capital investment eligibility criteria. Additionally, the bill provides a 100 percent exemption during the construction phase as an additional perverse incentive to entice large businesses to relocate to Texas. Lawmakers should not reward well-connected corporate interests with special tax carveouts at the expense of hardworking taxpayers and families. The Texas House passed the bill, 100-36, on May 28, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 26-5, on the same day.

## HB 9

### NEW BROADBAND SUBSIDY

#### BOONDOGGLE

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill creates the new Texas Broadband Infrastructure Fund to be administered by the Texas Comptroller's office. Specifically, the legislation authorizes new spending for the expansion of existing fiber and cable networks as well as new expansions at an estimated cost of \$5 billion. Broadband expansion is important, however, this legislation institutes a prohibitive cost for hard-working Texas families, disproportionately enriches companies like Comcast that lobbied heavily for the bill, and requires exorbitant taxpayer-funded appropriations to finance. Such development initiatives are better left to the private sector. The Texas House passed the bill, 134-8, on May 28, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 30-1, on the same day.

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### HB 1058

#### LOW-INCOME HOUSING SUBSIDY EXPANSION

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill creates a new state subsidy program on top of the existing federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program. Specifically, the legislation appropriates \$25 million in subsidies for well-connected building firms to acquire, construct, or rehabilitate government housing units. The federal LIHTC program is rife with fraud and due to the complexities of its welfare distribution model, prone to inefficiencies that increase overall costs, overly burden taxpayers, and reward middlemen. The Texas House passed the bill, 122-15, on May 25, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 25-6, on May 22, 2023.

### HB 1515

#### CRONY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EXTENSION

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill extends the Texas Economic Development and Tourism Office for another 12 years. Specifically, the legislation extends an expiring government agency whose sole

purpose is to dole out taxpayer money to well-connected entities for “travel promotion” and corporate welfare. Instead of reauthorizing and extending crony agencies for over a decade, lawmakers should focus on fostering a low tax and regulatory environment to attract both businesses and tourists to Texas. The Texas House passed the bill, 121-21, on May 25, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 28-3, on May 17, 2023.

### HB 1595

#### RAIDING RAINY DAY FUND FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill implements a massive new permanent spending stream for numerous public universities in Texas. Specifically, the legislation creates a taxpayer-funded endowment called the Texas University Fund that is ultimately funded through the state’s “rainy day” fund. This new mechanism is estimated to cost \$3.4 billion in a year where lawmakers allocated more than \$43 billion for higher education spending. Hardworking taxpayers and families, particularly those without college degrees, should not be forced

to subsidize universities. Further, lawmakers should not abuse and misuse the state’s rainy day fund as a means for permanent university funding. The Texas House passed the bill, 128-12, on May 28, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 30-1, on May 27, 2023.

### HB 2026

#### VETERINARIAN LOAN BAILOUT EXPANSION

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill expands a subsidized loan scheme for veterinarians. Specifically, the legislation expands the Rural Veterinarian Incentive Program by extending eligibility to out-of-state students and increases the definition of rural county from 100,000 to 150,000 residents. This program not only puts taxpayers on the hook for paying off the very loans they’re already subsidizing, but also operates as a central planning scheme for government bureaucrats to hand-pick where veterinarians should operate. The entire program should be abolished. The Texas House passed the bill, 118-26, on May 28, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 27-4, on May 27, 2023.

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### HB 2127

#### PREEMPTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATES

##### (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements across-the-board prohibitions on regulations imposed by state subdivisions and municipalities. Specifically, the legislation prohibits local governments from imposing any ordinance, regulation, or rule that conflicts with existing state regulations in the areas of agriculture, commerce, labor, and natural resources. Additionally, the bill provides a right of action for citizens harmed by overly burdensome municipal regulations. Both the federal government and local governments were created by the states. This measure protects hardworking Texans from additional mandates and burdensome regulations from local bureaucrats. The Texas House passed the bill, 84-58, on May 19, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 18-13, on May 16, 2023.

### SB 1

#### TRANSFORMATIVE EDUCATION SAVINGS ACCOUNT BILL

##### (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements a universal ESA program for all K-12 students in Texas. Specifically, the legislation provides for tax dollars to follow students to a school of their parents' or guardians' choice—including private education. Parents will have access to roughly \$8,000 per year to use for tuition, books, tutoring, and other related education expenses. Additionally, if demand exceeds appropriations, the program enacts a lottery system to prioritize low-income households at or below 500 percent of the federal poverty level to qualify for the new ESA. Students should not be subjected to failing government schools. This legislation empowers parents and children with better options that advance opportunity and improve educational outcomes. The Texas Senate passed the bill, 18-13, on October 12, 2023. The Texas House did not take it up.

