

RATINGS of ALABAMA 2021





The nation's gold standard to hold nearly 8,000 lawmakers accountable for their voting records.





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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The American Conservative Union Foundation's Center for Legislative Accountability is proud to present our *Ratings of Alabama* for 2021. Like our *Ratings of Congress*, ACU Foundation's *Ratings of the States* are meant to reflect how elected officials view the role of government in an individual's life. We begin with our philosophy (conservatism is the political philosophy that sovereignty resides in the person) and then apply the proper role of government (its essential role is to defend Life, Liberty and Property).

The Left has stormed our nation's corridors of power to take control over the lives of every American. Now, they have set their sights on the states, freedom's last line of defense.

President Lincoln once said, "America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves." The Left's agenda dismantles the vision of our founders when they pledged their lives, their fortunes, and their sacred honor.

We hope these Ratings will empower each and every American to hold their officials accountable and to rally behind the conservative champions who defend our freedoms in statehouses around the country.



American Conservative Union Foundation











ABOUT THE CENTER FOR LEGISLATIVE ACCOUNTABILITY

The Center for Legislative Accountability (CLA), an initiative of the American Conservative Union Foundation (ACUF), is the premier organization for holding lawmakers accountable. The CLA produces the longest-running conservative congressional scorecard and our state program is the only one in the nation that scores all 8,000 lawmakers in the 50 states across every policy area. In addition to ACUF's Conservative Political Action Conference (CPAC), the largest gathering of conservatives in the world, the CLA develops conservative policy solutions and educates everyday citizens and activists on the proper role of government. In 1971, ACUF launched its *Ratings of Congress* to provide a comprehensive evaluation of the voting records of every Member of Congress.

The Ratings quickly became considered the "gold standard" and over the following decades have been utilized by activists, voters, academics and elected officials to determine which lawmakers best adhere to conservative principles. In 2011, these Ratings were expanded into state legislatures as part of a five-state pilot program. By 2015, *Ratings of the States* grew to include all 50 states and all 99 legislative chambers.

Today, the CLA annually analyzes over 105,000 pieces of legislation to issue scores for all of America's federal and state lawmakers and presents awards to lawmakers who score 80% or better in recognition of their conservative voting records.

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METHODOLOGY

The CLA's Ratings of Congress and the States illustrate how elected officials view the role of government in an individual's life. When determining a position on a particular issue, the CLA begins by defining conservatism: the political philosophy that sovereignty resides in the person. Then, we apply the founders' belief that the proper role of government is to protect Life, Liberty and Property.

In order to depict how closely a lawmaker adheres to conservative principles, the CLA selects from the full spectrum of issues relating to the economy, culture, national security and government integrity. Some key areas include taxation, spending, education, labor, licensure, regulation, environment, life, free speech, Second Amendment rights, foreign aid, defense priorities and global organizations, including the United Nations. All congressional and state analyses are conducted after the adjournment of a legislative session to ensure that no issue is neglected.

Each lawmaker is evaluated on a zero to 100 scale, with a score of 100 representing a voting record that is perfectly aligned with conservative principles. Officials who earn a score of 90% or higher are presented with the CLA's highest honor, the Award for Conservative Excellence, while those who earn a score of 80% or higher, but less than 90%, are presented with the Award for Conservative Achievement. Additionally, any lawmaker who earns a score of 10% or lower qualifies for the ACUF's Coalition of the Radical Left.

ANNUAL METRICS







To determine legislative rankings, the CLA annually evaluates over 105,000 bills that were introduced in Congress and every convening state legislature running from January 1 to December 31. Of those bills, the CLA ultimately selects roughly 2,000 pieces of legislation that best illustrate how elected officials view the role of government in an individual's life. The CLA calculates individual scores for a total of nearly 8,000 federal and state lawmakers based on over 157,000 votes cast on the 2,000 bills selected. The CLA provides a score for each legislative chamber, which is based upon the average scores of all members within that respective chamber. A legislature's overall score is calculated by averaging each state's two legislative chambers together in order to better reflect the differences in political power between the chambers. (The exception being Nebraska, the nation's only unicameral legislature comprising a single legislative chamber, on which the state's overall score is based.)



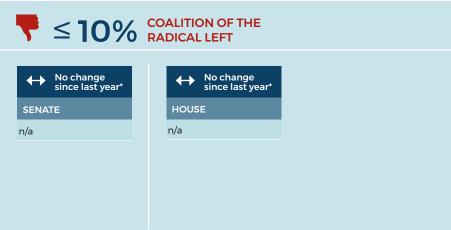
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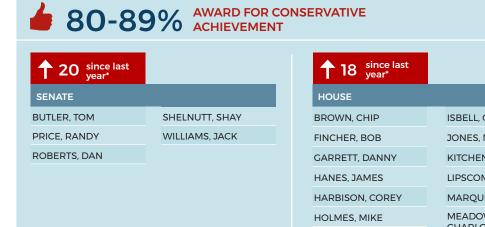
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2021 WINNERS & LOSERS





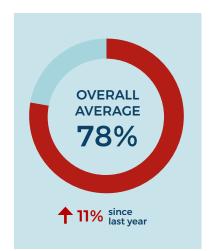


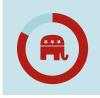
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*Compared to number of qualifying lawmakers in the previous session Republicans in ALL CAPS, Democrats in initial caps, asterisk indicates Independents/Libertarians/other



