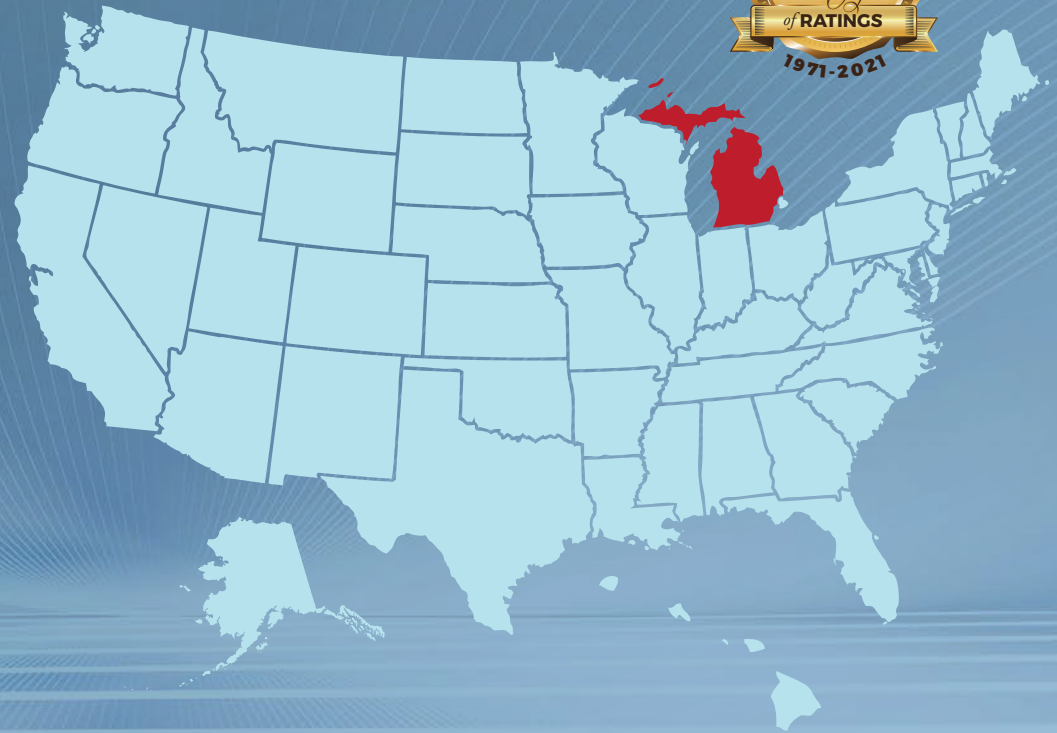




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# RATINGS of MICHIGAN 2020



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



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# LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

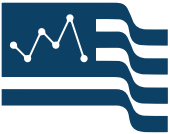
The American Conservative Union Foundation's Center for Legislative Accountability is proud to present our *Ratings of Michigan* for 2020. Like our *Ratings of Congress*, ACU Foundation's *Ratings of the States* are meant to reflect how elected officials view the role of government in an individual's 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



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## 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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## 2020 WINNERS & LOSERS

### 90-100% AWARD FOR CONSERVATIVE EXCELLENCE

2 since last year\*

#### SENATE

n/a

6 since last year\*

#### HOUSE

BERMAN, RYAN	JOHNSON, STEVEN
HALL, MATT	MADDOCK, MATT
HERNANDEZ, SHANE	MEERMAN, LUKE
HOITENGA, MICHELE	REILLY, JOHN

### ≤ 10% COALITION OF THE RADICAL LEFT

No change since last year\*

#### SENATE

n/a

No change since last year\*

#### HOUSE

n/a

### 80-89% AWARD FOR CONSERVATIVE ACHIEVEMENT

6 since last year\*

#### SENATE

BARRETT, TOM
BIZON, JOHN
BUMSTEAD, JON
LUCIDO, PETER
NESBITT, ARIC
RUNESTAD, JIM
STAMAS, JIM

10 since last year\*

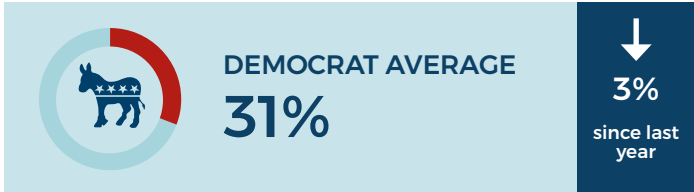
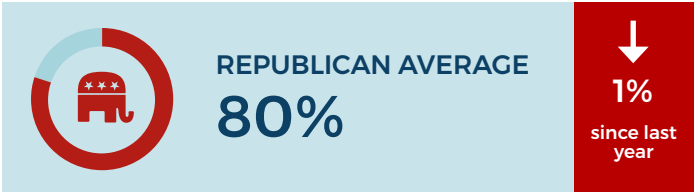
#### HOUSE

AFENDOULIS, LYNN	EISEN, GARY	LOWER, JAMES
ALBERT, THOMAS	FARRINGTON, DIANA	MARKKANEN, GREGORY
ALLOR, SUE	GLENN, ANNETTE	PAQUETTE, BRAD
BELLINO, JOSEPH	GREEN, PHIL	RENDON, DAIRE
BOLLIN, ANN	HORNBERGER, PAMELA	YAROCH, JEFF
CALLEY, JULIE	HUIZENGA, MARK	
COLE, TRISTON	LAFAVE, BEAU	
CRAWFORD, KATHY	LIGHTNER, SARAH	

