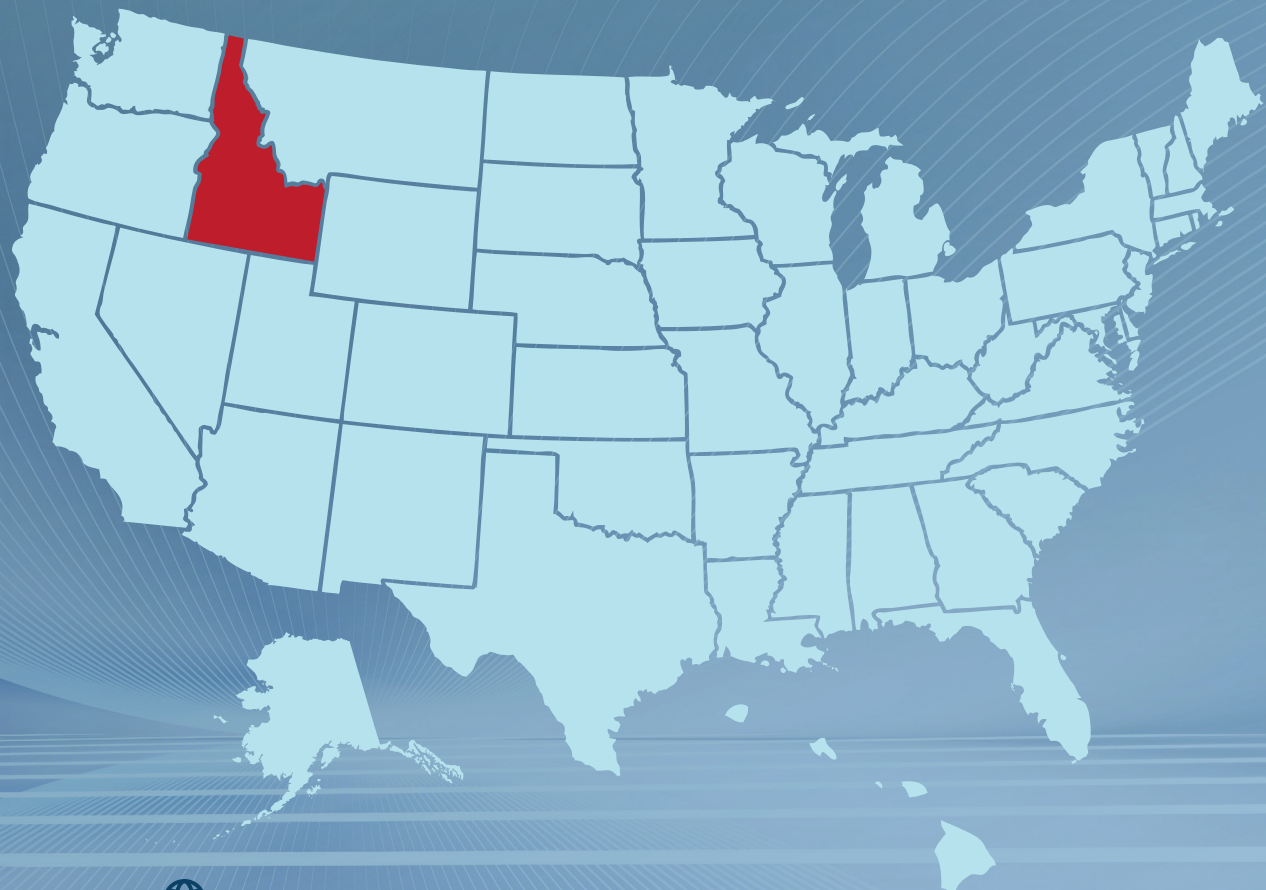




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## LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Dear Fellow Conservative,

The American Conservative Union Foundation is proud to present our ratings of the 2018 meeting of the Idaho Legislature. Like our *Ratings of Congress*, which date back 47 years, our state ratings are meant to reflect how elected officials view the role of government in an individual's life. We begin with our philosophy, i.e., conservatism is the political philosophy that sovereignty resides in the person, and then apply our understanding of government (its essential role is to defend Life, Liberty and Property).

Because our ratings are designed to educate the public about how consistently elected officials adhere to conservatism, we carefully examine the entire docket of legislation introduced in each state every year. We select the most meaningful bills and publish the results after the dust has settled. ACUF state ratings—launched in 2011 with ratings for five states—have become a nationally recognized resource for evaluating over 8,000 elected officials comprising each of America's 99 state legislative chambers.

Each election cycle, Tennesseans choose leaders whose vision for the state most closely matches their own, hoping that candidates' promises will be kept. ACUF's ratings measure whether those promises were fulfilled or forsaken. With nearly a decade of data on state legislators' voting records and average scores for every legislative chamber, citizens in every state can assess how effectively their lawmakers have applied conservative philosophy to the role of government.

