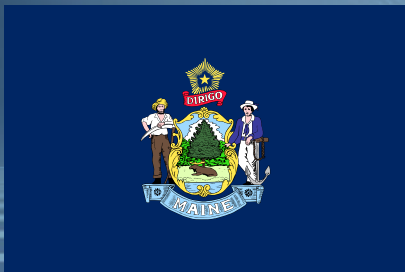


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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

The American Conservative Union Foundation's Center for Legislative Accountability is proud to present our *Ratings of Maine* 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.



Matt Schlapp
 Chairman
 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


ANALYZE
105,000
BILLS


SELECT
2,000
BILLS


RATE
8,000
ELECTED
OFFICIALS

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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2021 WINNERS & LOSERS

90-100% AWARD FOR CONSERVATIVE EXCELLENCE

No change since last year*

SENATE

n/a

17 since last year*

HOUSE

ANDREWS, JOHN	CONNOR, JONATHAN	GIFFORD, JEFFERY	KINNEY, MARYANNE	PERKINS, MICHAEL	UNDERWOOD, JOSEPH
ARATA, AMY	COSTAIN, DANNY	GREENWOOD, RANDALL	LEMELIN, MICHAEL	PICKETT, RICHARD	WADSWORTH, NATHAN
AUSTIN, SUSAN	DILLINGHAM, KATHLEEN	GRIFFIN, ABIGAIL	LIBBY, LAUREL	QUINT, TRACY	WHITE, DUSTIN
BERNARD, SUSAN	DOLLOFF, JOSANNE	HAGGAN, DAVID	LYFORD, PETER	RUDNICKI, SHELLEY	
BICKFORD, BRUCE	DOWNES, KATHY	HALL, RANDALL	LYMAN, SHEILA	SAMPSON, HEIDI	
BLIER, MARK	DRINKWATER, GARY	HANLEY, JEFFERY	MASON, RICHARD	SKOLFIELD, THOMAS	
BRADSTREET, RICHARD	DUCHARME, JOHN	HARRINGTON, MATTHEW	MILLETT, SAWIN	STANLEY, PEGGY	
CARMICHAEL, MELDON	FAULKINGHAM, BILLY	HEAD, FRANCES	MORRIS, JOSHUA	STEARNS, PAUL	
COLLAMORE, AMANDA	PECTEAU, JUSTIN	HUTCHINS, SHERMAN	O'CONNOR, BETH	STETKIS, JOEL	
	FOSTER, STEVEN	JOHANSEN, CHRIS	ORDWAY, LESTER	THORNE, JAMES	
			PARRY, WAYNE		

80-89% AWARD FOR CONSERVATIVE ACHIEVEMENT

5 since last year*

SENATE

BLACK, RUSSELL	MOORE, MARIANNE
CYRWAY, SCOTT	POULIOT, MATTHEW
FARRIN, BRADLEE	STEWART, HAROLD
GUERIN, STACEY	TIMBERLAKE, JEFFREY
KEIM, LISA	

7 since last year*

HOUSE

CARLOW, NATHAN	POIRIER, JENNIFER
KRYZAK, THEODORE	THERIAULT, TIMOTHY
NADEAU, CATHY	TUELL, WILLIAM
NEWMAN, DANIEL	

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



 **≤ 10%** COALITION OF THE RADICAL LEFT

↓ 8 since last year*

SENATE

- Bailey, Donna
- Breen, Catherine
- Chipman, Benjamin
- Deschambault, Susan
- Dill, James
- Libby, Nathan
- Maxmin, Chloe
- Miramant, David