ALABAMA SENATE STATISTICS





REPUBLICAN AVERAGE 83%





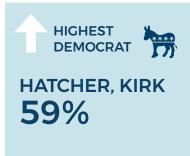


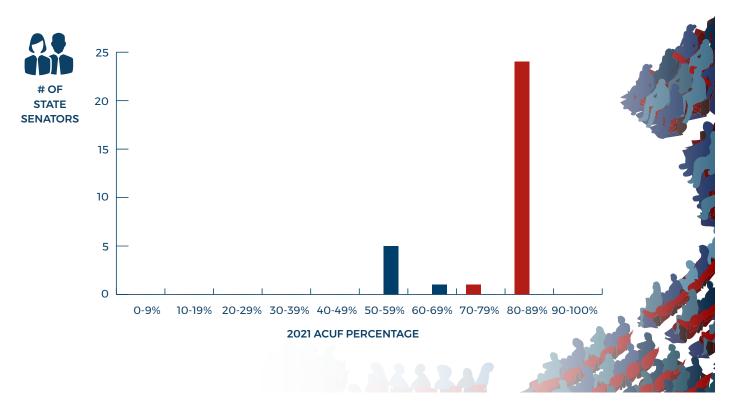
ALABAMA SENATE CONSERVATIVE RATINGS













ALABAMA SENATE SCORES

ALABAMA SENATE VOTE DETAIL

	Party	Dist.	2021 %	2020 %	LIFETIME AVG	SB 2	SB 10	SB 15 (2nd Special Session)	SB 27	SB 30	SB 97	SB 126	SB 160	НВ 167	НВ 192	SB 210	HB 235	НВ 237	HB 249	SB 264	НВ 273	HB 285	SB 358	HB 391	SB 397	HB 404	HB408	HB 446
ALBRITTON, GREG	R	22	80%	67%	67%	+	+	+	-	+	+	х	+	х	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	Х	+	+
ALLEN, GERALD	R	21	82%	7 1%	75%	+	+	+	-	х	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
BARFOOT, WILL	R	25	82%	7 1%	76%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	х	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Beasley, William	D	28	59%	43%	45%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	х	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
Burkette, David	D	26	n/a†	n/a	60%	X	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	X	х	X	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
BUTLER, TOM	R	2	86%	71%	73%	+	х	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	Х	+	+	+
CHAMBLISS, CLYDE	R	30	82%	7 1%	70%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	х
CHESTEEN, DONNIE	R	29	82%	7 1%	65%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	х	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Coleman-Madison, Linda	D	20	61%	33%	42%	+	х	-	-	+	-	+	х	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	х	х	+	+	+	х
Dunn, Priscilla	D	19	n/a†	n/a	42%	X	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
ELLIOTT, CHRIS	R	32	81%	7 1%	74%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	х	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	х	+	+
Figures, Vivian	D	33	55%	40%	38%	+	-	х	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
GIVHAN, SAM	R	7	82%	71%	73%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	х	х	х	-	+	+	х	х	+	+	х	+	+
GUDGER, GARLAN	R	4	82%	7 1%	74%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	х	+	+

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Sanctuary" State.

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 HB 285 Strengthening Ballot Integrity Through Election
- Reform.

 SB 358 Making Alabama a "Second Amendment"
- HB 391 Protecting Girl's Athletics from Competition with Boys.
 SB 397 Expanding Business Growth by Permitting
- Wineries in Dry Counties
- HB 404 Allowing College Athletes to Profit from their Own Names, Image and Likeness.
- HB 408 Expanding Employment Opportunities by Clarifying Worker Classification.
- HB 446 Protecting Property Owners from Local Bans of Natural Gas.



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Hatcher, Kirk	D	26	59%	44%	48%	х	х	-	х	х	-	+	х	+	х	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
HOLLEY, JIMMY	R	31	76%	67%	71%	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	х	+	+	+	х	+	+	-
JONES, ANDREW	R	10	83%	71%	75%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
LIVINGSTON, STEVE	R	8	83%	71%	71%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MARSH, DEL	R	12	n/a†	80%	71%	+	х	+	х	+	+	х	х	х	-	+	+	+	-	+	х	+	х	х	+	х	х	+
MCCLENDON, JIM	R	11	81%	7 1%	75%	+	+	х	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	х	+	+	+	+	+
MELSON, TIM	R	1	82%	n/a	74%	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	х	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
ORR, ARTHUR	R	3	82%	67%	68%	+	+	+	-	+	+	х	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
PRICE, RANDY	R	13	86%	60%	72%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	х	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
REED, GREG	R	5	83%	83%	75%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
ROBERTS, DAN	R	15	87%	7 1%	74%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Sanders-Fortier, Malika	D	23	n/a†	n/a	36%	х	х	+	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х	х
SCOFIELD, CLAY	R	9	83%	7 1%	76%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
SESSIONS, DAVID	R	35	82%	83%	69%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	Х	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
SHELNUTT, SHAY	R	17	86%	83%	78%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	Х	+	+	+	Х	+	+	+
Singleton, Bobby	D	24	56%	50%	44%	+	-	-	х	х	-	+	+	+	х	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	х	х	+	+
Smitherman, Rodger	D	18	57%	50%	47%	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
STUTTS, LARRY	R	6	81%	71%	71%	+	+	х	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	х	+	+	+
WAGGONER, J. T.	R	16	83%	67%	74%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
WHATLEY, TOM	R	27	84%	67%	74%	+	+	х	-	+	+	х	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	х	+	х	+	+	+	+	+
WILLIAMS, JACK	R	34	89%	60%	63%	+	х	+	х	+	+	+	х	х	х	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

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ALABAMA SENATE VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