We at ACUF believe, as Ronald Reagan once said, that freedom is never more than one generation away from extinction. We hope that by providing this unique tool, these ratings will empower Americans to exercise their right to protect our unique American democracy from tyranny.

Sincerely,

Matt Schlapp  
Chairman  
American Conservative Union  
Foundation



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## SELECTING THE VOTES

ACU researched and selected a range of bills before the Idaho Legislature that determine a member's adherence to conservative principles. We selected bills that focus on Ronald Reagan's philosophy of the "three-legged stool": **1) fiscal and economic:** taxes, budgets, regulation, spending, healthcare, and property; **2) social and cultural:** 2nd amendment, religion, life, welfare, and education; and **3) government integrity:** voting, individual liberty, privacy, and transparency. This wide range of issues are designed to give citizens an accurate assessment that conveys which of Idaho's elected leaders best defend the principles of a free society: Life, Liberty and Property.

### The ACUF Legislative Ratings Team

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## 2018 WINNERS & LOSERS

### 90-100% AWARD FOR CONSERVATIVE EXCELLENCE

#### SENATE

FOREMAN  
NONINI  
POTTS  
VICK

#### HOUSE

BARBIERI	HARRIS	SCOTT
CHEATHAM	MENDIVE	SHEPHERD
DEMORDAUNT	MONKS	ZITO
GESTRIN	MOON	ZOLLINGER
GIDDINGS	NATE	
HANKS	PALMER	

### 80-89% AWARD FOR CONSERVATIVE ACHIEVEMENT

#### SENATE

BAIR  
BAYER  
DEN HARTOG  
HARRIS

#### HOUSE

ARMSTRONG	HOLTZCLAW
BOYLE	LUKER
CHANEY	MOYLE
CRANE	STEVENSON
DIXON	THOMPSON
EHARDT	VANDER WOUDE

### <= 10% COALITION OF THE RADICAL LEFT

#### SENATE

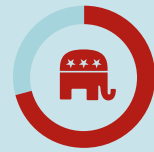
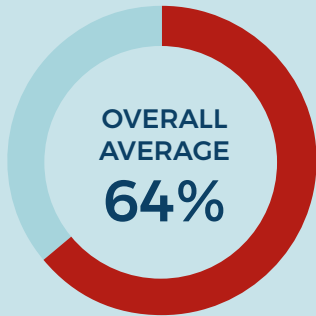
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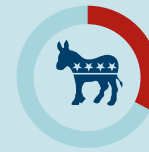
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## IDAHO SENATE STATISTICS



REPUBLICAN AVERAGE  
**71%**



DEMOCRAT AVERAGE  
**33%**

### IDAHO SENATE CONSERVATIVE RATINGS



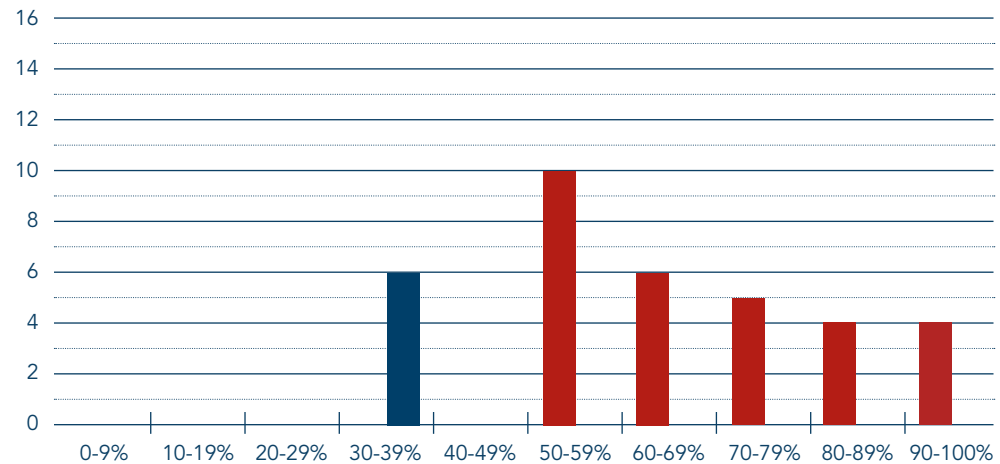
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BLUE = DEMOCRATS



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STATE  
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2018 ACUF PERCENTAGE