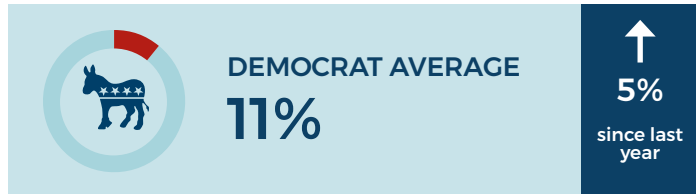
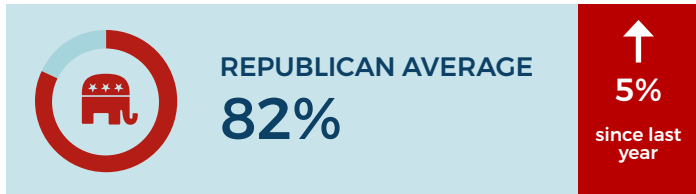
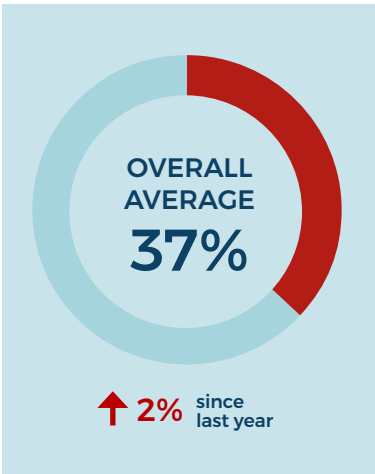
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Babbidge, Christopher	Crafts, Lydia	Harnett, Thom	Meyer, Michele	Rielly, Morgan	Tuttle, John
Bailey, Kyle	Craven, Margaret	Hasenfus, Tavis	Millett, Rebecca	Roberts, Tiffany	Warren, Charlotte
Bell, Arthur	Crockett, Edward	Hepler, Allison	Morales, Victoria	Roeder, Amy	Warren, Sophia
Berry, Seth	Cuddy, Scott	Hymanson, Patricia	Moriarty, Stephen	Sachs, Melanie	Williams, Lynne
Blume, Lydia	Dodge, Janice	Kessler, Christopher	O'Connell, Kevin	Salisbury, Suzanne	Wood, Barbara
Brennan, Michael	Doore, Donna	Lookner, Grayson	O'Neil, Margaret	Sheehan, Erin	Zager, Samuel
Brooks, Heidi	Doudera, Victoria	Madigan, Colleen	Osher, Laurie	Stover, Holly	Zeigler, Stanley Paige
Bryant, Mark	Evans, Richard	Mathieson, Kristi	Pebworth, Sarah	Supica, Laura	
Caiazzo, Christopher	Fecteau, Ryan	Matlack, Ann	Perry, Anne	Sylvester, Michael	
Cardone, Barbara	Geiger, Valli	McCrea, David	Perry, Joseph	Talbot Ross, Rachel	
Cloutier, Kristen	Gere, Traci	McCreight, Joyce	Pierce, Teresa	Tepler, Denise	
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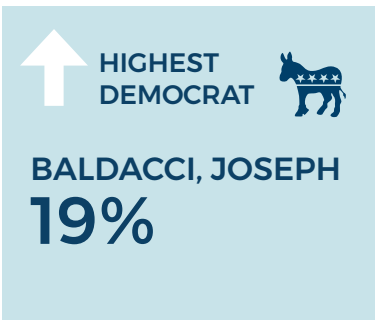
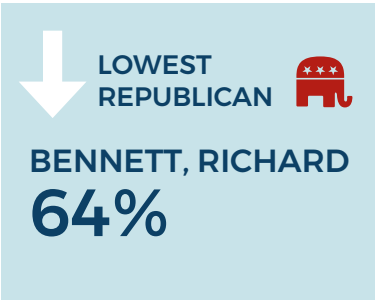
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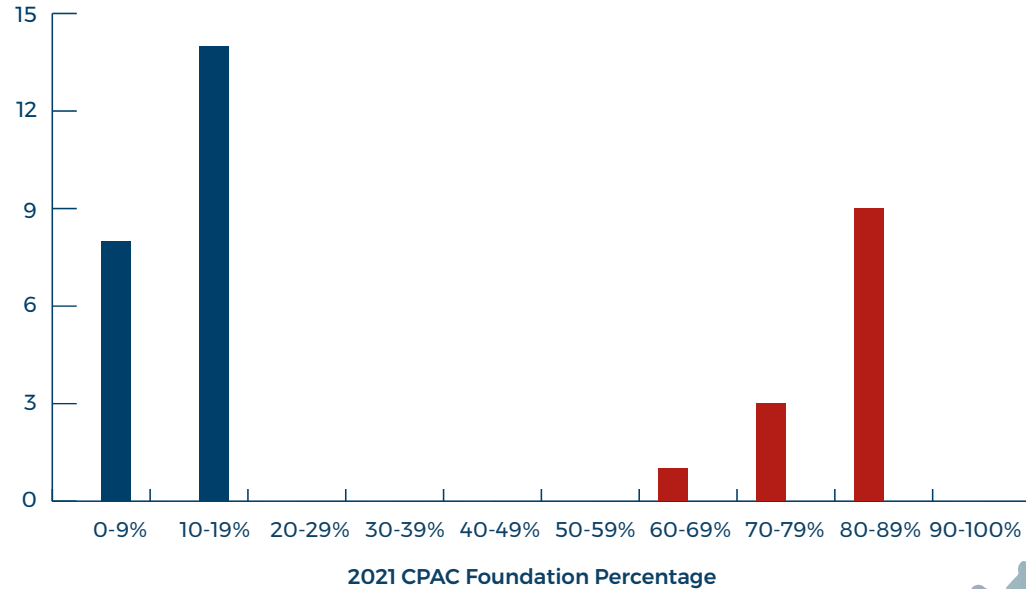
MAINE SENATE CONSERVATIVE RATINGS

RED = REPUBLICANS
13 TOTAL IN SENATE

BLUE = DEMOCRATS
22 TOTAL IN SENATE



OF STATE SENATORS





MAINE SENATE SCORES

MAINE SENATE VOTE DETAIL

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Bailey, Donna	D	31	8%	5%	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Baldacci, Joseph	D	9	19%	n/a	19%	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
BENNETT, RICHARD	R	19	64%	n/a	64%	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	
BLACK, RUSSELL	R	17	89%	74%	85%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	
Breen, Catherine	D	25	8%	3%	7%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Brenner, Stacy	D	30	14%	n/a	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Carney, Anne	D	29	11%	5%	8%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Chipman, Benjamin	D	27	0%	3%	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Claxton, Ned	D	20	11%	3%	7%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Curry, Glenn	D	11	14%	n/a	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
CYRWAY, SCOTT	R	16	81%	74%	71%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	
Daughtry, Matthea	D	24	11%	3%	7%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DAVIS, PAUL	R	4	78%	74%	75%	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	