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



# MICHIGAN SENATE STATISTICS

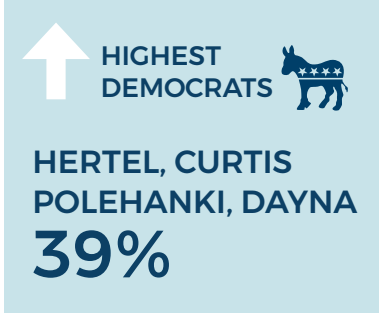
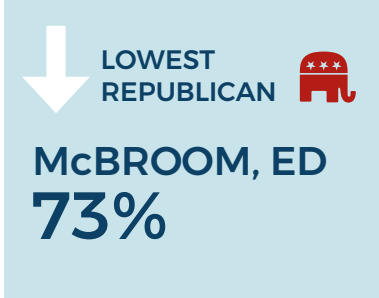
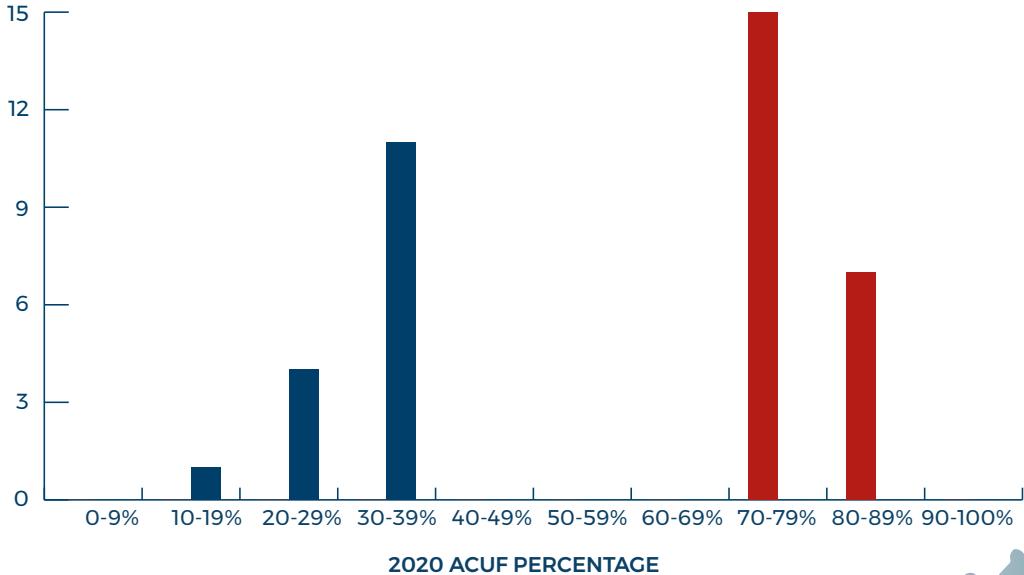


## MICHIGAN SENATE CONSERVATIVE RATINGS

RED = REPUBLICANS  
22 TOTAL IN SENATE

BLUE = DEMOCRATS  
16 TOTAL IN SENATE

# OF STATE SENATORS







# MICHIGAN SENATE SCORES

## MICHIGAN SENATE VOTE DETAIL

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Alexander, Betty Jean	D	5	22%	38%	30%	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	
Ananich, Jim	D	27	36%	33%	22%	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	
BARRETT, TOM	R	24	88%	90%	89%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
Bayer, Rosemary	D	12	30%	38%	34%	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	
BIZON, JOHN	R	19	82%	81%	76%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Brinks, Winnie	D	29	33%	33%	30%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	
Bullock, Marshall	D	4	27%	33%	30%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-		
BUMSTEAD, JON	R	34	85%	86%	83%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
Chang, Stephanie	D	1	18%	40%	20%	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-		
DALEY, KEVIN	R	31	76%	81%	81%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	
Geiss, Erika	D	6	21%	33%	21%	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-		
Hertel, Curtis	D	23	39%	33%	23%	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	
Hollier, Adam	D	2	30%	31%	23%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	X	-	-	+	+	+	-	+		
HORN, KEN	R	32	79%	79%	75%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	

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- SB 293 Expanding Employment Opportunities for Reformed Individuals with Criminal Convictions Through Greater Oversight of Occupational Licensing Boards.
- SB 306 Subjecting Homeowners to Additional Property Taxes by Expanding "Business Improvement Districts".
- SB 516 Increasing Oversight of Transportation Infrastructure Projects.
- SB 657 Providing School Districts Greater Flexibility to Hire the Most Qualified Teachers.
- SB 665 Expanding Entrepreneurship by Allowing Micro Breweries to Operate More Tasting Rooms.
- SB 672 Improving Access to Mental Health Care by Reforming "Certificate of Need" Regulations.
- SB 714 Strengthening Property Rights by Authorizing Shoreline Owners to Enact Temporary Barriers to Control Erosion.
- SB 716 Combatting Out-of-Control Spending Through Legislative Approval of New Transportation Debt.
- SB 761 Enabling "Policing for Profit" at Airports by Weakening Protections Against Asset Forfeiture Abuse.
- SB 783 Protecting Individual Liberties by Ensuring the Continued Sale of Fruit-Flavored Electronic Cigarettes.
- SB 857 Strengthening Legislative Oversight of Executive Emergency Declarations.
- SB 892 Expanding Consumer Options and Embracing Innovation by Easing Restrictions on Autonomous Delivery Robots.
- SB 899 Protecting Healthcare Providers from Frivolous Litigation through COVID-19 Liability Protections.
- SB 956 Protecting Nursing Home Residents from Unnecessary COVID-19 Exposure.
- SB 977 Combatting Vote Fraud by Enhancing Penalties for "Ballot Harvesting."
- SB 1133 Hiking Taxes on Propane to Fund an Unnecessary Marketing Commission.
- SB 1219 Protecting Second Amendment Rights During Declared Emergencies.
- SB 1253 Reopening Michigan by Strengthening Legislative Oversight of Executive Emergency Declarations and Ending Restrictions on Religion.
- HB 4042 Easing a Regulatory Burden in the Healthcare Industry Through Licensing Reciprocity for Qualified Nurses.
- HB 4792 Expanding Consumer Fuel Options by Authorizing Gas Stations to Sell Fuel without an Attendant Present.
- HB 4866 Expanding Automotive Freedom by Easing Restrictions on Surplus Military Vehicles.
- HB 4908 Further Expanding Cronyism and Placing Taxpayer Funds at Risk by Increasing the Lending Limit of the Michigan State Housing Development Authority.
- HB 4910 Strengthening Property Rights by Clarifying Laws Surrounding Emotional Support Animals.
- HB 4980 Reforming the Criminal Justice System by Sealing Convictions after at Least Seven Years of Good Conduct.
- HB 5024 Advancing Another Scheme to Hike Property Taxes Under the Guise of "Mosquito Abatement".
- HB 5134 Expanding Youth Employment Opportunities at Amusement Parks.
- HB 5217 Allowing College Athletes to Profit from their Own Name.
- HB 5313 Ensuring Equal Taxation of Motor Vehicle Transportation.
- HB 5343 Reducing Cronyism in the Alcohol Industry by Removing Excessive Regulations on Distribution.
- HB 5602 Protecting the Right of Property Owners to Install Low-Wattage Electric Fences.
- HB 6030 Reopening Michigan by Creating Liability Protections for Businesses.