LOWEST  
REPUBLICAN



**KEOUGH**  
**50%**



HIGHEST  
DEMOCRATS



**NYE**  
**WARD-ENGELKING**  
**36%**



## IDAHO SENATE VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

1. **S 1243 Providing Additional Abortion Educational Material to Patients.** This bill requires the Department of Health and Welfare to include in the educational material it produces about abortion additional information about a procedure that reverses chemical abortions that are a result of an abortion pill. Under previous law, abortion clinics were required to direct patients to a website containing this material during the scheduling of an abortion. ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions on the process and educating patients and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on February 20, 2018 by a vote of 29-6.
2. **S 1288 Allowing the Purchase of Out-of-State Insurance.** This bill, known as the Idaho Free Market Insurance Act, allows out-of-state insurers to sell insurance to individuals within Idaho. ACU supports this effort to drive down insurance costs and believes consumers should be able to purchase insurance from wherever they want and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on February 27, 2018 by a vote of 35-0.
3. **S 1279 Expanding Eligibility for Student Higher Education Subsidies.** This bill expands the Idaho Opportunity Scholarship program to make adults who have dropped out of college eligible for benefits if they want to return. Under the program, scholarships of up to \$3,500 are awarded on a need-basis to students who have a GED and a 2.7 grade point average. ACU opposes the continuous expansion of government programs, which require increased funding and ultimately lead to higher taxes, and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on February 27, 2018 by a vote of 25-10.
4. **S 1283 Expanding a Ban on Mobile Phone Use While Driving.** This bill expands the ban on texting while driving to include all mobile phone use and makes violations a primary offense, which allows law enforcement to stop violators for that reason alone. ACU opposes over-criminalization and making these violations primary offenses, even if the driver shows no signs of impairment, and opposed this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on February 28, 2018 by a vote of 13-22.
5. **H 463 Providing Tax Reductions and Conforming the Code to Federal Law.** This bill slightly reduces the state's personal and corporate tax rates and makes changes to the code to provide conformity with the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act that was passed by Congress. Reducing tax burdens increases economic growth, which increases family prosperity, as illustrated by the ACU Foundation's Family Prosperity Index. ACU supports pro-growth tax relief and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 1, 2018 by a vote of 26-9.
6. **S 1313 Strengthening "Stand Your Ground" Self Defense Laws.** This bill clarifies and expands the state's self-defense laws (commonly referred to as "Stand Your Ground") to provide individuals with legal protections if they use deadly force against a person unlawfully intruding into a place of businesses or occupied vehicle. Previously, these laws only applied to homes and places of habitation. ACU supports strengthening the right of self-defense and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 2, 2018 by a vote of 29-6.
7. **H 434 Ensuring Fiscal Responsibility in Government Contracts.** This bill provides legal authority to the Division of Public works to reject bids for public works projects that exceed the funding allocated for the projects. ACU supports this fiscal restraint of government spending that helps protect taxpayers and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 7, 2018 by a vote of 35-0.
8. **S 1314 Expunging the Criminal Records of Those Whose Cases are Dismissed.** This bill permits the expungement of the criminal history records and fingerprints of those who have had the criminal charges against them dismissed. The ACU Foundation's Center for Criminal Justice Reform is a leading authority on this issue and works to eliminate unnecessary barriers to employment and housing by those involved in the criminal justice system. ACU believes that individuals should not have a criminal record absent a conviction and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 7, 2018 by a vote of 35-0.