- 1. SB 2 Strengthening Fourth Amendment Rights by Regulating the Use of Automatic License Plate Readers by Law Enforcement. This bill slightly strengthens Fourth Amendment Rights by placing some regulations on the use of automatic license plate readers (ALPRs) by law enforcement. Existing law does not place any limitations on the usage of ALPRs, which ACU has serious concerns may be used to track the movements of law-abiding citizens and grow the government surveillance state. This bill requires law enforcement agencies to keep all information obtained through these systems confidential and destroy the data after 5 years. Additionally, the bill requires agencies to adopt and publicize their policies governing the use of data collected through these systems. ACU supports strengthening civil liberties and privacy rights as protected under the Fourth Amendment and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on February 25, 2021 by a vote of 31-0. (The bill failed to advance in the House.)
- 2. SB 10 Protecting Vulnerable Children by Placing Reasonable Restrictions on Hormone Blockers for Minors. This bill would prohibit hormone treatment for gender dysphoria in minors. Typically, ACU defends the rights of parents to make decisions for their children (e.g., school choice, vaccinations, disciplinary measures). However, those are matters that are not so likely to result in substantial, irreversible harm if a parent makes a suboptimal decision. Because ACU also recognizes that when a child is no longer a minor they can make their own decisions, it is appropriate for government to play a role in intervening in such matters as this for the well-being of a child. Under the bill, healthcare providers are prohibited from prescribing hormone treatment for gender dysphoria in minors. (There are instances when these treatments are medically necessary, and this bill allows for those.) While ACU strongly supports parental rights, we also support this measure to protect children from abuse and recognize that these procedures result in permanent physiological changes to which a minor child cannot consent and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 2, 2021 by a vote of 23-4. (The bill failed to advance in the House.)
- 3. SB 15 (2nd Special Session) Requiring Parental Permission for Child COVID-19 Vaccinations. This bill strengthens parental rights by requiring parental consent for a minor to receive a COVID-19 vaccination. Additionally, schools may not inquire into the COVID-19 vaccination status of a minor student without parental consent. ACU supports strengthening parental rights and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on November 4, 2021 by a vote of 25-4.
- 4. SB 27 Imposing New Anti-Competitive Barriers in the Auction Industry. This bill further worsens the state's draconian licensing regime for auctioneers. Under the bill, aspiring auctioneers must now complete 85 hours of classroom instruction, and post a \$10,000 surety bond among a number of new barriers. Furthermore, the bill potentially prevents anyone with any type of previous criminal conviction from becoming an auctioneer by now requiring the disclosure of all convictions (previously just felony and certain misdemeanor). ACU Foundation's Nolan Center for Justice is a leading voice on this issue and works to reduce recidivism by reducing unnecessary barriers to employment. ACU opposes the proliferation of licensing mandates which are primarily designed to reduce competition and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on February 11, 2021 by a vote of 28-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 5. SB 30 Reopening the Economy Through COVID-19 Liability Protections. This bill helps protect businesses from frivolous litigation pertaining to COVID-19 exposure. Under the bill, businesses would be protected from civil liability for damages or injuries resulting from exposure to COVID-19 as long as the exposure was not the result of "want, reckless, willful, or intentional misconduct." ACU supports this critical measure to help allow businesses to reopen by protecting them from frivolous litigation and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on February 4, 2021 by a vote of 28-1 and the bill was signed into law.
- 6. SB 97 Providing a Legislative Check on the Governor's Emergency Power. This bill provides a legislative check on executive branch emergency power. Specifically, the bill provides legislature greater oversight of the executive branch's orders, including those relating to pandemics such as COVID-19. ACU supports protecting constitutional rights, supports the ability of Americans to manage their own risk related to illnesses, believes that many of government's reactions to COVID-19 have done more harm than good and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on April 1, 2021 by a vote of 24-8. (The bill was defeated in the Senate.)



- 7. SB 126 Expanding Competition and Consumer Choice by Allowing Delivery of Alcoholic Beverages. This bill expands consumer choice and competition by permitting licensed businesses to deliver alcoholic beverages, within limits. Specifically, the bill allows delivery of sealed containers of beer, wine, and spirits to consumers' homes, as long as alcoholic beverages are delivered within a 24-hour window and are in accordance with container restrictions. Businesses would need to apply for a license, provide proof of insurance, and possess a method to verify that customers are over 21 years of age. The bill also provides a pathway for third party deliveries (i.e., goPuff, Instacart, etc.). ACU supports expanding individual liberties and eliminating unnecessary, anti-competitive regulations that restrict consumer choice and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on April 6, 2021 by a vote of 28-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 8. SB 160 Strengthening "Food Freedom" by Expanding Opportunities for Cottage Food Sales. This bill strengthens entrepreneurship by expanding opportunities for individuals to sell and purchase certain homemade food and drink products. The bill allows home-based food businesses to sell their products online, by phone, and in person and deliver the products directly, by mail, or through third-party couriers. Additionally, the bill removes the limit on the amount of income that business owners can derive from home-based food businesses. Despite labeling requirements that are implemented in this bill, ACU supports the main provisions of the bill that strengthens "food freedom" and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on March 2, 2021 by a vote of 27-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 9. HB 167 Reducing Voter Fraud through a Prohibition on Voting in Multiple States. This bill is designed to combat vote fraud and strengthen election integrity by making it a criminal violation to vote in Alabama and at least one other state in the same election. Under existing law, it is prohibited to vote more than once in Alabama in the same election. This bill expands the violation of state law to include voting in Alabama and another state in the same election, such as a presidential election. ACUF's Center to Protect Voters and their Voices is a leader in rebuilding the safeguards of our election systems and ensuring that every legal vote counts. ACU supports strengthening election integrity and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 6, 2021 by a vote of 26-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 10. HB 192 Expanding Cronyism and Racial Discrimination Through a Government Central Planning Tax Exemption Scheme. This bill, which proponents tout will "create jobs," simply serves as a mechanism to enrich special interests and select industries while shifting their tax burdens to other everyday Alabamans who are not favored by government. Under the bill, over \$350 million is provided annually to numerous special interests including pharmaceutical and agricultural companies, foreign vehicle manufacturers, and other industries who retain the top lobbyists such as "Big Tech". Additionally, the bill annually doles out \$20 million in taxpayer funds to "economic development organizations" to advance government central planning in the marketplace. Finally, the bill advances government racial and sexual discrimination by prioritizing subsidies to companies owned by "a woman, or an African American". ACU recognizes the hundreds of millions in subsidies could have instead been used to reduce tax burdens for all companies, with the free-market instead of lobbyists driving investment, resulting in multiple times more jobs. ACU opposes this blatant cronyism and government sanctioned racial and sexual discrimination and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on February 10, 2021 by a vote of 28-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 11. SB 210 Strengthening Property Rights by Limiting Asset Forfeiture. This bill strengthens property rights by establishing stronger due process protections for property owners subject to civil asset forfeiture. Additionally, the bill limits seizures of cash to more than \$250 and vehicles worth \$5,000 or more. ACUF's Nolan Center for Justice is a national leader in criminal justice reform and works to cut crime, reduce taxpayer costs, protect victims, define the proper scope of government, and responsibly reduce incarceration rates. ACU supports strong protections against asset forfeiture abuse, believes a criminal conviction should be required in order to forfeit an individual's property and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on May 17, 2021 by a vote of 30-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 12. HB 235 Empowering Businesses to Make Their Own Policies Concerning Dogs in Outdoor Dining Areas. This bill provides restaurants freedom to establish their own policies concerning dogs in outdoor dining areas by amending a provision in law which prohibited dogs in retail food establishments. Under the bill, a restaurant may permit dogs in outdoor dining areas. ACU supports empowering private businesses to establish their own policies regarding pets on their premises and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on May 17, 2021 by a vote of 31-0 and the bill was signed into law.