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- LD 927 Reducing Health Care Costs and Increasing Competition by Repealing Certain "Certificate of Need" Requirements (Motion to Defeat).
- LD 985 Combatting Executive Overreach by Requiring Legislative Approval for State of Emergencies over 60 Days (Motion to Defeat).
- LD 999 Establishing a Costly and Burdensome Barrier to Exercise Second Amendment Rights - Private Party Background Checks (Motion to Defeat).
- LD 1045 Advancing a Socialized Healthcare System - Maine Health Care Plan.
- LD 1115 Increasing Health Insurance Premiums by Mandating "Free" HIV Drugs.
- LD 1117 Reducing Innovation by Imposing Price Controls on Prescription Drugs (Motion to Override Veto).
- LD 1138 Strengthening the "Stand Your Ground" Self-Defense Law (Motion to Defeat).
- LD 1200 Interfering in Private-Sector Business Operations by Mandating Gender Quotas.
- LD 1217 Interfering in the Private Marketplace by Forcing Businesses to Accept Cash (Motion to Defeat).
- LD 1229 Protecting Life by Requiring an Ultrasound be Performed Prior to the Abortion of Unborn Children (Motion to Defeat).
- LD 1252 Improving Access to Affordable Childcare by Increasing the Number of Children a Provider May Care For (Motion to Defeat).
- LD 1315 Protecting Second Amendment Rights During a Declared State of Emergency (Motion to Defeat).
- LD 1343 Expanding School Choice Through the Creation of an Education Savings Account (ESA) Program (Motion to Defeat).
- LD 1371 Expanding the Free Competition of Gold and Silver Currencies Through a Sales Tax Exemption (Motion to Defeat).
- LD 1403 Protecting Businesses from Lawsuit Abuse Related to COVID-19 (Motion to Defeat).
- LD 1411 Increasing Taxpayer Costs and Enriching Unions Through the Protectionist Buy American Build Maine Act (Motion to Override).
- LD 1521 Strengthening Property Rights by Limiting Civil Asset Forfeiture Abuse.
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Deschambault, Susan	D	32	9%	9%	10%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	X	+	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Diamond, Bill	D	26	17%	22%	17%	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	
Dill, James	D	5	8%	11%	12%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	
FARRIN, BRADLEE	R	3	86%	85%	90%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	
GUERIN, STACEY	R	10	86%	86%	86%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	+	X	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	
Hickman, Craig	D	14	11%	18%	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jackson, Troy	D	1	14%	12%	10%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
KEIM, LISA	R	18	86%	77%	77%	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	
Lawrence, Mark	D	35	12%	6%	8%	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	+	-	-	X	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	
Libby, Nathan	D	21	9%	3%	5%	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X
Luchini, Louis	D	7	11%	6%	8%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maxmin, Chloe	D	13	8%	11%	10%	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Miramant, David	D	12	8%	6%	10%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MOORE, MARIANNE	R	6	84%	65%	74%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-
POULIOT, MATTHEW	R	15	86%	74%	66%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-

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MAINE SENATE VOTE DETAIL

	Party	Dist.	2021 %	2019 %	LIFETIME AVG	LD 2	LD 39	LD 61	LD 97	LD 126	LD 132	LD 148	LD 198	LD 253	LD 336	LD 498	LD 550	LD 602	LD 691	LD 748	LD 759	LD 774	LD 825	LD 927	LD 985	LD 999	LD 1045	LD 1115	LD 1117	LD 1138	LD 1200	LD 1217	LD 1229	LD 1252	LD 1315	LD 1343	LD 1371	LD 1403	LD 1411	LD 1521	LD 1640	LD 1679		
Rafferty, Joseph	D	34	14%	n/a	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
ROSEN, KIMBERLEY	R	8	78%	73%	66%	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	
Sanborn, Heather	D	28	11%	3%	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	X	-	-
STEWART, HAROLD	R	2	86%	90%	89%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-
TIMBERLAKE, JEFFREY	R	22	88%	88%	89%	X	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	+	-	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	X	-	-
Vitelli, Eloise	D	23	11%	0%	5%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WOODSOME, DAVID	R	33	77%	71%	62%	X	+	X	+	+	+	X	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	X	+	-	X	+	+	-	X	X	-	-

+ = Member voted with ACU's position † = Legislator did not vote on enough of the selected bills and as a result did not receive a rating for the 2021 session. Two-thirds of the selected bills must be voted on to receive a score.
 - = Member voted against ACU's position R = Republican D = Democrat I = Independent
 x = Member was absent for vote



MAINE SENATE VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

1. **LD 2 Advancing a Politicized Leftist Agenda by Mandating “Racial Impact Statements” for Legislation.** ACU believes in equal rights under the law for all, that it is the duty of government to ensure all laws are applied equally. ACU opposes this measure advocated by the radical Left to advance division and expand the role of government and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 11, 2021 by a vote of 25-7 and the bill was signed into law.
2. **LD 39 Repealing the Ban on Single-Use Plastic Bags (Motion to Defeat).** ACU opposes advancing a Leftist environmental agenda at the expense of businesses and consumers, believes government should instead enforce anti-littering ordinances rather than infringe individual liberties and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on April 28, 2021 by a vote of 24-11. (A “No” vote supported the ACU position.)
3. **LD 61 Further Worsening Employee Leave Mandates Placed on Private Companies.** ACU believes employers and employees should be free to negotiate their own benefits, opposes this infringement of the right to contract, which may limit the ability of employees to receive other benefits or job perks and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 9, 2021 by a vote of 21-12 and the bill was signed into law.
4. **LD 97 Ensuring the “Right to Work” without Being Forced to Pay Union Dues (Motion to Defeat).** ACU has longed supported the “right to work” and protecting employees from greedy union bosses and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on April 28, 2021 by a vote of 22-12. (A “No” vote supported the ACU position.)
5. **LD 126 Reducing Employment Barriers by Expanding the Number of Helpers Journeymen Electricians May Supervise (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports expanding competition and reducing barriers to employment through regulatory reform and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 2, 2021 by a vote of 20-14. (A “No” vote supported the ACU position.)
6. **LD 132 Advancing the Left’s Attack on Police Through New Law Enforcement Data Collection Mandates.** ACU opposes the promotion of lawlessness and the leftist notion of “defunding the police,” opposes weakening public safety and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 17, 2021 by a vote of 22-12 and the bill later became law without the Governor’s signature.
7. **LD 148 Weakening Election Integrity through Mail-In Voting.** ACU recognizes that election integrity safeguards, such as reserving absentee mail-in voting for individuals who are unable to vote in-person on Election Day, are designed to help ensure that one person cannot cast the ballot of another (or one person on behalf of many others). ACU opposes efforts to weaken the integrity of elections by introducing opportunities for voter fraud which disenfranchise legal voters and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 9, 2021 by a vote of 21-12. (The bill was carried over to the next legislative session.)
8. **LD 198 Expanding Cronyism by Providing Unions a Special Property Tax Exemption.** ACU supports a broadly applied tax code with as low of rates as possible for everyone, opposes this cronyism which shifts tax burdens to other taxpayers not favored by government and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 30, 2021 by a vote of 23-11 and the bill was signed into law.
9. **LD 253 Strengthening Election Integrity through Voter ID Requirements (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports strengthening ballot integrity and preventing vote fraud which disenfranchises legal voters and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 8, 2021 by a vote of 22-12. (A “No” vote supported the ACU position.)
10. **LD 336 Increasing Electricity Costs to Enrich Unions Through Offshore Wind Energy Construction.** ACU opposes driving up electricity costs in order to enrich unions and advance a politicized Leftist energy agenda and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 16, 2021 by a vote of 24-10 and the bill was signed into law.