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JOHNSON, RUTH	R	14	77%	76%	77%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	X	+	+	+	+	+	X
LASATA, KIM	R	21	79%	81%	82%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
LAUWERS, DAN	R	25	76%	85%	83%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
LUCIDO, PETER	R	8	85%	81%	82%	-	-	+	-	+	X	+	X	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	+	-	X	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MacDONALD, MICHAEL	R	10	79%	81%	80%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MacGREGOR, PETER	R	28	79%	81%	80%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
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Moss, Jeremy	D	11	33%	29%	18%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
NESBITT, ARIC	R	26	85%	86%	86%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
OUTMAN, RICK	R	33	79%	81%	79%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Polehanki, Dayna	D	7	39%	38%	39%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-
RUNESTAD, JIM	R	15	88%	81%	90%	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Santana, Sylvia	D	3	30%	32%	23%	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-
SCHMIDT, WAYNE	R	37	79%	81%	79%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
SHIRKEY, MIKE	R	16	79%	81%	81%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
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THEIS, LANA	R	22	79%	76%	89%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
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Wojno, Paul	D	9	32%	38%	35%	-	X	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	X	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	
ZORN, DALE	R	17	79%	71%	67%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

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## MICHIGAN SENATE VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

- 1. SB 54 Expanding Cronyism by Providing \$5 Million in Tax Credits to Select Owners of "Historic" Properties.** This bill revives a mechanism of cronyism by recreating Michigan's State Historic Preservation Tax Credit Program, which provides tax credits to owners of properties government deems "historic". Specifically, the bill forces taxpayers to annually spend \$5 million to provide owners of select historic properties tax credits of up to 25% of rehabilitation costs they may incur. ACU recognizes the tax credits issued under this program are in addition to tax credits already provided at the federal level for historic properties. ACU supports a broadly applied tax code with the lowest possible rates for everyone, opposes this cronyism which shifts property tax burdens to other individuals not favored by government and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on December 3, 2020 by a vote of 32-5 and the bill was signed into law.
- 2. SB 268 Further Socializing Higher Education and Job Training for Adults.** This bill forces taxpayers to spend \$30 million in order to provide "free" community college to adults above the age of 25. Specifically, the bill creates the "Michigan Reconnect Program" (a pet project of Governor Whitmer) and is designed to cover any costs to attend community college that are not already covered under federal or state subsidies. Additionally, the bill provides \$1,500 scholarships to cover the costs of vocational or training schools. ACU opposes further socializing higher education costs, believes "free" college schemes such as these programs represent the largest wealth transfer from low-income individuals to high-income individuals, and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 17, 2020 by a vote of 35-2 and the bill was signed into law.
- 3. SB 293 Expanding Employment Opportunities for Reformed Individuals with Criminal Convictions Through Greater Oversight of Occupational Licensing Boards.** This bill increases oversight of state occupational licensing boards by requiring the boards to annually report the number of applicants denied based on the boards determination the applicant lacks "good moral character." The bill is designed to prevent unaccountable regulatory and licensing boards from relying on a vague requirement that the applicant be of "good moral character," a common practice to exclude ex-offenders from licensure. 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 expanding employment and reducing recidivism through this and other necessary reforms to our criminal justice system and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on September 30, 2020 by a vote of 38-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 4. SB 306 Subjecting Homeowners to Additional Property Taxes by Expanding "Business Improvement Districts".** This bill sets a dangerous precedent that exposes homeowners to even greater levels of property taxation. Under existing law, localities can form "business improvement zones" or "principal shopping districts" which subject businesses located within the region with additional property taxes. The boards of these new entities are then able to expend the funds on a wide range of purposes, oftentimes on activities best served by the private sector, such as beautification, community engagement and activities, and festive lighting. This bill now permits the zones and districts to assess taxes on residential property, thus further driving up housing costs for amenities homeowners may not desire. ACU believes the private sector is the best mechanism to carry out many of these duties, opposes reducing housing affordability by subjecting homeowners to even greater levels of taxation and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 9, 2020 by a vote of 35-3 and the bill was signed into law.
- 5. SB 516 Increasing Oversight of Transportation Infrastructure Projects.** This bill ensures necessary oversight of transportation infrastructure projects throughout the state. Specifically, this bill requires the Michigan Department of Transportation (MDOT) to publicly publish online and provide to each member of the legislature its rolling 5-year road construction plan each year. This bill requires the plan to include a listing by county or by county road commission of all highway construction projects for the upcoming fiscal year and all expected projects for the ensuing fiscal years. ACU supports ensuring government spending of scarce taxpayer resources is properly overseen to prevent boondoggles and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on January 28, 2020 by a vote of 30-8. (The bill failed to advance in the House.)