### SB 17

#### DISMANTLING TAXPAYER-FUNDED DEI INFRASTRUCTURE

##### (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill prohibits public universities and colleges in Texas from operating discriminatory Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) offices. Specifically, the legislation prohibits higher education institutions that receive taxpayer money from funding or operating woke DEI offices and programs that promote race essentialism. Additionally, the bill prohibits these universities from spending any appropriations until they have certified compliance with this prohibition and also subjects them to periodic inspections from the Texas State Auditor's office. Hardworking Texans should not be compelled to fund a bureaucracy that engages in explicit discrimination and espouses neo-Marxist concepts. The Texas House passed the bill, 82-61, on May 28, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 19-12, on the same day.

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### SB 175

#### PROHIBITING TAXPAYER-FUNDED LOBBYING

##### (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill protects taxpayers through a prohibition on taxpayer-funded lobbying. Specifically, the legislation bans municipalities and other political subdivisions from using taxpayer money to lobby the state legislature. This common-sense reform protects hardworking households and families from funding their local government to lobby for more taxpayer-backed benefits that ultimately harm or increase financial burdens on the people the municipality represents. The Texas Senate passed the bill, 19-12, on April 6, 2023. The Texas House did not take it up.

### SB 258

#### ELECTRICITY PRICE HIKE MANDATE

##### (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill empowers the Public Utility Commission to increase energy costs for consumers. Specifically, the legislation authorizes the commission to achieve an annual 1 percent energy savings goal by 2030 in addition to existing energy efficiency mandates. Estimates suggest

that this new mandate would increase energy costs for Texas households and consumers by a minimum of \$270 million over the next three years. Texas continues to face grid stability issues due to the increasing burdens foisted on it by unreliable and unaffordable green energy mandates. The Texas Senate passed the bill, 18-13, on May 2, 2023. The Texas House did not take it up.

### SB 369

#### TAXPAYER PROTECTION DISANNEXATION TRIGGER

##### (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements significant protections for taxpayers and residents who are not receiving full city services. Specifically, the legislation authorizes a new process for property owners to pressure their municipalities to provide fire, police, EMS, and wastewater services. Failure to respond and implement a course of action within 60 days subjects the municipality to a potential vote from property owners to disannex their area from the city. This is an important protection for residents who are represented by radical ideologues at the local level to force

essential city services, paid for by taxpayers, to be provided. The Texas Senate passed it, 18-12, on May 10, 2023. The Texas House did not take it up.

### SB 773

#### MODEST MEDICAL FREEDOM EXPANSION

##### (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill builds on previous legislation and further empowers patients with access to new medications, medical devices, and biologics. Specifically, the legislation expands the “right to try” new medicines beyond patients with terminal illnesses to include those with severe chronic diseases as well. This expansion allows chronically ill patients, in coordination with their doctors, to try investigational medications that have completed Phase I clinical trials without FDA approval. Additionally, the bill protects doctors who approve the use of such medications from frivolous lawsuits. This legislation empowers patients and physicians over bureaucrats. The Texas House passed the bill, 135-5, on May 12, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 31-0, on April 27, 2023.

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### SB 1017

#### PREEMPTING MUNICIPAL ENERGY REGULATIONS

##### (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill preempts local governments from implementing ordinances that ban or restrict the sale and use of engines based on a particular fuel type. Specifically, the legislation prohibits political subdivisions from implementing regulations that restrict access to a particular energy source or prohibit the development and use of energy infrastructure based on the type of energy being used. Some municipal governments across the country have attempted to force costly Green New Deal-style mandates on their citizens that curb reliable energy in favor of expensive and unreliable solar and wind power. This measure protects hardworking Texans from that emerging threat. The Texas House passed the bill, 116-30, on April 25, 2023. The Texas Senate Passed it, 29-2, on April 5, 2023.

### SB 1252

#### BOND TRANSPARENCY REQUIREMENTS (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements changes to ballot propositions for bond elections. Specifically, the legislation requires that any bond language specify the amount of tax revenue being sought, the maximum tax rate change, and clearly state to prospective voters in clear and large font that the bond is a tax increase. This is an important taxpayer protection mechanism that erases often muddled and confusing language designed to tilt the scales in favor of raising taxes on hardworking Texans. The Texas Senate passed the bill, 20-9, on April 20, 2023. The Texas House did not take it up.

### SB 1600

#### PROHIBITION ON NON-CITIZENS DRIVING ECONOMIC POLICIES

##### (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill prohibits non-citizens from voting in elections in Texas. Specifically, the legislation requires proof of citizenship for individuals to register to vote and proof of citizenship within the verification process needed to determine

eligibility. This legislation is a necessary foundational safeguard to prevent Texans from having policy decisions on everything from taxes to infrastructure driven by foreign entities and non-citizens. There is no legitimate argument to oppose this bill. The Texas Senate passed the bill, 20-11, on April 18, 2023. The Texas House killed the bill in committee.