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11. **LD 498 Redistributing Wealth Through a 3% Income Tax Surcharge on Incomes over \$200k to Increase EITC Welfare Payouts (Motion to Defeat).** ACU opposes this wealth redistribution scheme which harms economic growth and increases government dependency and opposed this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 17, 2021 by a vote of 33-2. (A "Yes" vote supported the ACU position.)
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12. **LD 550 Combatting Critical Race Theory and Leftist Indoctrination at Public Schools (Motion to Defeat).** ACU opposes the Left's quest to advance CRT and other ideals designed to advance division and grow the role of government and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 8, 2021 by a vote of 22-13. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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13. **LD 602 Advancing a Politicized Environmental Agenda by Prohibiting Restaurants from Offering Plastic Straws (Motion to Defeat).** ACU believes government should enforce existing anti-littering laws in order to protect the environment, opposes efforts to intrude into private business operations to limit consumer choice and impose a politicized environmental agenda and opposed this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 3, 2021 by a vote of 23-11. (A "Yes" vote supported the ACU position.)
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14. **LD 691 Subsidizing Farmers Through Food Stamps.** ACU opposes leveraging nutrition assistance programs to enrich government-favored competitors at the expense of taxpayers and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 10, 2021 by a vote of 34-0 and the bill later became law without the Governor's signature.
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15. **LD 748 Preventing Medicaid Welfare Funds from Being Used for Abortion (Motion to Defeat).** ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions to end the practice and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 17, 2021 by a vote of 22-13. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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16. **LD 759 Weakening Self Defense through New Mandates on Firearm Storage.** ACU supports responsible and safe firearm storage, opposes this government overreach which restricts the ability of individuals to defend themselves and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 16, 2021 by a vote of 20-15 and the bill later became law without the Governor's signature.
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17. **LD 774 Protecting Employment Opportunities by Blocking Local Minimum Wage Mandates (Motion to Defeat).** ACU opposes these artificial wages which hurt those who need help with employment the most such as students and inexperienced workers and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 2, 2021 by a vote of 22-12. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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18. **LD 825 Protecting Life by Requiring Disclosure of Abortion Reversal Options (Motion to Defeat).** ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions to end the practice, supports efforts to provide crucial medical information to patients and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 16, 2021 by a vote of 22-13. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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19. **LD 927 Reducing Health Care Costs and Increasing Competition by Repealing Certain "Certificate of Need" Requirements (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports the complete elimination of Certificate of Need (CON) requirements that drive up health care costs, limit access to services and restrict competition and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate defeated the bill on June 10, 2021 by a vote of 21-13. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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20. **LD 985 Combatting Executive Overreach by Requiring Legislative Approval for State of Emergencies over 60 Days (Motion to Defeat).** Constitutional Amendment. ACU supports protecting individual liberties through this legislative check on executive overreach and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on May 19, 2021 by a vote of 21-13. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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21. **LD 999 Establishing a Costly and Burdensome Barrier to Exercise Second Amendment Rights – Private Party Background Checks (Motion to Defeat).** ACU recognizes that countless studies have found no correlation between imposing universal background checks and reducing unlawful usage of firearms. These sorts of legislative barriers do nothing to stop criminals from engaging in additional criminal behaviors; they just make it more difficult for law-abiding citizens who are not committing crimes to exercise their constitutional rights. ACU supports the founders' belief in the Second Amendment, opposes this political attack intended to prevent law-abiding citizens from accessing firearms and opposed this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 14, 2021 by a vote of 28-7. (A "Yes" vote supported the ACU position.)

 22. **LD 1045 Advancing a Socialized Healthcare System – Maine Health Care Plan.** ACU opposes the socialization of healthcare which leads to skyrocketing insurance premiums and ultimately prevents individuals from obtaining quality care and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 16, 2021 by a vote of 21-13 and the bill later became law without the Governor's signature.

 23. **LD 1115 Increasing Health Insurance Premiums by Mandating "Free" HIV Drugs.** ACU opposes insurance mandates which drive up the cost of insurance and restrict the ability of consumers to purchase the policies which best suit their needs and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 10, 2021 by a vote of 30-3.

 24. **LD 1117 Reducing Innovation by Imposing Price Controls on Prescription Drugs (Motion to Override Veto).** ACU opposes government interference in the marketplace and price control mechanisms that threaten innovation, believes the best way to lower drug prices is by fostering free-market principles in international markets and streamlining the approval process at the Federal Drug Administration and opposed this bill. The Senate failed to override the Governor's veto on July 19, 2021 by a vote of 20-14. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)

 25. **LD 1138 Strengthening the "Stand Your Ground" Self-Defense Law (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports strengthening the right of self-defense, supports the founders' belief in the Second Amendment and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 14, 2021 by a vote of 20-15. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)

 26. **LD 1200 Interfering in Private-Sector Business Operations by Mandating Gender Quotas.** ACU believes in equal rights under the law for all, vehemently opposes discrimination and believes those who discriminate will face repercussions in the marketplace. ACU opposes this measure which is designed to harass companies and foster discrimination based on sex and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 15, 2021 by a vote of 21-13 and the bill later became law without the Governor's signature.