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6. **SB 657 Providing School Districts Greater Flexibility to Hire the Most Qualified Teachers.** This bill is designed to improve educational outcomes and address a shortage of teachers by allowing schools to hire the most competent teachers. Specifically, the bill allows special education teachers to teach under an “interim teaching certificate” while they work to get fully certified. Previous law prohibited this practice. ACU supports improving educational outcomes by permitting schools to hire the most qualified teacher applicants by reforming “one-size-fits-all” licensing regimes and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on December 18, 2020 by a vote of 31-6 and the bill was signed into law.
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7. **SB 665 Expanding Entrepreneurship by Allowing Micro Breweries to Operate More Tasting Rooms.** This bill would reduce anti-competitive restriction on alcoholic beverage manufacturers by permitting an owner of a microbrewery, who produces 120,000 barrels of beer or less, to operate up to three tasting rooms throughout the state. ACU supports expanding consumer choice and advancing entrepreneurship and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on March 12, 2020 by a vote of 37-1 and the bill was signed into law.
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8. **SB 672 Improving Access to Mental Health Care by Reforming “Certificate of Need” Regulations.** This bill is designed to improve access to health care for individuals seeking mental health care by expanding an exemption under the state’s draconian certificate of need (CON) law. The state’s CON law serves as a regulatory barrier to prevent health care facilities from opening or expanding unless investors prove a “need” for the facilities. Under this bill, any health facility located in a county with a population of 40,000 or less which provides psychiatric care or is a psychiatric hospital would be exempt from CON requirements for any upgrades of up to \$10 million as opposed to \$2.5 million under existing law. ACU supports completely eliminating 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 passed the bill on December 18, 2020 by a vote of 21-16 but the bill was defeated by a pocket veto from the governor.
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9. **SB 714 Strengthening Property Rights by Authorizing Shoreline Owners to Enact Temporary Barriers to Control Erosion.** This bill ensures shoreline property is not damaged due to government delays, by allowing shoreline property owners to build temporary barriers to protect against erosion during specific high tide conditions without waiting for permit approval from the Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE). This bill requires property owners who build these barriers to meet certain material requirements and apply for a permit or remove the structure within 78 weeks. ACU Foundation’s Center for 21st Century Property Rights engages heavily on issues such as this relating to the protection of property. ACU supports strengthening the right to protect property without government delays and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on January 30, 2020 by a vote of 22-16. (The bill failed to advance in the House.)
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10. **SB 716 Combatting Out-of-Control Spending Through Legislative Approval of New Transportation Debt.** This bill helps protect taxpayers from out-of-control government spending by requiring the State Transportation Commission to notify the Legislature of its intent to issue over \$100 million in transportation bonds at least 30 days before authorizing the bonds and allow the legislature to reject those bonds within 30 days. This bill is meant to combat actions taken by Governor Whitmer who issued \$3.5 billion in new bonds (debt) without legislative approval. ACU supports all efforts to combat out-of-control spending which saddles future generations with debt and higher taxes and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 4, 2020 by a vote of 22-16. (The bill failed to advance in the House.)
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11. **SB 761 Enabling “Policing for Profit” at Airports by Weakening Protections Against Asset Forfeiture Abuse.** This bill offers certain police units a carveout to the major civil asset forfeiture reform passed in 2019 which strengthened property rights by combatting “policing for profit.” Specifically, this bill removes a requirement that a criminal conviction be obtained before an individual’s assets are taken through civil asset forfeiture if the property is seized at an airport. 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 opposes civil asset forfeiture absent a criminal conviction and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on December 18, 2020 by a vote of 30-7 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
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12. **SB 783 Protecting Individual Liberties by Ensuring the Continued Sale of Fruit-Flavored Electronic Cigarettes.** This bill helps protect individual liberties by ensuring consumers can continue to purchase electronic cigarette or vaping products that contain fruit-flavors. The bill is in response to a draconian package of other bills (SB 781 - 786) that infringe individual rights to purchase nicotine and tobacco products. ACU believes tobacco and nicotine usage is a personal liberty issue, and government regulations are only appropriate if their usage substantially impacts others and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on June 17, 2020 by a vote of 24-14. (The bill failed to advance in the House.)

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  13. **SB 857 Strengthening Legislative Oversight of Executive Emergency Declarations.** This bill would provide a crucial check on the authority of the executive branch to impose executive orders during emergencies without legislative oversight. The bill is in response to Governor Whitmer's sweeping emergency declaration issued during the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. Specifically, the bill would repeal the "1945 Emergency Powers of the Governor Act" which provides governors with the authority to declare emergencies for an unlimited length of time without approval from the legislature. ACU supports strengthening crucial checks and balances between the coequal branches of government, 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 24, 2020 by a vote of 22-15 but the bill was vetoed by the governor. (The 1945 law was later found unconstitutional by the Michigan Supreme Court.)

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  14. **SB 892 Expanding Consumer Options and Embracing Innovation by Easing Restrictions on Autonomous Delivery Robots.** This bill is designed to expand consumer options made possible by technological innovations by easing existing restrictions on the use of autonomous delivery robots. Under existing state law, localities such as Ann Arbor have permitted businesses to utilize autonomous robots to make deliveries to consumers. Under this bill, the devices are now allowed to operate in pedestrian areas between 8 A.M. to 8 P.M. at speeds of up to 10mph. While this bill preempts local regulations of the robots, the bill allows localities to hold an election to ban automated delivery devices within 90 days of the bill becoming law. ACU supports proactive efforts to embrace innovation and maximize the free-market benefits provided by autonomous technology, supports reducing government regulations to ensure new technologies are not unnecessarily burdened and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on September 10, 2020 by a vote of 22-16. (The bill failed to advance in the House.)

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  15. **SB 899 Protecting Healthcare Providers from Frivolous Litigation through COVID-19 Liability Protections.** This bill ensures that health care providers and their frontline workers are protected from lawsuit abuse related to the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak by establishing limited liability protections. An exemption is provided in cases that "constitute willful misconduct, gross negligence, intentional and willful criminal misconduct, or intentional infliction of harm." ACU supports protecting frontline workers from lawsuit abuse related to COVID-19 and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on July 23, 2020 by a vote of 24-13 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.

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  16. **SB 956 Protecting Nursing Home Residents from Unnecessary COVID-19 Exposure.** This bill helps protect elderly high-risk individuals from being exposed to the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) by prohibiting patients who test positive with the virus from being transferred into nursing homes. The bill contains an exemption if the nursing facility has a separate physical building designed to care for those with the virus. The bill is in response to Governor Whitmer's executive order which forced nursing homes to accept patients who were exposed to the virus. ACU recognizes that at least 30% of Michigan's reported death due to COVID-19 occurred in long-term care facilities. ACU opposes Governor Whitmer's horrendous handling of the virus, supports protecting high-risk individuals from exposure to the virus, through and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on July 23, 2020 by a vote of 24-13 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.