9. **H 472 Imposing Fees on Students to Subsidize Doctors.** This bill increases funding for the Idaho Rural Physician Incentive Program. Under the program, medical students are assessed up to \$1,600 in fees to pay the student loans of physicians who agree to work in rural areas of the state. Furthermore, the bill provides a \$2 state match for every \$1 in medical student fees collected. ACU opposes government redistribution schemes that make it more difficult to pursue a medical degree by driving up the costs of education and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 9, 2018 by a vote of 20-13.
10. **H 654 Providing Funding for Government-Run Television.** This appropriation bill funds Idaho Public Television for Fiscal Year 2019 and provides just under \$9.5 million in funding. The television network broadcasts a wide range of programming related to gardening, cooking and entertainment. ACU opposes the use of taxpayer funds for non-essential government functions that compete with the private sector and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 9, 2018 by a vote of 26-4.
11. **S 1343 Mandating Licensing of Eyelash Extension Practitioners.** This bill requires anyone who applies eyelash extensions to obtain a license as an esthetician or cosmetologist, which require between 600 and 1,600 hours of schooling. ACU opposes the proliferation of licenses that are primarily designed to restrict competition and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 12, 2018 by a vote of 21-14.
12. **H 447 Reforming the Civil Asset Forfeiture System.** This bill makes a number of positive changes to the state's asset forfeiture procedures to help prevent property from being wrongfully seized. Under the bill, the sole presence of U.S. currency (without evidence of wrongdoing) is not a sufficient cause for a seizure, and courts must determine whether a property forfeiture is proportionate to the crime alleged. In addition, the bill establishes numerous reporting requirements, among other provisions. The ACU Foundation Center for Criminal Justice Reform is a leading authority on this issue and works to protect the property rights of all individuals. ACU supports strong protections against asset forfeiture abuse and believes a criminal conviction should be required before an individual's property is seized and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on March 12, 2018 by a vote of 35-0.
13. **H 611 Increasing Government Transparency.** This bill requires government agencies to post their meeting agendas online and indicate which items on which members will be voting. ACU supports increased government transparency and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 12, 2018 by a vote of 35-0.
14. **H 465 Expanding Dental Coverage to All Medicaid Recipients.** This bill expands non-emergency dental coverage to every recipient of Medicaid, including work-ready, childless adults. Previously, only children and individuals with major disabilities received this type of coverage, while all other recipients received coverage for only major emergency dental procedures. ACU opposes creating more dependency on the federal government by expanding a program rife with waste and fraud that contains no reforms or work requirements and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 12, 2018 by a vote of 28-7.
15. **H 399 Providing Early Retirement and Higher Pension Benefits for Corrections and Probation Officers.** This bill reclassifies juvenile detention and probation officers as traditional police and firefighters, allowing individuals in these positions to become eligible for early retirement at age 50 and general retirement at age 60, instead of the current age of 65. ACU opposes this fiscally irresponsible proposal that increases the state's future financial liabilities, which will ultimately burden taxpayers, and opposed this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on March 12, 2018 by a vote of 14-21.
16. **H 642 Imposing Mandates on Homeowners Associations.** This bill imposes a series of mandates on homeowners associations, including limits on the amounts of fees they can charge, time limits for document requests, and requirements pertaining to fee disclosures during property sales. ACU believes that the members of a homeowners association, not the government, should be the ones to set policies and make operational decisions and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 13, 2018 by a vote of 28-6.
17. **H 405 Repealing Minimum Price Controls on Business Merchandise.** This bill repeals a 79-year-old law that requires businesses to mark up their merchandise a minimum of 6 percent before selling the merchandise to the public. Violations of this law are considered a criminal offense and carry a possible jail sentence. ACU opposes this disastrous Depression-era law that criminalizes the free market and low prices and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 13, 2018 by a vote of 34-0.



18. **H 638 Protecting the Health of Abortion Patients.** This bill requires that any health complications that arise from an abortion procedure be reported to the Department of Health and Welfare. ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions on the practice and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 14, 2018 by a vote of 21-14.

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19. **H 661 Providing Funding for an Unneeded Governmental Commission.** This appropriation bill provides \$330,000 to fund the Commission on Hispanic Affairs, which is charged with providing a "liaison between the Hispanic Community and government entities" and "researching problems and issues facing Idaho's Hispanic community." ACU opposes identity-politics programs that provide information and services readily available in the private sector and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 14, 2018 by a vote of 30-5.

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20. **H 620 Preventing the Use of Taxpayer Funds in Elections.** This bill prohibits the use of taxpayer funds to interfere with or influence an election. ACU believes it is an improper use of taxpayer funds to lobby or influence an election and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 16, 2018 by a vote of 34-0.

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21. **H 466 Providing Exemptions to the State's Minimum Wage.** This bill exempts children under the age of 18 who are working for immediate family members from the state's minimum wage law. ACU supports this exemption from the minimum wage, a job-killing policy that harms those who need employment the most, such as students and inexperienced workers and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on March 16, 2018 by a vote of 29-4.

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22. **S 1376 Increasing Spending to Pay for Medicaid Expansion.** This appropriation bill provides \$3.8 million to pay for the Medicaid expansion in H 465. ACU opposes the expansion of Medicaid, especially without any reforms to combat waste and fraud and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 20, 2018 by a vote of 27-5.