 27. **LD 1217 Interfering in the Private Marketplace by Forcing Businesses to Accept Cash (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports the freedom of businesses to accept any form of legal payment, including cash and electronic payment systems, opposes this measure designed to enrich a special business interest and opposed this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 8, 2021 by a vote of 20-15. (A "Yes" vote supported the ACU position.)

 28. **LD 1229 Protecting Life by Requiring an Ultrasound be Performed Prior to the Abortion of Unborn Children (Motion to Defeat).** ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions to end the practice and educate mothers and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 17, 2021 by a vote of 23-12. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)

 29. **LD 1252 Improving Access to Affordable Childcare by Increasing the Number of Children a Provider May Care For (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports reducing costs and expanding access to childcare by reducing excessive regulations and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 7, 2021 by a vote of 20-13. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)

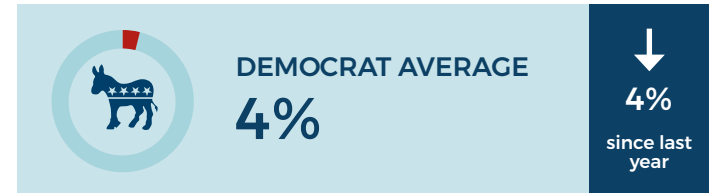
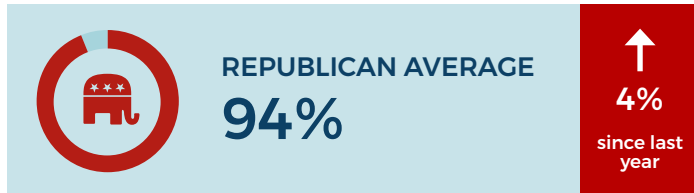
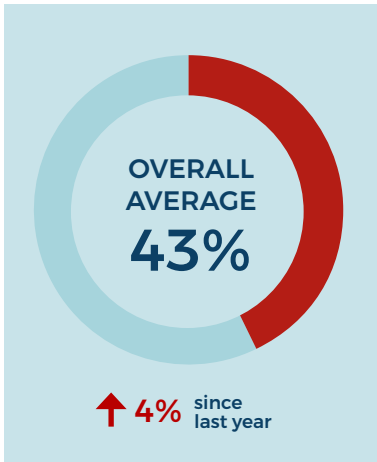
 30. **LD 1315 Protecting Second Amendment Rights During a Declared State of Emergency (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports the founders' belief in the second amendment and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 15, 2021 by a vote of 21-13. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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31. **LD 1343 Expanding School Choice Through the Creation of an Education Savings Account (ESA) Program (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports improving educational outcomes by responsibly expanding school choice and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 8, 2021 by a vote of 26-9. (A “No” vote supported the ACU position.)
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32. **LD 1371 Expanding the Free Competition of Gold and Silver Currencies Through a Sales Tax Exemption (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports the free competition of currency, believes the Federal Reserve should not have a monopoly on our money and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 7, 2021 by a vote of 21-12. (A “No” vote supported the ACU position.)
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33. **LD 1403 Protecting Businesses from Lawsuit Abuse Related to COVID-19 (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports efforts to protect businesses from frivolous litigation related to COVID-19 and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 16, 2021 by a vote of 22-13. (A “No” vote supported the ACU position.)
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34. **LD 1411 Increasing Taxpayer Costs and Enriching Unions Through the Protectionist Buy American Build Maine Act (Motion to Override).** ACU opposes protectionist mandates which unnecessarily drive-up taxpayer costs and are primarily designed to enrich unions and other special interest groups and opposed this bill. The Senate failed to override the veto on July 19, 2021 by a vote of 19-15 and the veto was sustained. (A “No” vote supported the ACU position.)
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35. **LD 1521 Strengthening Property Rights by Limiting Civil Asset Forfeiture Abuse.** 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. The Senate passed the bill on June 17, 2021 by a vote of 33-0 and the bill later became law without the Governor’s signature.
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36. **LD 1640 Strengthening Free Speech Protections on College Campuses (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports the freedom of speech as protected under the First Amendment and supported this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on June 9, 2021 by a vote of 22-11. (A “No” vote supported the ACU position.)
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37. **LD 1679 Increasing Government Dependency by Studying the Expansion of “Free” School Lunches to All Students.** ACU opposes weakening educational outcomes by forcing schools to divert resources from essential education initiatives, opposes increasing taxpayer burdens to provide “free” breakfast to children of wealthy families and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 7, 2021 by a vote of 33-0. (The bill was carried over to the next legislative session.)
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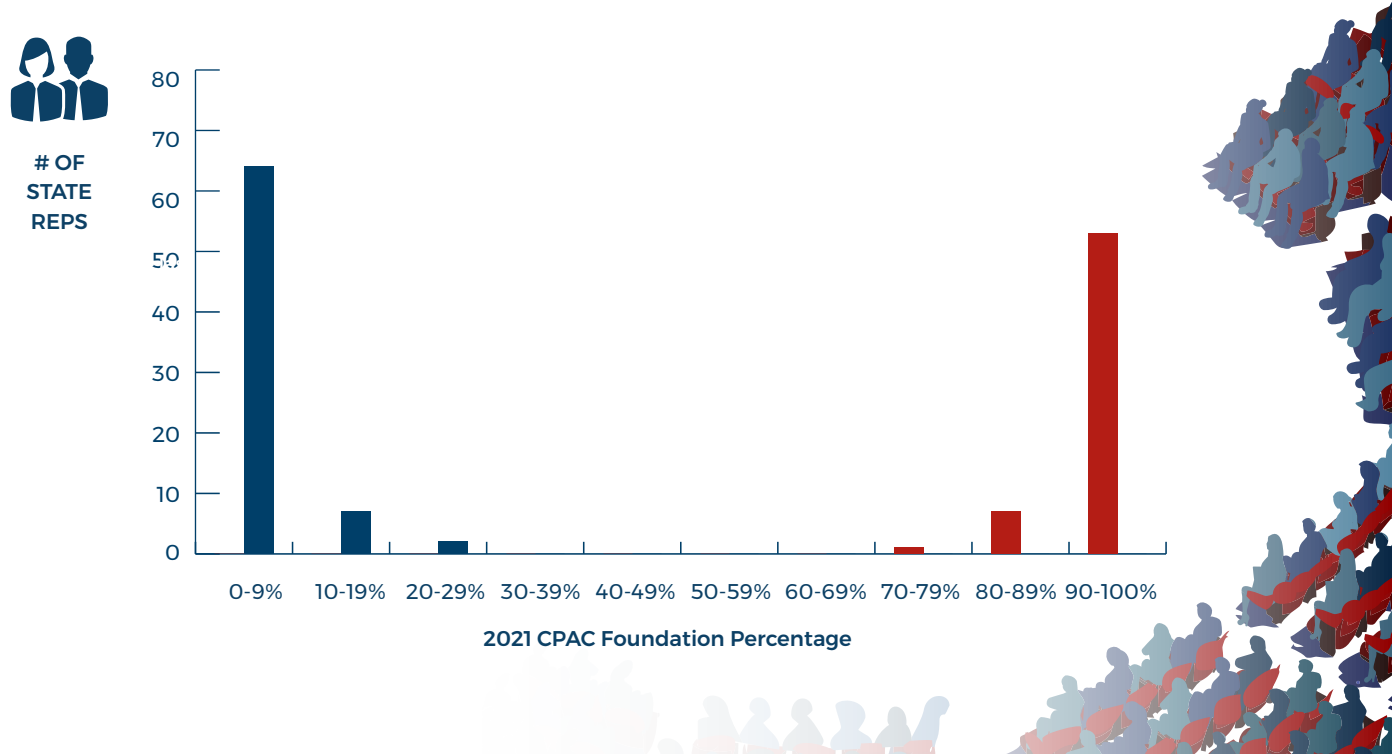
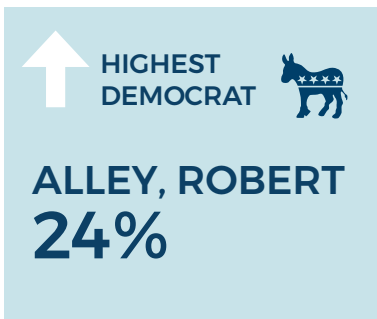
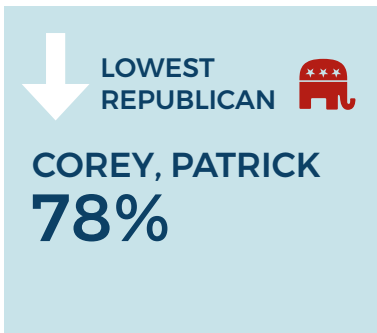
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MAINE HOUSE CONSERVATIVE RATINGS