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  17. **SB 977 Combatting Vote Fraud by Enhancing Penalties for "Ballot Harvesting."** This bill strengthens the integrity of Michigan's elections by making it a felony to knowingly send in an absentee voter ballot application with another person's name and personal information, unless expressly authorized by law. ACU supports efforts to strengthen election integrity and protect against "ballot harvesting" and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on September 30, 2020 by a vote of 32-6 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
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18. **SB 1133 Hiking Taxes on Propane to Fund an Unnecessary Marketing Commission.** This bill expands cronyism by creating a new government “propane commission” which has the power to levy additional taxes on propane sellers (ultimately passed onto consumers through higher prices) if a majority of propane sellers approve the tax. The funds would in part allow the government to further interfere in the marketplace by “promoting the use of high efficiency appliances and equipment through rebate and incentive programs”. ACU recognizes that the propane industry already works together through a voluntary association that markets their product. ACU opposes this government intrusion into the marketplace and unnecessarily increases propane costs in order to fuel cronyism and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on December 18, 2020 by a vote of 37-0 and the bill was signed into law.
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19. **SB 1219 Protecting Second Amendment Rights During Declared Emergencies.** This bill provides a crucial check on emergency powers by declaring that county clerks are not relieved of their duty to process concealed pistol carry permits due to a declared emergency. The bill is in response to the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) which has prompted certain officials to use limit their service, therefore restricting the ability of law-abiding individuals to exercise their Second Amendment rights. ACU supports the founders’ belief in the Second Amendment and supported the bill. The Senate passed the bill on December 10, 2020 by a vote of 22-16. (The bill failed to advance in the House.)
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20. **SB 1253 Reopening Michigan by Strengthening Legislative Oversight of Executive Emergency Declarations and Ending Restrictions on Religion.** This bill would provide a crucial check on the authority of the executive branch to impose executive orders during emergencies without legislative oversight. The bill is in response to Governor Whitmer’s administrations sweeping epidemic orders issued during the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. Specifically, the bill would require any “epidemic order” declared by the Department of Health and Human Services to only stand in effect for 28 days unless both houses of the legislature approve an extension. Additionally, this bill would protect against the arbitrary nature of the orders and allow businesses which are ordered to shutdown to operate if they follow the same health and safety precautions that are required of other businesses. Lastly this bill provides a crucial protection for religious liberty by no longer allowing the government to impose orders which restrict capacity at a place of worship. ACU supports strengthening crucial checks and balances between the coequal branches of government, 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 December 18, 2020 by a vote of 21-16 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
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21. **HB 4042 Easing a Regulatory Burden in the Healthcare Industry Through Licensing Reciprocity for Qualified Nurses.** This bill expands competition and access to healthcare by joining Michigan with 34 other states in the Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC). The NLC allows for certain qualified nurses to have one multistate license which allows them to practice in all NLC states without being burdened to obtain additional licenses. ACU supports expanding competition and employment opportunities by reducing regulatory barriers and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on December 10, 2020 by a vote of 21-17 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
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22. **HB 4792 Expanding Consumer Fuel Options by Authorizing Gas Stations to Sell Fuel without an Attendant Present.** This bill reduces costs and makes it easier for consumers to obtain fuel by permitting gas to be sold at pumps when an attendant is not working. Michigan is one of only a handful of states that still has an antiquated law that mandates an employee be present at all hours for fuel sales. The bill includes multiple new safety protocols for stations that do not have an attendant onsite, as well as permits localities to still ban the practice. ACU opposes this antiquated mandate that now solely serves as a “make-work regulation,” supports expanding consumer fuel options and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on December 10, 2020 by a vote of 22-16 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
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23. **HB 4866 Expanding Automotive Freedom by Easing Restrictions on Surplus Military Vehicles.** This bill would expand automotive freedom by easing restrictions on the roadway operation of surplus military vehicles by civilians. Under the bill, vehicles such as HUMVEEs, would be permitted to be registered as historic vehicles and operated on roadways if they meet certain requirements set forth in the bill. For example, the vehicles must be at least 25 years of age, pass a safety inspection, and not be a tracked or half-tracked vehicle (as opposed to wheeled). ACU supports expanding automotive freedom and protecting the right for individuals to own, operate and enjoy their vehicles and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on December 10, 2020 by a vote of 38-0 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
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- 24. HB 4908 Further Expanding Cronyism and Placing Taxpayer Funds at Risk by Increasing the Lending Limit of the Michigan State Housing Development Authority.** This bill would place an additional \$1.6 billion in taxpayer funds at risk by expanding the ability of the Michigan State Housing Developing Authority (MSHDA) to interfere in the marketplace and enrich select developers. Specifically, the bill would increase the cap on outstanding bonds MSHDA may issue from \$3.4 billion to \$5 billion. The program finances various “affordable” housing initiatives and home improvement projects. ACU believes the best way to make housing truly affordable is by significantly reforming the state’s zoning and land use ordinances to expand development. ACU opposes this measure which places taxpayer funds at risk of default and is designed to enrich select housing developers and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 17, 2020 by a vote of 35-2 and the bill was signed into law. (Passed House and Rated by ACUF in 2019).
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- 25. HB 4910 Strengthening Property Rights by Clarifying Laws Surrounding Emotional Support Animals.** This bill is designed to curb abuse of laws surrounding “emotional support animals” (ESAs), also known as service animals. Some individuals have legitimate needs for service animals, and existing law affords opportunities to meet those needs. Recently, a cottage industry has sprung up and has been abusing these opportunities by encouraging individuals to fraudulently claim a need for ESAs. Not only does this jeopardize individuals with legitimate needs, but it also infringes the rights of property owners to use and control their own property. Under this bill, a housing provider may terminate the tenancy of anyone who knowingly provides fraudulent information or documentation in order to designate a pet as an ESA. Additionally, health professionals who falsely indicate that a person has a disability, or so indicate without personal knowledge of the disability, are subject to disciplinary action from regulatory agencies. ACUF’s Center for 21st Century Property Rights is a leading voice on this issue and works to protect businesses and property owners from government overreach. ACU supports reforming service animal policies to protect the property rights of businesses and property owners and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on September 23, 2020 by a vote of 23-14 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
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- 26. HB 4980 Reforming the Criminal Justice System by Sealing Convictions after at Least Seven Years of Good Conduct.** This bill, known as the Clean Slate Act, is designed to reduce recidivism and expand employment opportunities for those with low-level criminal convictions. Under the bill, individuals who have been convicted of certain misdemeanors and non-violent felonies, but have remained crime free, would be eligible to seal those convictions from public access after at least seven years of good conduct. This bill would limit the number of records eligible to be sealed in an individual’s life to two felony convictions and four misdemeanor convictions. 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 this effort to expand employment and reduce recidivism and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on September 23, 2020 by a vote of 29-8 and the bill was signed into law.
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- 27. HB 5024 Advancing Another Scheme to Hike Property Taxes Under the Guise of “Mosquito Abatement”.** This bill provides townships a new avenue to covertly hike property taxes even further. Under the bill, townships may now submit ballot proposals to raise the property tax by an additional \$1 million for purposes of “mosquito abatement.” Homeowners across the state are already being hit with enormous increases in property tax bills due to rising real estate values and this bill serves as an even greater burden, as a homeowner with a \$250,000 home will now have to pay an additional \$250.00 in property taxes under the measure. While ACU does not oppose government mosquito abatement for public health purposes, we believe such a program should be funded out of existing resources, especially considering the significant increases in revenue townships are already receiving. ACU opposes making home ownership less attainable through excessive taxation and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on December 18, 2020 by a vote of 30-7 and the bill was signed into law.
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- 28. HB 5134 Expanding Youth Employment Opportunities at Amusement Parks.** This bill expands employment opportunities for high-school students by aligning state law with federal law so that individuals 16 to 18 years of age can now operate amusement park rides. Previous state law required individuals to be at least 18 years of age. The bill requires individuals to be trained to operate the rides and in ride-specific safety procedures. ACU supports this measure which provides youths with valuable life and work skills and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on September 2, 2020 by a vote of 31-6 and the bill was signed into law.
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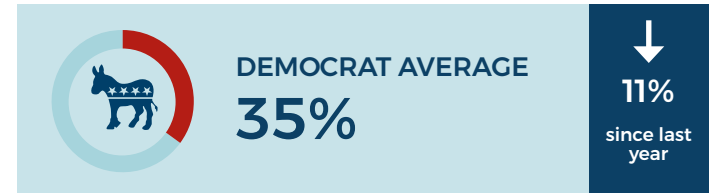
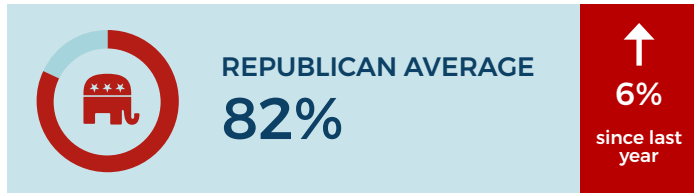
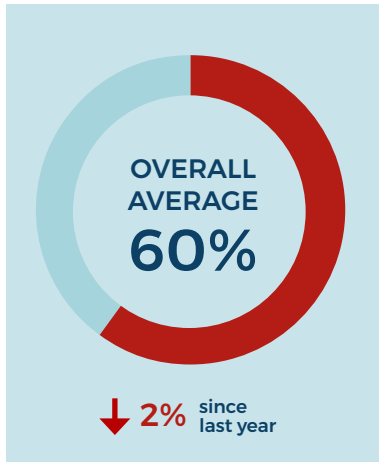