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# IDAHO SENATE SCORES

## IDAHO SENATE VOTE DETAIL

	Party	Dist.	S 1243	S 1288	S 1279	S 1283	H 463	S 1313	H 434	S 1314	H 472	H 654	S 1343	H 447	H 611	H 465	H 399	H 642	H 405	H 638	H 661	H 620	H 466	S 1376	ACU Votes	Votes Cast	2018 %	2017 %	LIFETIME AVG
AGENBROAD	R	13	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	13	22	59%	n/a	59%
ANTHON	R	27	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	+	-	+	X	X	+	-	+	+	-	15	19	79%	69%	74%
BAIR	R	31	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	X	17	21	81%	87%	81%
BAYER	R	21	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	18	22	82%	81%	87%
BRACKETT	R	23	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	14	22	64%	25%	62%
Buckner-Webb	D	19	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	7	22	32%	33%	28%
Burgoyne	D	16	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	7	22	32%	44%	33%
CRABTREE	R	7	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	17	22	77%	n/a	77%
DEN HARTOG	R	22	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	18	22	82%	81%	86%
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GUTHRIE	R	28	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	15	22	68%	63%	78%
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HARRIS	R	32	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	18	22	82%	75%	72%
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LAKEY	R	12	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	13	22	59%	75%	74%
LEE	R	9	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	14	22	64%	47%	63%
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MARTIN	R	15	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	12	22	55%	44%	55%
MORTIMER	R	30	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	13	22	59%	50%	63%
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PATRICK	R	25	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	13	22	59%	56%	72%
POTTS	R	33	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	21	22	95%	n/a	95%
RICE	R	10	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	X	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	X	15	20	75%	81%	81%
SIDDOWAY	R	35	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	X	16	21	76%	75%	76%
SOUZA	R	4	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	16	22	73%	75%	82%
Stennett	D	26	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	7	22	32%	31%	31%
THAYN	R	8	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	13	22	59%	63%	70%
VICK	R	2	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	22	22	100%	100%	98%
Ward-Engelking	D	18	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	8	22	36%	44%	34%
WINDER	R	20	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	14	22	64%	63%	69%

"+" Member voted with ACU's position

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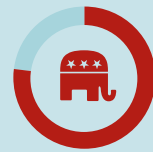
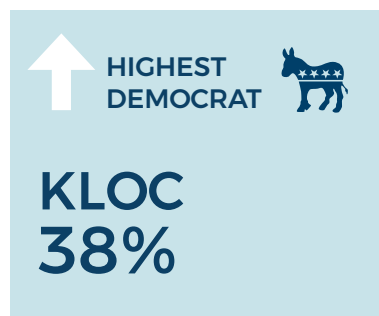
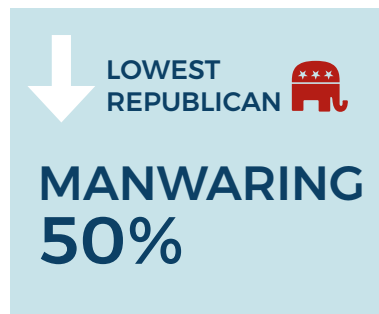
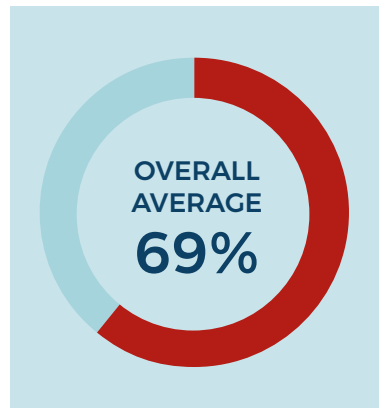
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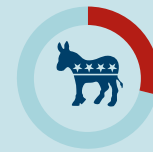
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## IDAHO HOUSE STATISTICS