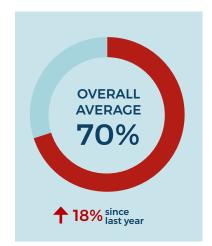
- 13. HB 237 Protecting Children Who Survive Abortion. This bill, known as "Gianna's Law", protects life by requiring physicians to provide appropriate medical care to children born alive following an abortion or attempted abortion. Specifically, the bill stipulates that the physician shall exercise the same degree of professional skill, care, and diligence to preserve the life and health of the child born alive following an abortion. ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions on the practice and supported this amendment. The Senate passed the bill on May 17, 2021 by a vote of 31-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 14. HB 249 Increasing Health Insurance Premiums Through Price Controls on Insulin Copayments. This bill drives up health insurance premiums for everyone through a new price control on insulin drug insurance copayments. Specifically, the bill prohibits health insurers from charging more than a \$100 copayment for a 30-day supply of insulin. ACU recognizes that this price control on insurance and other mandates only drive-up premium costs, thereby harming the affordability of insurance for everyone. ACU opposes price controls which lead to higher insurance costs for everyone and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on April 8, 2021 by a vote of 32-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 15. SB 264 Strengthening Property Rights by Legalizing Nighttime Hunting of Swine and Coyotes. This bill strengthens property rights by allowing the night-time hunting of feral swine and coyotes which have harmed the livestock of many farmers. Under current law, it is unlawful to take, capture, or kill any bird or animal protected by the law during nighttime hours. This bill would exempt feral swine and coyotes from the prohibition, allowing them to be hunted on privately owned or leased lands at nighttime during specified hunting season dates or with the appropriate license. ACU supports strengthening property rights, supports this expansion of individual liberties and the right to hunt and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on April 1, 2021 by a vote of 32-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 16. HB 273 Advancing the State's War on Individual Liberties and Nicotine by Raising the Age to 21. This bill violates individual liberties by prohibiting adults under age 21 from purchasing tobacco, nicotine, or vaping and e-cigarette products such as Juul. This bill is a result of efforts by the federal government to strong-arm states by threatening to withhold Federal Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant funding if they do not come into compliance with the new federal nicotine law. ACU believes tobacco and nicotine usage is a personal liberty issue, believes those who are old enough to fight for our country are old enough to decide whether to use these products and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 4, 2021 by a vote of 24-3 and the bill was signed into law
- 17. HB 285 Strengthening Ballot Integrity Through Election Reform. This bill strengthens election integrity and helps combat vote fraud by prohibiting the placement of unsecured voting machines outside of polling places and disallowing the ability to take ballots into or out of designated voting places. Additionally, the bill bans election workers from setting up curbside voting without legislative approval. ACUF's Center to Protect Voters and their Voices is a leading voice on this issue and rebuilding the safeguards of our election systems and ensuring that every legal vote counts. ACU supports strengthening election integrity by implementing safeguards that combat vote fraud and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 17, 2021 by a vote of 25-6 and the bill was signed into law.
- 18. SB 358 Making Alabama a "Second Amendment Sanctuary" State. This bill, known as the "Alabama Second Amendment Preservation Act," prohibits the enforcement of any federal firearm regulation or law which is more restrictive than state law. ACU supports the founders' belief in the Second amendment and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on April 15, 2021 by a vote of 22-5. (The bill failed to advance in the House.)
- 19. HB 391 Protecting Girl's Athletics from Competition with Boys. This bill protects the institution of girl's athletics by requiring all public K-12 schools to maintain separate competition for female and male students. Under the bill, a biological female may not participate on a male team if there is a female team in the sport, and a biological male may never participate on a female team. As a result, biological males who identify as females (or vice versa) may not compete with individuals of a different sex, unless the competition is designated coed. ACU believes all individuals should be treated with dignity and respect and have the same opportunities under the law. ACU also recognizes that there are numerous standard classifications in sports (such as age, weight, etc.) to ensure fair competition. Therefore, ACU supports ensuring fair competition among teams competing across the state and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on April 15, 2021 by a vote of 25-5 and the bill was signed into law.



- 20. SB 397 Expanding Business Growth by Permitting Wineries in Dry Counties. This bill slightly expands individual liberties and the free-market by permitting wineries to open and operate in dry counties (i.e., a county where the sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.) Under the bill, the Alabama ABC Board may issue a permit for a winery to operate in a dry county, however, wine may only be distributed by the winery for consumption outside of the dry county. Wine manufactured in a dry county may be sold, shipped, or delivered to a licensed wine distributor in Alabama or a legal distributor outside of the state. ACU supports strengthening individual liberties and a freer market in the alcoholic beverage industry and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on April 27, 2021 by a vote of 27-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 21. HB 404 Allowing College Athletes to Profit from their Own Names, Image and Likeness. This bill permits student athletes within the NCAA and other athletic associations to receive compensation if their name, image, or likeness are used in commercials, videogames, apparel, and other uses as long as the deals do not conflict with team contracts. ACU recognizes that the NCAA has effectively become a quasi-government agency whose members are the highest paid government employees in the country who use their governmental power to harm private citizens. ACU supports the ability of athletes to receive compensation for their name, image, and likeness and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on April 13, 2021 by a vote of 26-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 22. HB 408 Expanding Employment Opportunities by Clarifying Worker Classification. This bill expands employment opportunities by clarifying in which working circumstances individuals are considered to be either employees or independent contractors. This bill adopts the Internal Revenue Service's 20-factor test to determine classification as an independent contract. As a result, workers and employers are afforded greater regulatory certainty, thus providing business owners more flexibility to make greater investments in the workforce. ACU supports expanding employment opportunities by providing greater clarity in employment law and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on April 6, 2021 by a vote of 31-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 23. HB 446 Protecting Property Owners from Local Bans of Natural Gas. This bill strengthens property rights by ensuring localities cannot infringe the utility choices of developers and property owners. Under the bill, a locality may not deny a building permit or impose a regulatory barrier on a utility hook-up solely due to the type of utility service proposed. This bill is in response to local governments in California, Washington, and Massachusetts which have banned natural gas in new residential developments. ACU supports all sources of energy, believes government should not favor one source of energy over another and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on April 20, 2021 by a vote of 29-1 and the bill was signed into law.