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29. **HB 5217 Allowing College Athletes to Profit from their Own Name.** The NCAA exploits athletes, engages in anticompetitive practices and prevents athletes from engaging in other commercial activities available to every other person in America. That is why ACU considers the NCAA to be a criminal enterprise and why this legislation is a good first step toward protecting the rights of college athletes. Specifically, the bill permits student athletes within the NCAA and other athletic associations to receive compensation if their name, image, or likeness (i.e., NIL rights) 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 December 16, 2020 by a vote of 36-2 and the bill was signed into law.
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30. **HB 5313 Ensuring Equal Taxation of Motor Vehicle Transportation.** This bill helps ensure that all motorists are equally responsible for maintaining public roads by clarifying definitions of hybrid electric vehicles to ensure drivers pay their fair-share of transportation infrastructure costs. Due to the fact drivers of electric vehicles do not pay the gas tax, and enjoy federal tax credits up to \$7,500, the bill is designed to help ensure they are paying their portion of road maintenance costs. ACU supports all sources of energy, believes all motorists (regardless of how their vehicles are powered) should contribute to infrastructure costs and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 10, 2020 by a vote of 28-10 and the bill was signed into law.
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31. **HB 5343 Reducing Cronyism in the Alcohol Industry by Removing Excessive Regulations on Distribution.** This bill reduces anti-competitive regulations in the alcohol industry by increasing the amount of beer a micro brewer is allowed to self-distribute to a retailer or distributor from 1,000 to 2,000 barrels annually. ACU supports expanding entrepreneurship and expanding consumer choice by reducing unnecessary and anti-competitive regulations and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 17, 2020 by a vote of 38-0 and the bill was signed into law.
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32. **HB 5602 Protecting the Right of Property Owners to Install Low-Wattage Electric Fences.** This bill strengthens property by ensuring property owners are able to install low-wattage electric fences and associated equipment on their properties. The bill clarifies that property owners do not have to obtain any type of approval from a locality as long as the electric fence is surrounded by a non-electric fence which is at least 5 feet in height. The bill is in response to the draconian regulations of some localities which have effectively made low-voltage security fences unusable. ACU supports strengthening property rights and ensuring property owners are able to secure their properties and supported this bill. ACU supports the ability for property owners to secure their properties and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on September 30, 2020 by a vote of 27-11 and the bill was signed into law.
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33. **HB 6030 Reopening Michigan by Creating Liability Protections for Businesses.** This bill, dubbed the COVID-19 Response and Reopening Liability Assurance Act, ensures that businesses are protected from lawsuit abuse related to the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. Specifically, this bill provides businesses protection from COVID-19 related liability if they comply with applicable federal and state health regulations. ACU supports reopening the economy by protecting businesses from lawsuit abuse related to COVID-19 and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on October 14, 2020 by a vote of 23-14 and the bill was signed into law.
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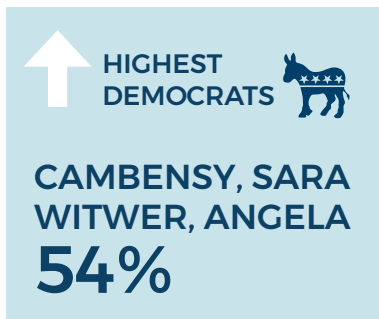
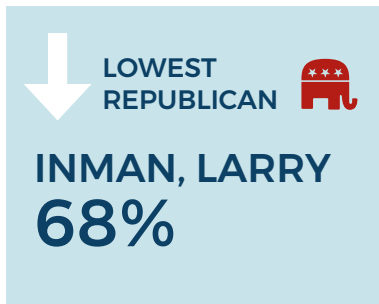
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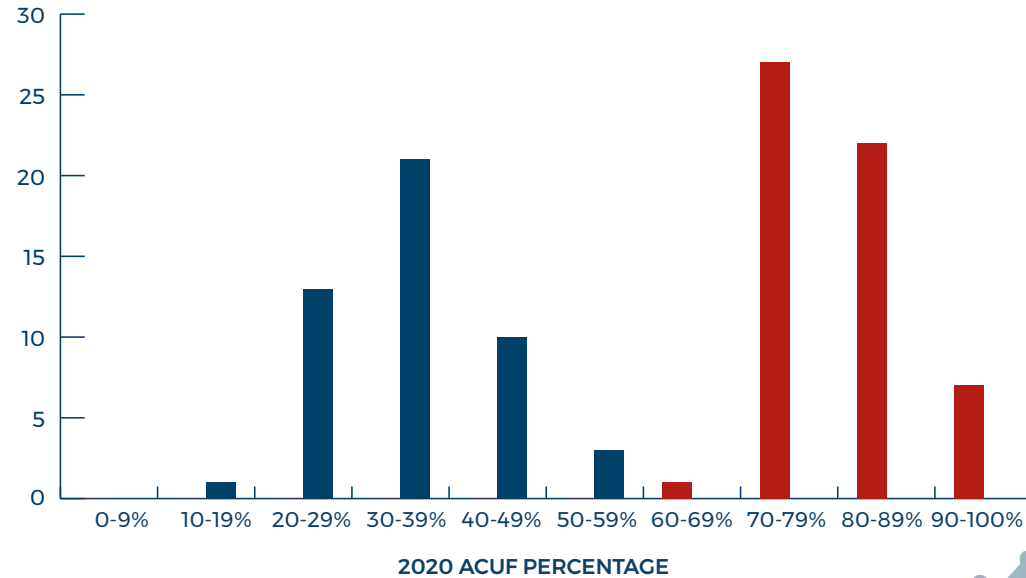
## MICHIGAN HOUSE CONSERVATIVE RATINGS