### SB 2325

#### MAJOR EVENTS SLUSH FUND EXPANSION (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands the eligibility of recipients under the Major Events Reimbursement Fund. Specifically, the legislation expands eligibility to include the World Cup, Bassmaster fishing events, the Country Music Television awards, and the Formula One Grand Prix. The total cost to taxpayers cannot be determined due to a lack of appropriations and a lack of specific information provided by prospective recipients. Hardworking taxpayers should not be forced to pay for corporate welfare to host major events in Texas. The Texas House passed the bill, 102-38, on May 23, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 27-4, on April 26, 2023.

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## SB 2453

### SIGNIFICANT ENERGY EFFICIENCY

#### MANDATES

#### (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill imposes a massive new energy efficiency regulatory scheme on new homes and commercial buildings. Specifically, the legislation empowers the State Energy Conservation Office (SECO) to adopt international energy efficiency standards for new construction without legislative approval. In an environment marked by persistently high inflation, these mandates will increase housing and construction costs, further harming hardworking taxpayers and businesses while empowering bureaucracies in the name of a destructive green agenda. The Texas House passed the bill, 84-59, on May 24, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 17-14, on May 26, 2023.

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150 MEMBERS

# Texas House Snapshot

83 Republicans

67 Democrats

0 Vacancies

Average Republican Score: 48%

(Down from 64% in 2021)

Average Democrat Score: 14%

(No change from 14% in 2021)



## HIGHEST-RATED REPUBLICANS

(From left)

Rep. Brian Harrison (HD-10) | 100%

Rep. Matt Schaefer (HD-6) | 100%

Rep. Tony Tinderholt (HD-94) | 100%



## LOWEST-RATED REPUBLICANS

(From left)

Rep. Steve Allison (HD-121) | 17%

Rep. Drew Darby (HD-72) | 17%



## HIGHEST-RATED DEMOCRATS

(From left)

Rep. Jarvis Johnson (HD-139) | 25%

Rep. Ray Lopez (HD-125) | 25%



## LOWEST-RATED DEMOCRAT

Rep. Chris Turner (HD-101) | 3%

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<b>POINTS</b>					9	8	4	4	7	4	4	5	5	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	
Allen, Alma	HD-131	D	18%	23%	-	-	X	4	7	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	97
Allison, Steve	HD-121	R	17%	38%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	-	-	102
Anchia, Rafael	HD-103	D	8%	12%	-	-	X	4	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	137
Anderson, Charles	HD-056	R	39%	50%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	-	4	3	3	-	5	45
Andrews Bowers, Rhetta	HD-113	D	22%	24%	-	8	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	84
Ashby, Trent	HD-009	R	30%	46%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	-	-	66
Bailes, Ernest	HD-018	R	25%	43%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	-	4	3	3	-	-	77
Bell, Cecil	HD-003	R	53%	63%	9	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	28
Bell, Keith	HD-004	R	35%	51%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	-	5	53
Bernal, Diego	HD-123	D	11%	10%	-	-	-	4	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	119
Bhojani, Salman	HD-092	D	11%	11%	-	-	-	4	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	3	3	-	-	119
Bonnen, Greg	HD-024	R	51%	60%	9	-	-	4	-	-	X	5	-	-	3	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	-	5	33
Bryant, John	HD-114	D	18%	18%	-	8	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	97
Buckley, Brad	HD-054	R	47%	56%	X	-	-	4	-	-	-	5	-	-	3	-	X	8	5	4	3	3	-	5	37
Bucy, John	HD-136	D	7%	10%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	141
Bumgarner, Ben	HD-063	R	53%	53%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	28
Burns, DeWayne	HD-058	R	35%	59%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	-	5	53
Burrows, Dustin	HD-083	R	34%	49%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	-	4	3	3	-	-	58
Cain, Briscoe	HD-128	R	91%	90%	9	-	4	4	X	4	4	5	5	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	4
Campos, Elizabeth	HD-119	D	19%	17%	-	8	-	4	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	95
Canales, Terry	HD-040	D	20%	25%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	5	94