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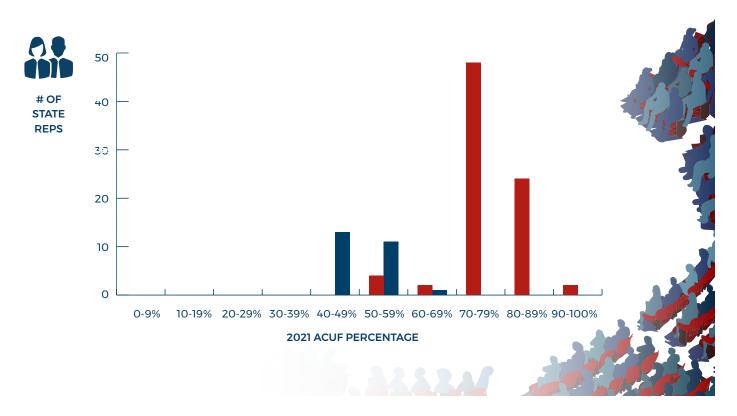




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ALLEN, WES	R	89	75%	n/a	72 %	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	Х	Х	+	+	Х	-	+	+	X	+	-	Х	+	+
ALMOND, CYNTHIA	R	63	n/a†	n/a	n/a	+	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х	х
BAKER, ALAN	R	66	76%	50%	61%	+	-	+	Х	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	Х	+	Х	+	+	+	х
BALL, MIKE	R	10	7 1%	50%	63%	+	-	+	-	+	Х	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	Х	-	Х	+	+	Х	+	+
BEDSOLE, RUSSELL	R	49	75%	n/a	75%	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	Х	+	+	-	+	+	+
BLACKSHEAR, CHRIS	R	80	75%	50%	63%	Х	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
Boyd, Barbara	D	32	48%	44%	43%	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
Bracy, Napoleon	D	98	48%	44%	37%	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
BROWN, CHIP	R	105	86%	50%	67%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
BROWN, K. L.	R	40	7 1%	50%	62%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
CARNS, JIM	R	48	90%	75%	70%	+	Х	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Chestnut, Prince	D	67	50%	50%	48%	-	-	Х	-	Х	+	+	-	-	+	Х	Х	-	+	Х	-	-	+	+	+	+
Clarke, Adline	D	97	55%	50%	46%	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	Х	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+
CLOUSE, STEVE	R	93	7 1%	50%	65%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
Coleman, Merika	D	57	45%	44%	36%	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	Х	+	+	+	+
COLLINS, TERRI	R	8	71%	50%	65%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
CRAWFORD, DANNY	R	5	7 1%	50%	59%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+
Daniels, Anthony	D	53	47 %	43%	45%	Х	-	Х	-	Х	+	-	-	-	+	+	Х	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
DISMUKES, WILL	R	88	7 8%	n/a	69%	+	-	Х	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	Х	+	-	+	+	+	+	Х	+

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DRAKE, DICKIE	R	45	65%	60%	62%	Х	-	+	Х	Х	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	Х	+	+	+	+
Drummond, Barbara	D	103	56%	44%	45%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	Х	-	+	-	-	Х	+	+	Х	+
EASTERBROOK, BRETT	R	65	76%	40%	61%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+
ELLIS, CORLEY	R	41	75%	50%	64%	+	-	+	Х	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
England, Christopher	D	70	48%	43%	39%	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
ESTES, TRACY	R	17	67%	50%	61%	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
FARLEY, ALLEN	R	15	75%	57%	65%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	Х	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
FAULKNER, DAVID	R	46	75%	50%	61%	+	-	+	+	+	Х	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
FAUST, JOE	R	94	76%	50%	63%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
FINCHER, BOB	R	37	84%	67%	61%	+	-	+	+	Х	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	Х	+	+	+
Forte, Berry	D	84	56%	43%	41%	Х	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	Х	-	-	Х	+	+	+	+
GARRETT, DANNY	R	44	84%	70%	65%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	Х	+	+	+	Х	+	+
GASTON, VICTOR	R	100	70%	50%	62%	Х	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
Givan, Juandalynn	D	60	44%	38%	38%	Х	-	Х	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	Х	+	-	+	+
Gray, Jeremy	D	83	53%	38%	45%	-	-	Х	Х	+	+	Х	-	-	+	+	х	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
GREER, LYNN	R	2	7 8%	50%	67%	Х	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	Х	+	+	+	-	+	Х	+	+	+	+	+	+
Grimsley, Dexter	D	85	47 %	57%	37%	-	-	+	-	+	Х	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	Х	+	+
Hall, Laura	D	19	50%	43%	35%	-	-	Х	Х	+	+	Х	-	-	+	Х	х	-	+	-	-	Х	+	Х	+	+
HANES, JAMES	R	23	85%	86%	66%	+	+	+	Х	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
HARBISON, COREY	R	12	83%	75%	67%	+	Х	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	Х	Х	+	+
Hassell, Kenyatté	D	78	n/a†	n/a	n/a	-	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
Hatcher, Kirk	D	26	n/a†	n/a	n/a	Х	Х	+	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	-	Х	Х	х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
HILL, JIM	R	50	7 4%	56%	60%	Х	-	+	Х	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
Hollis, Rolanda	D	58	53%	38%	50%	-	-	+	-	+	+	Х	-	-	+	+	х	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
HOLMES, MIKE	R	31	80%	71%	69%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	Х	+	Х	+	-	Х	Х	+	+	-	Х	+	х
Howard, Ralph	D	72	43%	44%	37%	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
HURST, STEVE	R	35	7 1%	50%	63%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
INGRAM, REED	R	75	7 1%	50%	56%	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