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# OF STATE REPS







# MICHIGAN HOUSE SCORES

## MICHIGAN HOUSE VOTE DETAIL

	Party	Dist.	2020 %	2019 %	LIFETIME AVG	SB 54	SB 268	SB 293	SB 306	SB 657	SB 665	SB 672	SB 761	SB 857	SB 899	SB 956	SB 977	SB 1133	SB 1253	HCR 17	HCR 24	HR 277	HB 4020	HB 4035	HB 4042	HB 4717	HB 4792	HB 4866	HB 4910	HB 4980	HB 4993	HB 5024	HB 5097	HB 5134	HB 5217	HB 5286	HB 5313	HB 5343	HB 5407	HB 5479	HB 5589	HB 5602	HB 5709	HB 5975	HB 6030	HB 6233	
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Byrd, Wendell	D	3	52%	58%	29%	X	-	+	-	X	+	X	-	X	-	-	+	-	X	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	X	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	
CALLEY, JULIE	R	87	83%	80%	82%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
Cambensy, Sara	D	109	54%	60%	41%	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	

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Camilleri, Darrin	D	23	39%	50%	34%	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+						
Carter, Brenda	D	29	31%	47%	39%	-	X	+	-	+	+	X	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	X	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	X	+	X					
Carter, Tyrone	D	6	36%	45%	40%	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	X	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-					
CHATFIELD, LEE	R	107	78%	75%	87%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-				
Cherry, John	D	49	37%	45%	41%	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-				
Chirkun, John	D	22	41%	40%	27%	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	-	X				
Clemente, Cara	D	14	34%	50%	34%	-	X	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	X	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-				
COLE, TRISTON	R	105	80%	75%	85%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-			
Coleman, Kevin	D	16	49%	50%	49%	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-			
CRAWFORD, KATHY	R	38	84%	75%	78%	-	X	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-			
EISEN, GARY	R	81	82%	70%	76%	+	X	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-			
Elder, Brian	D	96	45%	55%	35%	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	X	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				
Ellison, Jim	D	26	34%	50%	27%	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+				
FARRINGTON, DIANA	R	30	85%	75%	83%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-		
FILLER, GRAHAM	R	93	78%	75%	77%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-		
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Garrett, Latanya	D	7	26%	33%	20%	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	X	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	X	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	X	+	-	-	-	-	X	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	+	-	-				
Garza, Alex	D	12	37%	55%	46%	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-			
Gay-Dagnogo, Sherry	D	8	25%	40%	20%	-	X	+	-	-	+	-	X	X	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	+	-	X	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	-	X		
GLENN, ANNETTE	R	98	88%	80%	84%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		
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Greig, Christine	D	37	29%	45%	23%	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+			
GRIFFIN, BETH	R	66	74%	70%	80%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	
Guerra, Vanessa	D	95	27%	45%	20%	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		
Haadsma, Jim	D	62	46%	60%	53%	-	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		
HALL, MATT	R	63	90%	75%	83%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	
Hammoud, Abdullah	D	15	26%	45%	27%	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	+		
HAUCK, ROGER	R	99	78%	79%	83%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-
HERNANDEZ, SHANE	R	83	98%	80%	91%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
Hertel, Kevin	D	18	44%	45%	31%	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		
Hoadley, Jon	D	60	32%	40%	24%	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+		