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<b>POINTS</b>					9	8	4	4	7	4	4	5	5	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	
Capriglione, Giovanni	HD-098	R	36%	54%	9	-	X	4	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	-	5	49
Chen Button, Angie	HD-112	R	26%	40%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	-	-	71
Clardy, Travis	HD-011	R	36%	41%	-	-	-	4	-	-	4	-	5	-	3	-	-	-	5	4	3	3	-	5	49
Cole, Sheryl	HD-046	D	10%	14%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	124
Collier, Nicole	HD-095	D	14%	16%	-	-	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	108
Cook, David	HD-096	R	34%	51%	X	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	-	-	8	-	4	-	3	-	5	58
Cortez, Philip	HD-117	D	10%	21%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	124
Craddick, Tom	HD-082	R	53%	59%	9	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	28
Cunningham, Charles	HD-127	R	44%	44%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	-	4	3	3	5	5	41
Darby, Drew	HD-072	R	17%	37%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	-	-	102
Davis, Yvonne	HD-111	D	15%	14%	-	8	X	4	X	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	105
Dean, Jay	HD-007	R	40%	52%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	5	5	8	-	4	3	3	5	-	44
DeAyala, Mano	HD-133	R	48%	48%	X	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	-	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	-	36
Dorazio, Mark	HD-122	R	58%	58%	9	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	-	5	24
Dutton, Harold	HD-142	D	11%	20%	X	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	119
Flores, Lulu	HD-051	D	18%	18%	-	8	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	97
Frank, James	HD-069	R	32%	53%	9	-	X	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	5	-	61
Frazier, Frederick	HD-061	R	31%	31%	X	-	X	4	X	X	-	-	X	-	3	-	-	8	-	X	3	3	-	-	63
Gamez, Erin	HD-038	D	10%	10%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	124
Garcia, Josey	HD-124	D	13%	13%	-	-	-	4	X	X	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	X	3	3	-	-	114
Gates, Gary	HD-028	R	68%	71%	9	-	4	4	X	-	-	5	-	-	3	-	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	15
Gerdes, Stan	HD-017	R	53%	53%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	28



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Geren, Charlie	HD-099	R	25%	38%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	-	4	X	3	X	X	77
Gervin-Hawkins, Barbara	HD-120	D	17%	17%	-	-	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	102
Goldman, Craig	HD-097	R	43%	50%	9	-	-	4	-	X	-	-	X	-	3	-	-	8	-	4	3	3	-	5	43
Gonzalez, Jessica	HD-104	D	22%	13%	-	8	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	84
Gonzalez, Mary	HD-075	D	15%	9%	-	-	X	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	105
Goodwin, Vikki	HD-047	D	22%	13%	-	8	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	84
Guerra, Bobby	HD-041	D	10%	24%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	124
Guillen, Ryan	HD-031	R	27%	27%	9	-	X	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	-	-	70
Harless, Sam	HD-126	R	26%	48%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	-	-	71
Harris, Caroline	HD-052	R	54%	54%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	27
Harris, Cody	HD-008	R	59%	63%	X	-	-	4	-	-	-	5	-	4	3	-	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	23
Harrison, Brian	HD-010	R	100%	100%	9	8	4	4	7	4	4	5	5	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	1
Hayes, Richard	HD-057	R	76%	76%	9	8	-	4	-	-	-	-	5	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	13
Hefner, Cole	HD-005	R	63%	76%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	5	-	4	3	5	-	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	21
Hernandez, Ana	HD-143	D	10%	16%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	124
Herrero, Abel	HD-034	D	n/a	20%	-	X	-	4	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	X	X	X	3	X	-	
Hinojosa, Gina	HD-049	D	24%	16%	-	8	-	4	7	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	X	-	-	81
Holland, Justin	HD-033	R	33%	60%	-	-	-	4	-	-	X	-	-	-	3	-	X	8	-	4	3	3	-	5	60
Howard, Donna	HD-048	D	10%	7%	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	124
Hull, Lacey	HD-138	R	68%	72%	9	-	-	4	X	-	-	-	-	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	15
Hunter, Todd	HD-032	R	26%	40%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	-	-	71
Isaac, Carrie	HD-073	R	83%	83%	9	-	4	4	7	-	4	5	-	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	7

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Jetton, Jacey	HD-026	R	36%	43%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	X	4	3	3	-	-	49
Johnson, Ann	HD-134	D	8%	12%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	X	X	137
Johnson, Jarvis	HD-139	D	25%	22%	-	8	-	-	7	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	X	3	-	-	77
Johnson, Julie	HD-115	D	15%	19%	-	8	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	105
Jones, Jolanda	HD-147	D	14%	14%	-	-	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	108
Jones, Venton	HD-100	D	7%	7%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	141
Kacal, Kyle	HD-012	R	22%	38%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	-	5	84
King, Ken	HD-088	R	30%	42%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	-	4	3	3	-	5	66
King, Tracy	HD-080	D	10%	18%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	124
Kitzman, Stan	HD-085	R	46%	46%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	38
Klick, Stephanie	HD-091	R	49%	57%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	35
Kuempel, John	HD-044	R	35%	45%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	5	-	53
Lalani, Suleman	HD-076	D	11%	11%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	3	3	-	-	119
Lambert, Stan	HD-071	R	21%	39%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	X	4	X	3	-	5	93
Landgraf, Brooks	HD-081	R	35%	62%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	-	4	3	3	5	5	53
Leach, Jeff	HD-067	R	46%	61%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	X	-	-	3	-	5	8	-	4	3	3	-	5	38
Leo-Wilson, Terri	HD-023	R	81%	81%	9	-	-	4	7	4	4	5	X	4	3	X	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	-	9
Longoria, Oscar	HD-035	D	11%	14%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	3	3	X	-	119
Lopez, Janie	HD-037	R	26%	26%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	-	-	71
Lopez, Ray	HD-125	D	25%	21%	-	8	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	77
Lozano, J. M.	HD-043	R	26%	43%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	-	-	71
Lujan, John	HD-118	R	30%	30%	X	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	5	4	3	3	-	5	66