RED = REPUBLICANS
67 TOTAL IN HOUSE

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80 TOTAL IN HOUSE





MAINE HOUSE VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

1. **LD 17 Increasing Government Dependency by Expanding Medicaid to Include Nonmedical Transportation Services.** ACU supports efforts to help people live happier, healthier, more productive lives, opposes measures that expand dependence on government, which leads to intergenerational poverty, and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 7, 2021 by a vote of 107-34. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
2. **LD 39 Repealing the Ban on Single-Use Plastic Bags (Motion to Defeat).** ACU opposes advancing a Leftist environmental agenda at the expense of businesses and consumers, believes government should instead enforce anti-littering ordinances rather than infringe individual liberties and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on April 28, 2021 by a vote of 81-49. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
3. **LD 61 Further Worsening Employee Leave Mandates Placed on Private Companies.** ACU believes employers and employees should be free to negotiate their own benefits, opposes this infringement of the right to contract, which may limit the ability of employees to receive other benefits or job perks and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 11, 2021 by a vote of 88-55 and the bill was signed into law.
4. **LD 97 Ensuring the "Right to Work" without Being Forced to Pay Union Dues (Motion to Defeat).** ACU has longed supported the "right to work" and protecting employees from greedy union bosses and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on April 28, 2021 by a vote of 85-58. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
5. **LD 107 Strengthening Election Integrity by Ensuring only U.S. Citizens are Able to Vote (Motion to Defeat).** Constitutional Amendment. ACU supports efforts to strengthen election integrity and ensuring U.S. citizens are not disenfranchised by ineligible voters and supported this resolution. The House voted to defeat the resolution on March 11, 2021 by a vote of 81-64. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
6. **LD 126 Reducing Employment Barriers by Expanding the Number of Helpers Journeymen Electricians May Supervise (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports expanding competition and reducing barriers to employment through regulatory reform and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 3, 2021 by a vote of 82-62. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
7. **LD 132 Advancing the Left's Attack on Police Through New Law Enforcement Data Collection Mandates.** ACU opposes the promotion of lawlessness and the leftist notion of "defunding the police," opposes weakening public safety and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on July 1, 2021 by a vote of 74-50 and the bill later became law without the Governor's signature.
8. **LD 148 Weakening Election Integrity through Mail-In Voting.** ACU recognizes that election integrity safeguards, such as reserving absentee mail-in voting for individuals who are unable to vote in-person on Election Day, are designed to help ensure that one person cannot cast the ballot of another (or one person on behalf of many others). ACU opposes efforts to weaken the integrity of elections by introducing opportunities for voter fraud which disenfranchise legal voters and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 8, 2021 by a vote of 80-57. (The bill was carried over to the next legislative session.)
9. **LD 195 Restricting Competition and Increasing Consumer Costs by Advancing New Licensing Mandates for General Contractors.** ACU opposes the proliferation of licensing requirements that reduce available services, raise consumer costs, and are primarily designed to restrict competition and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 7, 2021 by a vote of 81-60 and the bill later became law without the Governor's signature.
10. **LD 253 Strengthening Election Integrity through Voter ID Requirements (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports strengthening ballot integrity and preventing vote fraud which disenfranchises legal voters and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 7, 2021 by a vote of 80-61. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)