REPUBLICAN AVERAGE  
**77%**



DEMOCRAT AVERAGE  
**29%**

### IDAHO HOUSE CONSERVATIVE RATINGS



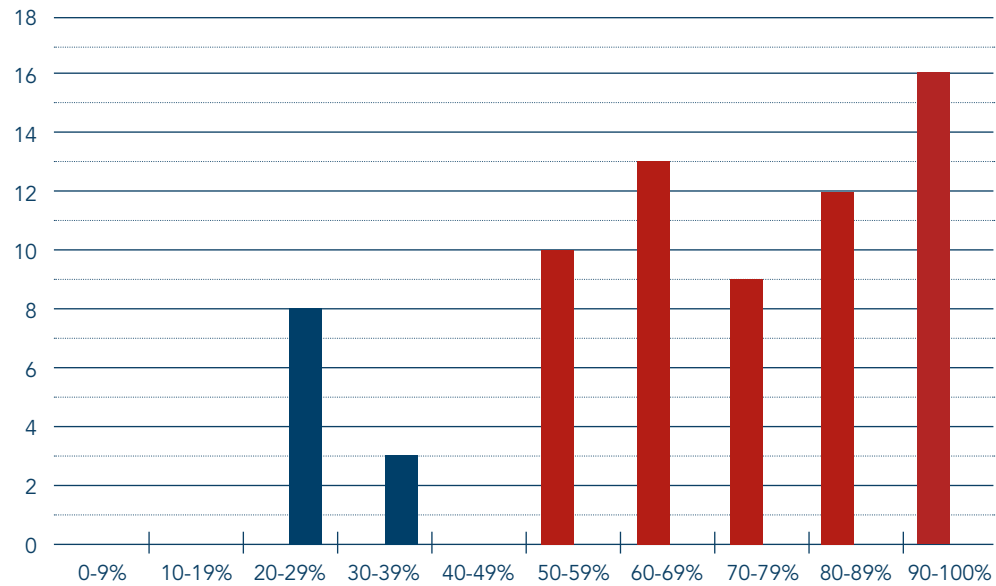
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2. **H 405 Repealing Minimum Price Controls on Business Merchandise.** This bill repeals a 79-year-old law that requires businesses to mark up their merchandise a minimum of 6 percent before selling the merchandise to the public. Violations of this law are considered a criminal offense and carry a possible jail sentence. ACU opposes this disastrous Depression-era law that criminalizes the free market and low prices and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on February 7, 2018 by a vote of 60-10.
3. **H 449 Leveling the Playing Field for Gold and Silver Currencies by Exempting Precious Metals from Taxation.** This bill eliminates the capital gains tax on the sale of precious metals, such as gold and silver, allowing them to more fairly compete as an alternative to the U.S. dollar. ACU supports the free use of precious metals as currency, especially at a time when the Federal Reserve is engaging in dangerous and unprecedented monetary policy and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on February 12, 2018 by a vote of 60-9.
4. **H 465 Expanding Dental Coverage to All Medicaid Recipients.** This bill expands non-emergency dental coverage to every recipient of Medicaid, including work-ready, childless adults. Previously, only children and individuals with major disabilities receive this type of coverage, while all other recipients receive coverage for only major emergency dental procedures. ACU opposes creating more dependency on the federal government by expanding a program rife with waste and fraud that contains no reforms or work requirements and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 12, 2018 by a vote of 36-32.
5. **H 466 Providing Exemptions to the State's Minimum Wage.** This bill exempts children under the age of 18 who are working for immediate family members from the state's minimum wage law. ACU supports this exemption from the minimum wage, a job-killing policy that harms those who need employment the most, such as students and inexperienced workers and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on February 13, 2018 by a vote of 60-9.
6. **H 399 Providing Early Retirement and Higher Pension Benefits for Corrections and Probation Officers.** This bill reclassifies juvenile detention and probation officers as traditional police and firefighters, allowing individuals in these positions to become eligible for early retirement at age 50 and general retirement at age 60, instead of the current age of 65. ACU opposes this fiscally irresponsible proposal that increases the state's future financial liabilities, which will ultimately burden taxpayers, and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 14, 2018 by a vote of 43-27.
7. **H 434 Ensuring Fiscal Responsibility in Government Contracts.** This bill provides legal authority to the Division of Public works to reject bids for public works projects that exceed the funding allocated for the projects. ACU supports this fiscal restraint on government spending that helps protect taxpayers and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on February 14, 2018 by a vote of 70-0.
8. **H 472 Imposing Fees on Students to Subsidize Doctors.** This bill increases funding for the Idaho Rural Physician Incentive Program. Under the program, medical students are assessed up to \$1,600 in fees to pay the student loans of physicians who agree to work in rural areas of the state. Furthermore, the bill provides a \$2 state match for every \$1 in medical student fees collected. ACU opposes government redistribution schemes that force unemployed students to subsidize employed physicians and make it more difficult to pursue a medical degree by driving up the costs of education and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 20, 2018 by a vote of 41-28.