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Manuel, Christian	HD-022	D	14%	14%	-	-	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	108
Martinez Fischer, Trey	HD-116	D	24%	15%	-	8	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	X	-	X	81
Martinez, Armando	HD-039	D	10%	14%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	124
Metcalf, Will	HD-016	R	68%	64%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	5	-	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	15
Meyer, Morgan	HD-108	R	31%	45%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	-	5	63
Meza, Terry	HD-105	D	18%	14%	-	8	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	97
Moody, Joe	HD-078	D	4%	16%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	146
Morales Shaw, Penny	HD-148	D	8%	11%	-	-	-	4	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	3	-	-	-	137
Morales, Christina	HD-145	D	22%	17%	-	8	4	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	84
Morales, Eddie	HD-074	D	13%	22%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	114
Morrison, Geanie	HD-030	R	26%	41%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	-	-	71
Munoz, Sergio	HD-036	D	22%	24%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	84
Murr, Andrew	HD-053	R	37%	63%	-	-	-	4	-	-	X	X	-	-	3	5	-	8	-	4	3	3	X	X	47
Neave Criado, Victoria	HD-107	D	10%	14%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	124
Noble, Candy	HD-089	R	53%	64%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	-	5	8	-	4	3	3	5	5	28
Oliverson, Tom	HD-130	R	62%	67%	9	X	X	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	5	8	5	4	X	3	5	-	22
Ordaz, Claudia	HD-079	D	10%	12%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	124
Orr, Angelia	HD-013	R	36%	36%	-	-	X	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	-	5	49
Ortega, Lina	HD-077	D	7%	8%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	141
Patterson, Jared	HD-106	R	66%	79%	9	-	-	4	-	-	X	X	-	X	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	X	5	18
Paul, Dennis	HD-129	R	51%	59%	9	-	X	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	5	-	8	5	4	3	3	-	5	33
Perez, Mary Ann	HD-144	D	10%	21%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	124

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<b>PRO-GROWTH POSITION</b>					N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	
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Phelan, Dade	HD-021	R	n/a	59%	X	-	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Plesa, Mihaela	HD-070	D	14%	14%	-	-	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	108
Price, Four	HD-087	R	31%	49%	-	-	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	5	4	3	3	-	5	63
Ramos, Ana-Maria	HD-102	D	22%	11%	-	8	4	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	84
Raney, John	HD-014	R	18%	39%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	X	-	4	3	3	-	-	97
Raymond, Richard Pena	HD-042	D	13%	24%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	114
Reynolds, Ron	HD-027	D	19%	16%	-	8	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	95
Rogers, Glenn	HD-060	R	37%	46%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	X	8	5	4	3	3	-	5	47
Romero, Ramon	HD-090	D	7%	15%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	X	-	-	141
Rose, Toni	HD-110	D	8%	14%	-	-	-	4	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	137
Rosenthal, Jon	HD-135	D	22%	17%	-	8	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	84
Schaefer, Matt	HD-006	R	100%	93%	9	8	4	4	7	4	4	5	5	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	1
Schatzline, Nate	HD-093	R	91%	91%	9	-	4	4	7	4	X	5	5	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	X	X	4
Schofield, Mike	HD-132	R	66%	67%	9	-	4	4	-	-	4	5	-	4	3	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	18
Shaheen, Matt	HD-066	R	78%	83%	9	-	-	4	X	X	4	5	X	X	3	-	5	8	5	X	3	3	5	5	12
Sherman, Carl	HD-109	D	23%	17%	-	8	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	-	X	-	-	-	83
Shine, Hugh	HD-055	R	22%	45%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	-	4	3	3	5	-	84
Slaton, Bryan	HD-002	R	n/a	98%	X	I	4	4	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	5	5	X	I	I	I	3	I	I	
Slawson, Shelby	HD-059	R	73%	82%	X	-	-	4	-	-	4	5	X	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	14
Smith, Reggie	HD-062	R	32%	60%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	5	-	5	4	3	3	-	5	61
Smithee, John	HD-086	R	45%	54%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	5	X	5	4	3	3	-	5	40
Spiller, David	HD-068	R	56%	66%	-	-	-	4	-	-	4	-	-	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	X	5	26