11. **LD 314 Further Socializing Renewable Energy Costs by Making the Green Power Program Permanent.** ACU supports all sources of energy, does not believe government should favor one source of energy over another, opposes this measure which ultimately socializes the higher costs of renewable energy onto other ratepayers and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 11, 2021 by a vote of 90-54 and the bill was signed into law.

 12. **LD 347 Socializing the Cost of Electric Vehicle Charging Infrastructure Through a New Utility Rate Schedule.** ACU supports all vehicle propulsion systems and believes the free market and private sector is the best institution to expand electrification. ACU opposes the creation of yet another mechanism to socialize electric vehicle costs and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 30, 2021 by a vote of 81-62 and the bill was signed into law.

 13. **LD 550 Combatting Critical Race Theory and Leftist Indoctrination at Public Schools (Motion to Defeat).** ACU opposes the Left's quest to advance CRT and other ideals designed to advance division and grow the role of government and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 7, 2021 by a vote of 82-63. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)

 14. **LD 718 Providing Illegal Immigrants Taxpayer-Funded Medicaid Welfare Benefits.** ACU supports assisting the federal government in its constitutional role to enforce our nation's immigration laws, supports reserving taxpayer-funded welfare benefits for U.S. citizens and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 15, 2021 by a vote of 81-58. (The bill was carried over to the next legislative session.)

 15. **LD 748 Preventing Medicaid Welfare Funds from Being Used for Abortion (Motion to Defeat).** ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions to end the practice and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 16, 2021 by a vote of 77-65. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)

 16. **LD 759 Weakening Self Defense Through New Mandates on Firearm Storage.** ACU supports responsible and safe firearm storage, opposes this government overreach which restricts the ability of individuals to defend themselves and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 10, 2021 by a vote of 77-67 and the bill later became law without the Governor's signature.

 17. **LD 774 Protecting Employment Opportunities by Blocking Local Minimum Wage Mandates (Motion to Defeat).** ACU opposes these artificial wages which hurt those who need help with employment the most such as students and inexperienced workers and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on May 19, 2021 by a vote of 80-63. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)

 18. **LD 825 Protecting Life by Requiring Disclosure of Abortion Reversal Options (Motion to Defeat).** ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions to end the practice, supports efforts to provide crucial medical information to patients and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 16, 2021 by a vote of 80-63. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)

 19. **LD 921 Reducing Taxpayer Funded Political Campaigns by Exempting Gubernatorial Candidates from the Maine Clean Election Fund (Motion to Defeat).** ACU opposes restricting free speech and burdening taxpayers with an unnecessary expense and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House defeated the bill on June 2, 2021 by a vote of 80-53. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)

 20. **LD 926 Protecting Women's Athletics from Competition with Men (Motion to Defeat).** 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 defeated the bill on June 17, 2021 by a vote of 80-53. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)