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ISBELL, GIL	R	28	80%	50%	66%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	х	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
Jackson, Thomas	D	68	45%	44%	38%	-	-	Х	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
JONES, MIKE	R	92	84%	56%	61%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	Х	+	х	+	+	+	+	+	+
Jones, Sam	D	99	47 %	44%	47 %	-	-	Х	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	Х	-	Х	+	Х	-	-	+	+	+	+
KIEL, JAMIE	R	18	7 1%	56%	65%	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
KITCHENS, WES	R	27	80%	56%	69%	+	-	+	Х	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Lawrence, Kelvin	D	69	50%	43%	44%	-	-	Х	-	Х	+	-	Х	-	+	+	х	-	+	Х	-	Х	+	х	+	+
LEDBETTER, NATHANIEL	R	24	72 %	63%	60%	+	-	+	Х	+	Х	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	х	+
LEE, PAUL	R	86	76%	50%	63%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
LIPSCOMB, B. CRAIG	R	30	80%	7 1%	74%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	Х	+	+	+
LOVVORN, JOE	R	79	7 8%	50%	60%	Х	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	х	х	+	+	+	+	+	+
MARQUES, RHETT	R	91	80%	50%	66%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	Х	+	+	+
Mccampbell, Artis	D	71	56%	43%	38%	Х	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	Х	+	X	х	-	+	-	-	Х	+	+	+	+
Mcclammy, Thad	D	76	n/a†	44%	35%	Х	-	+	-	+	Х	Х	-	-	Х	X	Х	-	Х	-	-	Х	Х	х	+	+
MCCUTCHEON, MAC	R	25	76%	50%	65%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
MCMILLAN, STEVE	R	95	7 1%	44%	65%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
MEADOWS, CHARLOTTE	R	74	83%	56%	69%	Х	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	х	+	+	Х	+	+	+
MOONEY, ARNOLD	R	43	79%	86%	68%	+	+	+	Х	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	х	+	+
Moore, Mary	D	59	n/a†	n/a	37%	-	-	Х	-	Х	+	-	X	Х	+	-	-	X	Х	Х	X	Х	+	х	х	+
MOORE, PARKER	R	4	75%	50%	66%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	х	+	+
Morris, Tashina	D	77	44%	44%	48%	-	-	х	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	Х	-	+	-	-	Х	+	+	+	+
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PASCHAL, KENNETH	R	73	n/a†	n/a	n/a	+	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х	Х	х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	х
PETTUS, PHILLIP	R	1	7 1%	40%	55%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
POOLE, BILL	R	63	7 4%	60%	63%	х	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	х	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
PRINGLE, CHRIS	R	101	7 1%	50%	60%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
Rafferty, Neil	D	54	44%	50%	47 %	-	-	Х	-	+	Х	Х	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
REYNOLDS, REX	R	21	81%	50%	66%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
RICH, KERRY	R	26	7 1%	50%	62%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
ROBBINS, BEN	R	33	85%	n/a	85%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	Х	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
ROBERTSON, PRONCEY	R	7	75%	50%	65%	+	-	+	+	Х	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
Rogers, John	D	52	50%	43%	39%	-	-	х	-	+	+	-	-	х	+	+	-	-	х	х	-	Х	+	+	+	+
ROWE, CONNIE	R	13	80%	50%	58%	+	-	+	Х	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
SANDERFORD, HOWARD	R	20	7 1%	56%	64%	Х	-	+	-	Х	+	+	+	-	+	+	Х	-	+	-	+	+	Х	+	+	+
Scott, Rod	D	55	65%	50%	39%	-	-	+	Х	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	х	-	Х	+	+	х	+	+
SELLS, CHRIS	R	90	80%	50%	63%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	х	+	+	+	+	+	+
SHAVER, GINNY	R	39	75%	56%	65%	Х	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
SHEDD, RANDALL	R	11	75%	50%	58%	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	Х	+	+	+
SHIVER, HARRY	R	64	76%	50%	64%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
SIMPSON, MATT	R	96	81%	50%	65%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
SMITH, IVAN	R	42	85%	56%	70%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	Х	+	+	+	+	+	+
SORRELL, ANDREW	R	3	100%	90%	88%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
SORRELLS, JEFF	R	87	7 4%	50%	61%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	Х	+	+	Х	+	+	+
SOUTH, KYLE	R	16	75%	50%	63%	+	-	+	Х	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
STADTHAGEN, SCOTT	R	9	7 1%	50%	62%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+
STANDRIDGE, DAVID	R	34	85%	50%	62%	+	Х	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
STRINGER, SHANE	R	102	80%	56%	66%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	Х	+	+
SULLIVAN, RODNEY	R	61	80%	50%	66%	Х	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
TREADAWAY, ALLEN	R	51	78%	44%	64%	+	-	+	Х	Х	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	Х	+	+	+	+	+	+

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WADSWORTH, TIM	R	14	7 1%	67%	69%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
Warren, Pebblin	D	82	58%	44%	40%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	Х	-	+	-	-	Х	+	+	+	+
WHEELER, DAVID	R	47	86%	75%	76%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
WHITT, ANDY	R	6	89%	40%	66%	+	х	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	Х	+	-	+	х	+	+	+	+	+	+
WHORTON, RITCHIE	R	22	79%	50%	65%	+	х	+	-	х	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
WILCOX, MARGIE	R	104	81%	50%	65%	+	х	+	х	х	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	х	+	+	+	Х	+	+
WINGO, RICH	R	62	75%	57%	61%	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	Х	+	+
WOOD, DEBBIE	R	38	75%	50%	63%	+	-	+	Х	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
WOOD, RANDY	R	36	72%	50%	61%	Х	-	+	Х	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	Х	+	+	+	+	+	+

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ALABAMA HOUSE VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