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Stucky, Lynn	HD-064	R	44%	59%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	5	-	8	5	4	3	3	-	-	41
Swanson, Valoree	HD-150	R	82%	82%	9	-	4	4	7	4	4	5	5	4	3	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	8
Talarico, James	HD-050	D	14%	13%	-	-	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	108
Tepper, Carl	HD-084	R	58%	58%	9	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	4	3	-	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	24
Thierry, Shawn	HD-146	D	10%	18%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	124
Thimesch, Kronda	HD-065	R	38%	38%	X	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	5	4	3	3	-	5	46
Thompson, Ed	HD-029	R	28%	48%	X	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	X	-	X	-	4	3	3	-	5	69
Thompson, Senfronia	HD-141	D	12%	18%	-	X	-	4	-	-	X	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-	117
Tinderholt, Tony	HD-094	R	100%	94%	9	8	4	4	7	4	4	5	5	4	X	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	1
Toth, Steve	HD-015	R	84%	83%	9	-	4	4	7	4	4	5	5	4	3	5	5	-	5	4	3	3	5	5	6
Troxclair, Ellen	HD-019	R	66%	66%	9	-	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	18
Turner, Chris	HD-101	D	3%	13%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	147
VanDeaver, Gary	HD-001	R	35%	49%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	8	-	4	3	3	5	5	53
Vasut, Cody	HD-025	R	81%	85%	9	-	4	4	-	-	4	5	5	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	9
Vo, Hubert	HD-149	D	7%	10%	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	141
Walle, Armando	HD-140	D	12%	13%	-	-	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	X	-	X	-	-	-	117
Wilson, Terry	HD-020	R	81%	84%	9	-	4	4	-	-	4	5	5	4	3	5	5	8	5	4	3	3	5	5	9
Wu, Gene	HD-137	D	10%	14%	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	124
Zwiener, Erin	HD-045	D	14%	11%	-	-	-	4	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	108

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## HB 1 AMDT 45

### SCHOOL CHOICE FUNDING PROHIBITION (CFGF OPPOSES)

This amendment prohibits any funds within the state general budget from being used to advance school choice programs. Specifically, the amendment prohibits the use of state funds for education savings accounts (ESAs), vouchers, tax credit scholarship programs, or direct grants that would allow a child to utilize their per-pupil allocations to pay for tuition, books, or other needs to attend a school of their choice. The Texas House adopted the amendment, 86-52, on April 6, 2023. The Texas Senate did not take it up.

## HB 1

### PROFLIGATE BIENNIAL BUDGET DEAL (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill allocates \$321.3 billion in spending for FY2024-25, the largest budget in state history. This is a 21.3 percent increase over the previous biennial budget. The legislation includes myriad agency and programmatic spending

binges, including a 3,603 percent increase in land acquisition for park development equal to \$1 billion, \$46 billion for crony economic development initiatives, \$5 billion for a taxpayer-backed energy loan program, and \$1.5 billion for a broadband infrastructure boondoggle. The bill includes a 32 percent increase in general government spending, a 23 percent increase in health and human services spending, and an eye-popping 86 percent increase in agency spending for natural resources programs. The substantial increase in baseline spending threatens the long-term fiscal outlook of the state and saddles hardworking Texans with potential future tax-and-spend burdens. The Texas House passed the bill, 124-22, on May 27, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 29-2, on May 26, 2023.

## HB 2 AMDT 1

### TABLING EXPANDED PROPERTY TAX RELIEF

#### (CFGF OPPOSES)

This amendment provides substantial property tax relief for Texas taxpayers beyond the

scope of the base legislation. Specifically, the amendment implements an across-the-board compressed tax rate for all districts equal to \$20 billion to deliver on the pre-session promise of historic property tax relief. The Texas House tabled the amendment, 118-20, on April 13, 2023. The Texas Senate did not take it up.

## HB 2

### PROPERTY TAX INCREASE PROTECTIONS (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill implements some provisions to limit increases in property taxes. Specifically, the legislation reduces the personal property appraisal cap from 10 percent to five percent and expands the appraisal cap to include commercial properties like restaurants and apartment complexes. Additionally, the bill compresses the maintenance and operations portion of property taxes by 0.15 cents. In total, estimates suggest that this approach would save hardworking taxpayers some \$12 billion over the biennium. Overall, this is a much-

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needed relief, however, it falls short of the record property tax cuts promised before the legislative session and includes no pathway for eliminating property taxes. The Texas House passed the bill, 140-9, on April 13, 2023. The Texas Senate did not take it up.

### HB 5

#### MASSIVE CORPORATE WELFARE

#### SWEETHEART DEAL

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill re-constitutes a significant corporate welfare scheme for big businesses and government-preferred industries. Specifically, the legislation allows school districts to grant property tax exemptions between 50 and 75 percent for large corporate entities over 10 years in exchange for meeting certain job-creation and capital investment eligibility criteria. Additionally, the bill provides a 100 percent exemption during the construction phase as an additional perverse incentive to entice large businesses to relocate to Texas. Lawmakers should not reward well-connected corporate interests with special tax carveouts at the expense of hardworking taxpayers and

families. The Texas House passed the bill, 100-36, on May 28, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 26-5, on the same day.