 21. **LD 927 Reducing Health Care Costs and Increasing Competition by Repealing Certain "Certificate of Need" Requirements (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports the complete elimination of Certificate of Need (CON) requirements that drive up health care costs, limit access to services and restrict competition and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House defeated the bill on June 9, 2021 by a vote of 79-51. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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22. **LD 940 Driving Up Consumer Costs Through Appliance Energy Efficiency Mandates and Bans.** ACU opposes reducing consumer choice and increasing product costs through this measure to advance a politicized environmental agenda and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 3, 2021 by a vote of 82-62 and the bill was signed into law.
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23. **LD 985 Combatting Executive Overreach by Requiring Legislative Approval for State of Emergencies over 60 Days (Motion to Defeat).** Constitutional Amendment. ACU supports protecting individual liberties through this legislative check on executive overreach and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 2, 2021 by a vote of 77-66. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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24. **LD 999 Establishing a Costly and Burdensome Barrier to Exercise Second Amendment Rights - Private Party Background Checks.** ACU recognizes that countless studies have found no correlation between imposing universal background checks and reducing unlawful usage of firearms. These sorts of legislative barriers do nothing to stop criminals from engaging in additional criminal behaviors; they just make it more difficult for law-abiding citizens who are not committing crimes to exercise their constitutional rights. ACU supports the founders' belief in the Second Amendment, opposes this political attack intended to prevent law-abiding citizens from accessing firearms and opposed this bill. The House failed to pass the bill on June 8, 2021 by a vote of 67-77.
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25. **LD 1045 Advancing a Socialized Healthcare System - Maine Health Care Plan.** ACU opposes the socialization of healthcare which leads to skyrocketing insurance premiums and ultimately prevents individuals from obtaining quality care and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 15, 2021 by a vote of 81-58 and the bill later became law without the Governor's signature.
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26. **LD 1115 Increasing Health Insurance Premiums by Mandating "Free" HIV Drugs.** ACU opposes insurance mandates which drive up the cost of insurance and restrict the ability of consumers to purchase the policies which best suit their needs and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 10, 2021 by a vote of 83-49.
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27. **LD 1117 Reducing Innovation by Imposing Price Controls on Prescription Drugs.** ACU opposes government interference in the marketplace and price control mechanisms that threaten innovation, believes the best way to lower drug prices is by fostering free-market principles in international markets and streamlining the approval process at the Federal Drug Administration and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill with a vote of 80-60 on June 16, 2021 but the bill was vetoed by the Governor.
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28. **LD 1138 Strengthening the "Stand Your Ground" Self-Defense Law (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports strengthening the right of self-defense, supports the founders' belief in the Second Amendment and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 3, 2021 by a vote of 79-62. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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29. **LD 1200 Interfering in Private-Sector Business Operations by Mandating Gender Quotas.** ACU believes in equal rights under the law for all, vehemently opposes discrimination and believes those who discriminate will face repercussions in the marketplace. ACU opposes this measure which is designed to harass companies and foster discrimination based on sex and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 14, 2021 by a vote of 78-63 and the bill later became law without the Governor's signature.
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30. **LD 1229 Protecting Life by Requiring an Ultrasound be Performed Prior to the Abortion of Unborn Children (Motion to Defeat).** ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions to end the practice and educate mothers and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 16, 2021 by a vote of 81-62. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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31. **LD 1252 Improving Access to Affordable Childcare by Increasing the Number of Children a Provider May Care For (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports reducing costs and expanding access to childcare by reducing excessive regulations and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 3, 2021 by a vote of 81-58. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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32. **LD 1255 Infringing Property Rights Through a 90 Day Eviction Moratorium at the Conclusion of the COVID-19 Emergency Order.** ACU opposes this measure which weakens property rights and will further drive-up housing costs and reduce housing availability by starving small landlords of revenue needed for mortgages and property upkeep and opposed this bill. The House failed to pass the bill on June 10, 2021 by a vote of 65-69.
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33. **LD 1315 Protecting Second Amendment Rights During a Declared State of Emergency (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports the founders' belief in the second amendment and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 14, 2021 by a vote of 71-68. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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34. **LD 1343 Expanding School Choice Through the Creation of an Education Savings Account (ESA) Program (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports improving educational outcomes by responsibly expanding school choice and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 7, 2021 by a vote of 85-59. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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35. **LD 1365 Strengthening Property Rights by Preempting Local Bans on Short-Term Property Rentals (Motion to Defeat).** ACU's Center for 21st Century Property Rights is a leading voice on this issue and works to protect property owners from excessive property, zoning and land use regulations. ACU recognizes that the Constitution does not provide localities authority, opposes excessive housing regulations that hamper the free market and infringe property rights and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 2, 2021 by a vote of 85-51. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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36. **LD 1371 Expanding the Free Competition of Gold and Silver Currencies Through a Sales Tax Exemption (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports the free competition of currency, believes the Federal Reserve should not have a monopoly on our money and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 3, 2021 by a vote of 81-59. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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37. **LD 1403 Protecting Businesses from Lawsuit Abuse Related to COVID-19 (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports efforts to protect businesses from frivolous litigation related to COVID-19 and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 16, 2021 by a vote of 81-58. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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38. **LD 1411 Increasing Taxpayer Costs and Enriching Unions Through the Protectionist Buy American Build Maine Act.** ACU opposes protectionist mandates which unnecessarily drive-up taxpayer costs and are primarily designed to enrich unions and other special interest groups and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 14, 2021 by a vote of 82-59, but the Governor vetoed the bill.
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39. **LD 1498 Preventing State Agencies from Imposing Draconian Greenhouse Gas Emission Mandates or Entering into the Transportation Climate Initiative (Motion to Defeat).** ACU opposes the Transportation Climate Initiative and its attack on traditional, cost-effective automobile and transportation methods, supports protecting citizens from disastrous greenhouse gas mandates levied by bureaucrats and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 8, 2021 by a vote of 80-66. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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40. **LD 1521 Strengthening Property Rights by Limiting Civil Asset Forfeiture Abuse (Motion to Defeat).** ACU'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. The House failed to defeat the bill on June 16, 2021 by a vote of 11-129 and the bill later became law without the Governor's signature. (A "No" vote supported the ACU position.)
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41. **LD 1524 Stealing Even More Wealth from Families by Hiking the Estate Tax.** ACU has long opposed the estate tax, supports the complete abolition of this tax which has devastating impacts on families and the economy and opposed this bill. The House failed to pass the bill on June 15, 2021 by a vote of 66-73.
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42. **LD 1622 Expanding the Role of Government and Increasing Costs Through the Establishment of State-run Retirement Accounts.** ACU supports fostering financial literacy, stability, and success through the private marketplace, opposes this government competition with private industry which unnecessarily drives-up taxpayer costs and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill with a vote of 130-11 on June 16, 2021 and the bill was signed into law.
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43. **LD 1640 Strengthening Free Speech Protections on College Campuses (Motion to Defeat).** ACU supports the freedom of speech as protected under the First Amendment and supported this bill. The House defeated the bill on June 9, 2021 by a vote of 78-53. (A “No” vote supported the ACU position.)
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44. **LD 1656 Forcing Taxpayers to Spend \$100 Million for “Energy Efficient Affordable Housing” Costs.** ACU supports efforts to help individuals live happier, healthier, more productive lives, opposes socializing “affordable” housing costs, believes the best way to make housing truly affordable is by removing onerous zoning and regulatory barriers that hinder private-sector development and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 9, 2021 by a vote of 80-63. (The bill was carried over to the next legislative session.)
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45. **LD 1679 Increasing Government Dependency by Studying the Expansion of “Free” School Lunches to All Students.** ACU opposes weakening educational outcomes by forcing schools to divert resources from essential education initiatives, opposes increasing taxpayer burdens to provide “free” breakfast to children of wealthy families and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 8, 2021 by a vote of 117-26. (The bill was carried over to the next legislative session.)
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