- 1. SB 15 (2nd Special Session) Requiring Parental Permission for Child COVID-19 Vaccinations. This bill strengthens parental rights by requiring parental consent for a minor to receive a COVID-19 vaccination. Additionally, schools may not inquire into the COVID-19 vaccination status of a minor student without parental consent. ACU supports strengthening parental rights and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on November 4, 2021 by a vote of 65-23.
- 2. SB 27 Imposing New Anti-Competitive Barriers in the Auction Industry. This bill further worsens the state's draconian licensing regime for auctioneers. Under the bill, aspiring auctioneers must now complete 85 hours of classroom instruction, and post a \$10,000 surety bond among a number of new barriers. Furthermore, the bill potentially prevents anyone with any type of previous criminal conviction from becoming an auctioneer by now requiring the disclosure of all convictions (previously just felony and certain misdemeanor). ACU Foundation's Nolan Center for Justice is a leading voice on this issue and works to reduce recidivism by reducing unnecessary barriers to employment. ACU opposes the proliferation of licensing mandates which are primarily designed to reduce competition and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on April 29, 2021 by a vote of 93-4 and the bill was signed into law.
- 3. SB 30 Reopening the Economy Through COVID-19 Liability Protections. This bill helps protect businesses from frivolous litigation pertaining to COVID-19 exposure. Under the bill, businesses would be protected from civil liability for damages or injuries resulting from exposure to COVID-19 as long as the exposure was not the result of "want, reckless, willful, or intentional misconduct." ACU supports this critical measure to help allow businesses to reopen by protecting them from frivolous litigation and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on February 11, 2021 by a vote of 86-4 and the bill was signed into law.
- 4. SB 97 Providing a Legislative Check on the Governor's Emergency Power. This bill provides a legislative check on executive branch emergency power. Specifically, the bill provides legislature greater oversight of the executive branch's orders, including those relating to pandemics such as COVID-19. ACU supports protecting constitutional rights, supports the ability of Americans to manage their own risk related to illnesses, believes that many of government's reactions to COVID-19 have done more harm than good and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on May 17, 2021 by a vote of 41-44.
- 5. SB 126 Expanding Competition and Consumer Choice by Allowing Delivery of Alcoholic Beverages. This bill expands consumer choice and competition by permitting licensed businesses to deliver alcoholic beverages, within limits. Specifically, the bill allows delivery of sealed containers of beer, wine, and spirits to consumers' homes, as long as alcoholic beverages are delivered within a 24-hour window and are in accordance with container restrictions. Businesses would need to apply for a license, provide proof of insurance, and possess a method to verify that customers are over 21 years of age. The bill also provides a pathway for third party deliveries (i.e., goPuff, Instacart, etc.). ACU supports expanding individual liberties and eliminating unnecessary, anti-competitive regulations that restrict consumer choice and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on April 1, 2021 by a vote of 79-12 and the bill was signed into law.
- 6. SB 160 Strengthening "Food Freedom" by Expanding Opportunities for Cottage Food Sales. This bill strengthens entrepreneurship by expanding opportunities for individuals to sell and purchase certain homemade food and drink products. The bill allows home-based food businesses to sell their products online, by phone, and in person and deliver the products directly, by mail, or through third-party couriers. Additionally, the bill removes the limit on the amount of income that business owners can derive from home-based food businesses. Despite labeling requirements that are implemented in this bill, ACU supports the main provisions of the bill that strengthens "food freedom" and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on May 6, 2021 by a vote of 97-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 7. HB 167 Reducing Voter Fraud Through a Prohibition on Voting in Multiple States. This bill is designed to combat vote fraud and strengthen election integrity by making it a criminal violation to vote in Alabama and at least one other state in the same election. Under existing law, it is prohibited to vote more than once in Alabama in the same election. This bill expands the violation of state law to include voting in Alabama and another state in the same election, such as a presidential election. ACUF's Center to Protect Voters and their Voices is a leader in rebuilding the safeguards of our election systems and ensuring that every legal vote counts. ACU supports strengthening election integrity and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on May 6, 2021 by a vote of 83-15 and the bill was signed into law.



- 8. HB 184 Infringing Privacy Rights by Creating a Mandatory Government Vaccine Database. This bill undermines personal health privacy by mandating healthcare providers report all vaccination records to a government database. ACU recognizes the state already has a voluntary registry for individuals who wish to share and record their vaccination history. ACU opposes this clear attack on privacy rights (which may have the unintended consequence of reducing vaccinations) and further growing the government surveillance state and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 16, 2021 by a vote of 73-27. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
- 9. HB 192 Expanding Cronyism and Racial Discrimination Through a Government Central Planning Tax Exemption Scheme. This bill, which proponents tout will "create jobs," simply serves as a mechanism to enrich special interests and select industries while shifting their tax burdens to other everyday Alabamans who are not favored by government. Under the bill, over \$350 million is provided annually to numerous special interests including pharmaceutical and agricultural companies, foreign vehicle manufacturers, and other industries who retain the top lobbyists such as "Big Tech". Additionally, the bill annually doles out \$20 million in taxpayer funds to "economic development organizations" to advance government central planning in the marketplace. Finally, the bill advances government racial and sexual discrimination by prioritizing subsidies to companies owned by "a woman, or an African American". ACU recognizes the hundreds of millions in subsidies could have instead been used to reduce tax burdens for all companies, with the free-market instead of lobbyists driving investment, resulting in multiple times more jobs. ACU opposes this blatant cronyism and government sanctioned racial and sexual discrimination and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 4, 2021 by a vote of 94-1 and the bill was signed into law.
- 10. SB 210 Strengthening Property Rights by Limiting Asset Forfeiture. This bill strengthens property rights by establishing stronger due process protections for property owners subject to civil asset forfeiture. Additionally, the bill limits seizures of cash to more than \$250 and vehicles worth \$5,000 or more. ACUF's Nolan Center for Justice is a national leader in criminal justice reform and works to cut crime, reduce taxpayer costs, protect victims, define the proper scope of government, and responsibly reduce incarceration rates. ACU supports strong protections against asset forfeiture abuse, believes a criminal conviction should be required in order to forfeit an individual's property and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on May 17, 2021 by a vote of 102-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 11. HB 235 Empowering Businesses to Make Their Own Policies Concerning Dogs in Outdoor Dining Areas. This bill provides restaurants freedom to establish their own policies concerning dogs in outdoor dining areas by amending a provision in law which prohibited dogs in retail food establishments. Under the bill, a restaurant may permit dogs in outdoor dining areas. ACU supports empowering private businesses to establish their own policies regarding pets on their premises and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on February 25, 2021 by a vote of 88-8 and the bill was signed into law.
- 12. HB 237 Protecting Children Who Survive Abortion. This bill, known as "Gianna's Law", protects life by requiring physicians to provide appropriate medical care to children born alive following an abortion or attempted abortion. Specifically, the bill stipulates that the physician shall exercise the same degree of professional skill, care, and diligence to preserve the life and health of the child born alive following an abortion. ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions on the practice and supported this amendment. The House passed the bill on March 18, 2021 by a vote of 76-12 and the bill was signed into law.
- 13. HB 249 Increasing Health Insurance Premiums Through Price Controls on Insulin Copayments. This bill drives up health insurance premiums for everyone through a new price control on insulin drug insurance copayments. Specifically, the bill prohibits health insurers from charging more than a \$100 copayment for a 30-day supply of insulin. ACU recognizes that this price control on insurance and other mandates only drive-up premium costs, thereby harming the affordability of insurance for everyone. ACU opposes price controls which lead to higher insurance costs for everyone and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 9, 2021 by a vote of 98-1 and the bill was signed into law.
- 14. SB 264 Strengthening Property Rights by Legalizing Nighttime Hunting of Swine and Coyotes. This bill strengthens property rights by allowing the night-time hunting of feral swine and coyotes which have harmed the livestock of many farmers. Under current law, it is unlawful to take, capture, or kill any bird or animal protected by the law during nighttime hours. This bill would exempt feral swine and coyotes from the prohibition, allowing them to be hunted on privately owned or leased lands at nighttime during specified hunting season dates or with the appropriate license. ACU supports strengthening property rights, supports this expansion of individual liberties and the right to hunt and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on April 13, 2021 by a vote of 92-0 and the bill was signed into law.