### HB 9

#### NEW BROADBAND SUBSIDY

#### BOONDOGGLE

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill creates the new Texas Broadband Infrastructure Fund to be administered by the Texas Comptroller's office. Specifically, the legislation authorizes new spending for the expansion of existing fiber and cable networks as well as new expansions at an estimated cost of \$5 billion. Broadband expansion is important, however, this legislation institutes a prohibitive cost for hard-working Texas families, disproportionately enriches companies like Comcast that lobbied heavily for the bill, and requires exorbitant taxpayer-funded appropriations to finance. Such development initiatives are better left to the private sector. The Texas House passed the bill, 134-8, on May 28, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 30-1, on the same day.

### HB 1058

#### LOW-INCOME HOUSING SUBSIDY EXPANSION

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill creates a new state subsidy program on top of the existing federal Low-Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) program. Specifically, the legislation appropriates \$25 million in subsidies for well-connected building firms to acquire, construct, or rehabilitate government housing units. The federal LIHTC program is rife with fraud and due to the complexities of its welfare distribution model, prone to inefficiencies that increase overall costs, overly burden taxpayers, and reward middlemen. The Texas House passed the bill, 122-15, on May 25, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 25-6, on May 22, 2023.

### HB 1515

#### CRONY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT EXTENSION

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill extends the Texas Economic Development and Tourism Office for another 12 years. Specifically, the legislation extends an expiring government agency whose sole

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purpose is to dole out taxpayer money to well-connected entities for “travel promotion” and corporate welfare. Instead of reauthorizing and extending crony agencies for over a decade, lawmakers should focus on fostering a low tax and regulatory environment to attract both businesses and tourists to Texas. The Texas House passed the bill, 121-21, on May 25, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 28-3, on May 17, 2023.

### HB 1595

#### RAIDING RAINY DAY FUND FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill implements a massive new permanent spending stream for numerous public universities in Texas. Specifically, the legislation creates a taxpayer-funded endowment called the Texas University Fund that is ultimately funded through the state’s “rainy day” fund. This new mechanism is estimated to cost \$3.4 billion in a year where lawmakers allocated more than \$43 billion for higher education spending. Hardworking taxpayers and families, particularly those without college degrees, should not be forced

to subsidize universities. Further, lawmakers should not abuse and misuse the state’s rainy day fund as a means for permanent university funding. The Texas House passed the bill, 128-12, on May 28, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 30-1, on May 27, 2023.

### HB 2026

#### VETERINARIAN LOAN BAILOUT EXPANSION

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill expands a subsidized loan scheme for veterinarians. Specifically, the legislation expands the Rural Veterinarian Incentive Program by extending eligibility to out-of-state students and increases the definition of rural county from 100,000 to 150,000 residents. This program not only puts taxpayers on the hook for paying off the very loans they’re already subsidizing, but also operates as a central planning scheme for government bureaucrats to hand-pick where veterinarians should operate. The entire program should be abolished. The Texas House passed the bill, 118-26, on May 28, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 27-4, on May 27, 2023.

### HB 2127

#### PREEMPTING LOCAL GOVERNMENT MANDATES

**(CFGF SUPPORTS)**

This bill implements across-the-board prohibitions on regulations imposed by state subdivisions and municipalities. Specifically, the legislation prohibits local governments from imposing any ordinance, regulation, or rule that conflicts with existing state regulations in the areas of agriculture, commerce, labor, and natural resources. Additionally, the bill provides a right of action for citizens harmed by overly burdensome municipal regulations. Both the federal government and local governments were created by the states. This measure protects hardworking Texans from additional mandates and burdensome regulations from local bureaucrats. The Texas House passed the bill, 84-58, on May 19, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 18-13, on May 16, 2023.

### HB 2337

#### INCREMENTAL MEDICAID EXPANSION

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill implements a partial expansion of

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Medicaid to cover additional mental health and behavioral health services at an estimated cost increase of \$12.3 million over the next five years. Medicaid spending constitutes nearly 25 percent of the Texas state budget. The program routinely results in worse patient outcomes and overall lower quality of care due to low provider participation. Lawmakers should continue implementing policies that reduce enrollment in the program, empower patients over bureaucrats, and reduce costs for hardworking taxpayers. The Texas House passed the bill, 124-23, on April 28, 2023. The Texas Senate did not take it up.

### HB 2466

#### NEW CORPORATE SUBSIDY PROGRAM

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill creates the Texas Technology and Innovation Program. Specifically, the legislation creates a new state subsidy program to either match or supplement the federal small business innovation and technology grant programs operated by the Small Business Administration. While the total cost of this program is indeterminate, Texas businesses

received \$242 million through the federal program in 2022. This suggests that similar eligibility criteria would leave Texas taxpayers on the hook for hundreds of millions in new corporate welfare subsidies. The Texas House passed the bill, 113-31, on April 26, 2023. The Texas Senate did not take it up.