9. **H 561 Providing Modest Tax Reductions Following Increased State Revenue.** This bill reduces personal income tax rates (across all brackets) by 0.1 percent after any year in which state revenues increased by 6 percent or more. ACU supports this modest tax reduction which allows taxpayers to share in the benefits of economic growth and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on February 20, 2018 by a vote of 48-20.
10. **H 447 Reforming the Civil Asset Forfeiture System.** This bill makes a number of positive changes to the state's asset forfeiture procedures to help prevent property from being wrongfully seized. Under the bill, the sole presence of U.S. currency (without evidence of wrongdoing) is not a sufficient cause for a seizure, and courts must determine whether a property forfeiture is proportionate to the crime alleged. In addition, the bill establishes numerous reporting requirements, among other provisions. The ACU Foundation Center for Criminal Justice Reform is a leading authority on this issue and works to protect the property rights of all individuals. ACU supports strong protections against asset forfeiture abuse and believes a criminal conviction should be required before an individual's property is seized and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on February 21, 2018 by a vote of 68-0.
11. **H 481 Cracking Down on Do-It-Yourself Homeowners.** This bill restricts the amount of plumbing work a property owner can do before calling in a "fully licensed plumber," and prevents an individual from performing their own plumbing services if they own more than two homes. ACU opposes this effort to enrich plumbers and drive up the cost of home ownership, and opposes policies such as this which infringe upon the private property rights and liberties of home owners and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 22, 2018 by a vote of 46-21.
12. **H 620 Preventing the Use of Taxpayer Funds in Elections.** This bill prohibits the use of taxpayer funds to interfere with or influence an election. ACU believes it is an improper use of taxpayer funds to lobby or influence an election and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on February 26, 2018 by a vote of 58-9.
13. **H 611 Increasing Government Transparency.** This bill requires government agencies to post their meeting agendas online and indicate which items on which members will be voting. ACU supports increased government transparency and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on February 28, 2018 by a vote of 70-0.
14. **H 638 Protecting the Health of Abortion Patients.** This bill requires that any health complications that arise from an abortion procedure be reported to the Department of Health and Welfare. ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions on the practice and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on March 1, 2018 by a vote of 56-13.
15. **H 622 Protecting Free Speech on College Campuses.** This bill prevents state public institutions of higher education from depriving or limiting the ability of any student, faculty member or invited guest to freely speak on campus, as protected by the First Amendment. ACU supports First Amendment protections on public campuses and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on March 2, 2018 by a vote of 66-1.
16. **H 654 Providing Funding for Government-Run Television.** This appropriation bill funds Idaho Public Television for Fiscal Year 2019 and provides just under \$9.5 million in funding. The television network broadcasts a wide range of programming related to gardening, cooking and entertainment. ACU opposes the use of taxpayer funds for non-essential government functions that compete with the private sector and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 2, 2018 by a vote of 47-21.
17. **H 642 Imposing Mandates on Homeowners Associations.** This bill imposes a series of mandates on homeowners associations, including limits on the amounts of fees they can charge, time limits for document requests, and requirements pertaining to fee disclosures during property sales. ACU believes that the members of a homeowners association, not the government, should be the ones to set policies and make operational decisions and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 5, 2018 by a vote of 59-10.
18. **H 661 Providing Funding for an Unneeded Governmental Commission.** This appropriation bill provides \$330,000 to fund the Commission on Hispanic Affairs, which is charged with providing a "liaison between the Hispanic Community and government entities" and "researching problems and issues facing Idaho's Hispanic community." ACU opposes identity-politics programs that provide information and services readily available in the private sector and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 8, 2018 by a vote of 45-24.



19. **S 1243 Providing Additional Abortion Educational Material to Patients.** This bill requires the Department of Health and Welfare to include in the educational material it produces on abortion, additional information about a procedure that reverses chemical abortions that are a result of an abortion pill. Under previous law, abortion clinics were required to direct patients to a website containing this material during the scheduling of an abortion. ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions on the process and educating patients and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on March 12, 2018 by a vote of 55-11.

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20. **S 1288 Allowing the Purchase of Out-of-State Insurance.** This bill, known as the Idaho Free Market Insurance Act, allows out-of-state insurers to sell insurance to individuals within Idaho. ACU supports this effort to drive down insurance costs and believes consumers should be able to purchase insurance from wherever they want and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on March 13, 2018 by a vote of 63-5.

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21. **S 1313 Strengthening "Stand Your Ground" Self Defense Laws.** This bill clarifies and expands the state's self-defense laws (commonly referred to as "Stand Your Ground") to provide individuals with legal protections if they use deadly force against a person unlawfully intruding into a place of businesses or occupied vehicle. Previously, these laws only applied to homes and places of habitation. ACU supports strengthening the right of self-defense and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on March 13, 2018 by a vote of 57-12.

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22. **S 1279 Expanding Eligibility for Student Higher Education Subsidies.**

This bill expands the Idaho Opportunity Scholarship program to make adults who have dropped out of college now eligible for benefits if they want to return. Under the program, scholarships of up to \$3,500 are awarded on a need-basis to students who have a GED and a 2.7 grade point average. ACU opposes government steering individuals toward higher education over other training, trades and professions, as well as the continuous expansion of government programs, which require increased funding and ultimately lead to higher taxes and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 19, 2018 by a vote of 37-32.

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23. **S 1314 Expunging the Criminal Records of Those Whose Cases are**

**Dismissed.** This bill permits the expungement of the criminal history records and fingerprints of those who have had the criminal charges against them dismissed. The ACU Foundation's Center for Criminal Justice Reform is a leading authority on this issue and works to eliminate unnecessary barriers to employment and housing by those involved in the criminal justice system. ACU believes that individuals should not have a criminal record absent a conviction and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on March 20, 2018 by a vote of 68-0.

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24. **S 1376 Increasing Spending to Pay for Medicaid Expansion.**

This appropriation bill provides \$3.8 million to pay for the Medicaid expansion in H 465. ACU opposes the expansion of Medicaid, especially without any reforms to combat waste and fraud and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 21, 2018 by a vote of 39-27.