- 15. HB 273 Advancing the State's War on Individual Liberties and Nicotine by Raising the Age to 21. This bill violates individual liberties by prohibiting adults under age 21 from purchasing tobacco, nicotine, or vaping and e-cigarette products such as Juul. This bill is a result of efforts by the federal government to strong-arm states by threatening to withhold Federal Substance Abuse Prevention and Treatment Block Grant funding if they do not come into compliance with the new federal nicotine law. ACU believes tobacco and nicotine usage is a personal liberty issue, believes those who are old enough to fight for our country are old enough to decide whether to use these products and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 6, 2021 by a vote of 58-25 and the bill was signed into law.
- 16. HB 285 Strengthening Ballot Integrity Through Election Reform. This bill strengthens election integrity and helps combat vote fraud by prohibiting the placement of unsecured voting machines outside of polling places and disallowing the ability to take ballots into or out of designated voting places. Additionally, the bill bans election workers from setting up curbside voting without legislative approval. ACUF's Center to Protect Voters and their Voices is a leading voice on this issue and rebuilding the safeguards of our election systems and ensuring that every legal vote counts. ACU supports strengthening election integrity by implementing safeguards that combat vote fraud and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on March 18, 2021 by a vote of 74-25 and the bill was signed into law.
- 17. HB 391 Protecting Girl's Athletics from Competition with Boys. This bill protects the institution of girl's athletics by requiring all public K-12 schools to maintain separate competition for female and male students. Under the bill, a biological female may not participate on a male team if there is a female team in the sport, and a biological male may never participate on a female team. As a result, biological males who identify as females (or vice versa) may not compete with individuals of a different sex, unless the competition is designated coed. ACU believes all individuals should be treated with dignity and respect and have the same opportunities under the law. ACU also recognizes that there are numerous standard classifications in sports (such as age, weight, etc.) to ensure fair competition. Therefore, ACU supports ensuring fair competition among teams competing across the state and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on April 15, 2021 by a vote of 76-13 and the bill was signed into law.
- 18. SB 397 Expanding Business Growth by Permitting Wineries in Dry Counties. This bill slightly expands individual liberties and the free-market by permitting wineries to open and operate in dry counties (i.e., a county where the sale of alcoholic beverages is prohibited.) Under the bill, the Alabama ABC Board may issue a permit for a winery to operate in a dry county, however, wine may only be distributed by the winery for consumption outside of the dry county. Wine manufactured in a dry county may be sold, shipped, or delivered to a licensed wine distributor in Alabama or a legal distributor outside of the state. ACU supports strengthening individual liberties and a freer market in the alcoholic beverage industry and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on May 17, 2021 by a vote of 85-9 and the bill was signed into law.
- 19. HB 404 Allowing College Athletes to Profit from their Own Names, Image and Likeness. This bill permits student athletes within the NCAA and other athletic associations to receive compensation if their name, image, or likeness are used in commercials, videogames, apparel, and other uses as long as the deals do not conflict with team contracts. ACU recognizes that the NCAA has effectively become a quasi-government agency whose members are the highest paid government employees in the country who use their governmental power to harm private citizens. ACU supports the ability of athletes to receive compensation for their name, image, and likeness and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on April 15, 2021 by a vote of 85-2 and the bill was signed into law.
- 20. HB 408 Expanding Employment Opportunities by Clarifying Worker Classification. This bill expands employment opportunities by clarifying in which working circumstances individuals are considered to be either employees or independent contractors. This bill adopts the Internal Revenue Service's 20-factor test to determine classification as an independent contract. As a result, workers and employers are afforded greater regulatory certainty, thus providing business owners more flexibility to make greater investments in the workforce. ACU supports expanding employment opportunities by providing greater clarity in employment law and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on March 11, 2021 by a vote of 99-0 and the bill was signed into law.



21. HB 446 Protecting Property Owners from Local Bans of Natural Gas. This bill strengthens property rights by ensuring localities cannot infringe the utility choices of developers and property owners. Under the bill, a locality may not deny a building permit or impose a regulatory barrier on a utility hook-up solely due to the type of utility service proposed. This bill is in response to local governments in California, Washington, and Massachusetts which have banned natural gas in new residential developments. ACU supports all sources of energy, believes government should not favor one source of energy over another and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on April 27, 2021 by a vote of 101-0 and the bill was signed into law.