### HB 3771

#### MASSIVE NEW CHILDCARE SUBSIDY SCHEME

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill creates a massive new employer child-care contribution program to coerce employers into implementing costly new taxpayer-funded benefits. Specifically, the legislation requires participating employers to pay at least 20 percent of an employee's child-care costs with the state providing a match for contributed funds. Additionally, the bill is estimated to contain a minimum of \$10 million in administrative costs through 2028 with an unknown total cost from state matching funds to cover this new permanent taxpayer-funded benefit. Depending on the employer and business, participating employers could

potentially pass on the costs of covering this new benefit to consumers and customers with commensurate wage reductions for employees. The Texas House passed the bill, 83-61, on May 8, 2023. The Texas Senate did not take it up.

### HB 4433

#### CRONY PROPERTY TAX CARVEOUT

**(CFGF OPPOSES)**

This bill implements a new special property tax carve-out scheme for hand-selected counties and political subdivisions. Specifically, the legislation allows municipalities that have implemented "reinvestment zones" to utilize the tax increment financing scheme to subsidize "legacy homeowners" who have owned their homes for at least seven years and experienced property tax increases. This bill gives power to local boards to directly subsidize property tax payments for hand-selected individuals over 10 years to "offset" significant property tax increases, creating a divisive dynamic wherein localities determine winners and losers at the expense of hardworking taxpayers. Instead of flagrant cronyism, lawmakers should lower taxes and decrease spending across the board to

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reduce onerous government burdens on Texans. The Texas House passed the bill, 90-50, on May 12, 2023. The Texas Senate did not take it up.

### SB 17

#### DISMANTLING TAXPAYER-FUNDED DEI INFRASTRUCTURE

##### (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill prohibits public universities and colleges in Texas from operating discriminatory Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion (DEI) offices. Specifically, the legislation prohibits higher education institutions that receive taxpayer money from funding or operating woke DEI offices and programs that promote race essentialism. Additionally, the bill prohibits these universities from spending any appropriations until they have certified compliance with this prohibition and also subjects them to periodic inspections from the Texas State Auditor's office. Hardworking Texans should not be compelled to fund a bureaucracy that engages in explicit discrimination and espouses neo-Marxist concepts. The Texas House passed the bill, 82-61, on May 28, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 19-12, on the same day.

### SB 773

#### MODEST MEDICAL FREEDOM EXPANSION (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill builds on previous legislation and further empowers patients with access to new medications, medical devices, and biologics. Specifically, the legislation expands the "right to try" new medicines beyond patients with terminal illnesses to include those with severe chronic diseases as well. This expansion allows chronically ill patients, in coordination with their doctors, to try investigational medications that have completed Phase I clinical trials without FDA approval. Additionally, the bill protects doctors who approve the use of such medications from frivolous lawsuits. This legislation empowers patients and physicians over bureaucrats. The Texas House passed the bill, 135-5, on May 12, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 31-0, on April 27, 2023.

### SB 1017

#### PREEMPTING MUNICIPAL ENERGY REGULATIONS

##### (CFGF SUPPORTS)

This bill preempts local governments from

implementing ordinances that ban or restrict the sale and use of engines based on a particular fuel type. Specifically, the legislation prohibits political subdivisions from implementing regulations that restrict access to a particular energy source or prohibit the development and use of energy infrastructure based on the type of energy being used. Some municipal governments across the country have attempted to force costly Green New Deal-style mandates on their citizens that curb reliable energy in favor of expensive and unreliable solar and wind power. This measure protects hardworking Texans from that emerging threat. The Texas House passed the bill, 116-30, on April 25, 2023. The Texas Senate Passed it, 29-2, on April 5, 2023.

### SB 2325

#### MAJOR EVENTS SLUSH FUND EXPANSION (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill expands the eligibility of recipients under the Major Events Reimbursement Fund. Specifically, the legislation expands eligibility to include the World Cup, Bassmaster fishing events, the Country Music Television awards,

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and the Formula One Grand Prix. The total cost to taxpayers cannot be determined due to a lack of appropriations and a lack of specific information provided by prospective recipients. Hardworking taxpayers should not be forced to pay for corporate welfare to host major events in Texas. The Texas House passed the bill, 102-38, on May 23, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 27-4, on April 26, 2023.

### SB 2453

#### SIGNIFICANT ENERGY EFFICIENCY MANDATES

#### (CFGF OPPOSES)

This bill imposes a massive new energy efficiency regulatory scheme on new homes and commercial buildings. Specifically, the legislation empowers the State Energy Conservation Office (SECO) to adopt international energy efficiency standards for new construction without legislative approval. In an environment marked by persistently high inflation, these mandates will increase housing and construction costs, further harming hardworking taxpayers and businesses while empowering bureaucracies in the name of a

destructive green agenda. The Texas House passed the bill, 84-59, on May 24, 2023. The Texas Senate passed it, 17-14, on May 26, 2023.

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