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# IDAHO HOUSE SCORES

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AMADOR	R	4	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	15	24	63%	n/a	63%
ANDERSON	R	31	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	17	24	71%	39%	62%
ANDERST	R	12	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	X	+	+	+	+	X	15	22	68%	50%	63%
ARMSTRONG	R	28	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	X	+	+	-	+	+	19	23	83%	n/a	83%
BARBIERI	R	2	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	X	X	X	+	+	+	19	21	90%	83%	84%
BEDKE	R	27	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	13	24	54%	47%	59%
BELL	R	25	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	15	24	63%	26%	55%
BLANKSMA	R	23	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	18	24	75%	n/a	75%
BOYLE	R	9	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	20	23	87%	95%	87%
BURTENSHAW	R	35	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	14	24	58%	42%	58%
CHANEY	R	10	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	21	24	88%	95%	85%
CHEATHAM	R	3	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	24	24	100%	84%	86%
Chew	D	17	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	X	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	6	23	26%	37%	29%
CLOW	R	24	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	17	23	74%	39%	60%
COLLINS	R	13	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	19	24	79%	79%	75%
CRANE	R	13	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	20	24	83%	89%	80%
DAYLEY	R	21	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	19	24	79%	58%	72%
DEMORDAUNT	R	14	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	21	23	91%	74%	77%
DIXON	R	1	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	20	24	83%	94%	89%
EHARDT	R	33	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	21	24	88%	n/a	88%
Erpelding	D	19	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	7	24	29%	33%	25%
Gannon, J.	D	17	X	X	-	-	-	-	+	X	X	X	X	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	5	18	28%	37%	30%
Gannon, M.	D	5	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	X	+	-	X	-	-	X	-	+	-	-	+	-	7	21	33%	n/a	33%
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GIBBS	R	32	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	X	+	+	-	X	-	13	22	59%	28%	54%
GIDDINGS	R	7	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	24	24	100%	n/a	100%
HANKS	R	35	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	22	24	92%	n/a	92%
HARRIS	R	21	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	23	24	96%	100%	89%
HARTGEN	R	24	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	X	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	13	23	57%	47%	61%
HOLTZCLAW	R	20	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	20	24	83%	63%	74%
HORMAN	R	30	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	X	X	X	13	21	62%	47%	60%
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KAUFFMAN	R	25	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	15	24	63%	26%	58%
KERBY	R	9	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	17	24	71%	63%	69%
King	D	18	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	7	24	29%	32%	25%
KINGSLEY	R	6	+	+	+	X	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	16	23	70%	n/a	70%
Kloc	D	16	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	9	24	38%	33%	34%
LOERTSCHER	R	32	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	17	24	71%	74%	71%
LUKER	R	15	+	+	+	X	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	19	23	83%	89%	77%
MALEK	R	4	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	15	24	63%	33%	65%
MANWARING	R	29	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	12	24	50%	n/a	50%
Mccrostie	D	16	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	7	24	29%	37%	33%
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MILLER	R	26	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	14	24	58%	32%	58%
MONKS	R	22	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	23	24	96%	95%	87%
MOON	R	8	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	24	24	100%	n/a	100%
MOYLE	R	14	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	20	24	83%	79%	75%
NATE	R	34	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	24	24	100%	100%	96%
PACKER	R	28	+	+	+	-	X	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	15	23	65%	42%	60%
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RAYBOULD	R	34	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	X	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	14	23	61%	44%	60%
REDMAN	R	2	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	15	24	63%	47%	67%
Rubel	D	18	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	8	24	33%	26%	25%
SCOTT	R	1	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	24	24	100%	100%	98%	
SHEPHERD	R	7	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	X	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	19	21	90%	87%	84%
Smith	D	29	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	6	24	25%	28%	29%
STEVENSON	R	6	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	20	24	83%	n/a	83%
SYME	R	11	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	17	24	71%	n/a	71%
THOMPSON	R	30	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	21	24	88%	84%	83%
Toone	D	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	X	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	6	23	26%	n/a	26%
TROY	R	5	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	14	24	58%	59%	67%
VANDER WOUDE	R	22	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	20	24	83%	78%	76%
VANORDEN	R	31	+	+	X	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	13	23	57%	50%	62%
WAGONER	R	10	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	15	24	63%	n/a	63%
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WOOD	R	27	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	X	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	12	23	52%	33%	44%
YOUNGBLOOD	R	12	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	15	24	63%	47%	65%
ZITO	R	23	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	23	24	96%	n/a	96%
ZOLLINGER	R	33	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	23	24	96%	n/a	96%

"+" Member voted with ACU's position  
 "-" Member voted against ACU's position  
 "X" Member was absent for vote  
 "E" Member was excused for vote

† Legislator did not vote on enough of the selected bills and as a result the 2018 percentage was not rated. 2/3rds of the selected bills must be voted on to receive a score.