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Johnson, Cynthia	D	5	32%	42%	37%	X	-	+	-	X	+	X	X	X	-	-	-	X	X	-	+	-	-	X	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	-	
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Jones, Jewell	D	11	34%	40%	27%	-	X	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	
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Kennedy, Sheryl	D	48	41%	50%	46%	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	
Koleszar, Matt	D	20	37%	45%	41%	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	
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LAFAVE, BEAU	R	108	85%	70%	84%	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Lagrand, David	D	75	41%	55%	30%	-	X	+	+	+	X	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	X	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

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MICHIGAN HOUSE VOTE DETAIL

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VANSINGEL, SCOTT	R	100	71%	63%	74%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-		
VANWOERKOM, GREG	R	91	78%	75%	76%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-		
VAUPEL, HENRY	R	47	76%	75%	82%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-		
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Warren, Rebekah	D	55	24%	44%	17%	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+		
WEBBER, MICHAEL	R	45	78%	75%	81%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	
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WENTWORTH, JASON	R	97	78%	75%	84%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	
WHITEFORD, MARY	R	80	76%	75%	82%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	
Whitsett, Karen	D	9	n/a†	44%	44%	-	X	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	X	X	+	X	X	-	+	X	-	+	X	X	X	+	+	+	+	X	+	X	-	X	X	+	X	X	X	X	
Wittenberg, Robert	D	27	30%	45%	23%	-	X	+	-	-	+	X	X	X	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	X	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+		
Witwer, Angela	D	71	54%	55%	54%	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-
WOZNIAK, DOUGLAS	R	36	78%	75%	77%	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-
Yancey, Tenisha	D	1	31%	50%	30%	-	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	X	X	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	X	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	X	-
YAROCH, JEFF	R	33	80%	70%	74%	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

+ = 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 2020 session. Two-thirds of the selected bills must be voted on to receive a score.  
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 x = Member was absent for vote

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## MICHIGAN HOUSE VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

- 1. SB 54 Expanding Cronyism by Providing \$5 Million in Tax Credits to Select Owners of "Historic" Properties.** This bill revives a mechanism of cronyism by recreating Michigan's State Historic Preservation Tax Credit Program, which provides tax credits to owners of properties government deems "historic". Specifically, the bill forces taxpayers to annually spend \$5 million to provide owners of select historic properties tax credits of up to 25% of rehabilitation costs they may incur. ACU recognizes the tax credits issued under this program are in addition to tax credits already provided at the federal level for historic properties. ACU supports a broadly applied tax code with the lowest possible rates for everyone, opposes this cronyism which shifts property tax burdens to other individuals not favored by government and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on December 17, 2020 by a vote of 81-24 and the bill was signed into law.
- 2. SB 268 Further Socializing Higher Education and Job Training for Adults.** This bill forces taxpayers to spend \$30 million in order to provide "free" community college to adults above the age of 25. Specifically, the bill creates the "Michigan Reconnect Program" (a pet project of Governor Whitmer) and is designed to cover any costs to attend community college that are not already covered under federal or state subsidies. Additionally, the bill provides \$1,500 scholarships to cover the costs of vocational or training schools. ACU opposes further socializing higher education costs, believes "free" college schemes such as these programs represent the largest wealth transfer from low-income individuals to high-income individuals, and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 17, 2020 by a vote of 81-12 and the bill was signed into law.
- 3. SB 293 Expanding Employment Opportunities for Reformed Individuals with Criminal Convictions Through Greater Oversight of Occupational Licensing Boards.** This bill increases oversight of state occupational licensing boards by requiring the boards to annually report the number of applicants denied based on the boards determination the applicant lacks "good moral character." The bill is designed to prevent unaccountable regulatory and licensing boards from relying on a vague requirement that the applicant be of "good moral character," a common practice to exclude ex-offenders from licensure. 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 expanding employment and reducing recidivism through this and other necessary reforms to our criminal justice system and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on December 16, 2020 by a vote of 108-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 4. SB 306 Subjecting Homeowners to Additional Property Taxes by Expanding "Business Improvement Districts".** This bill sets a dangerous precedent that exposes homeowners to even greater levels of property taxation. Under existing law, localities can form "business improvement zones" or "principal shopping districts" which subject businesses located within the region with additional property taxes. The boards of these new entities are then able to expend the funds on a wide range of purposes, oftentimes on activities best served by the private sector, such as beautification, community engagement and activities, and festive lighting. This bill now permits the zones and districts to assess taxes on residential property, thus further driving up housing costs for amenities homeowners may not desire. ACU believes the private sector is the best mechanism to carry out many of these duties, opposes reducing housing affordability by subjecting homeowners to even greater levels of taxation and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 3, 2020 by a vote of 91-18 and the bill was signed into law.
- 5. SB 657 Providing School Districts Greater Flexibility to Hire the Most Qualified Teachers.** This bill is designed to improve educational outcomes and address a shortage of teachers by allowing schools to hire the most competent teachers. Specifically, the bill allows special education teachers to teach under an "interim teaching certificate" while they work to get fully certified. Previous law prohibited this practice. ACU supports improving educational outcomes by permitting schools to hire the most qualified teacher applicants by reforming "one-size-fits-all" licensing regimes and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on December 17, 2020 by a vote of 70-35 and the bill was signed into law.
- 6. SB 665 Expanding Entrepreneurship by Allowing Micro Breweries to Operate More Tasting Rooms.** This bill would reduce anti-competitive restriction on alcoholic beverage manufacturers by permitting an owner of a microbrewery, who produces 120,000 barrels of beer or less, to operate up to three tasting rooms throughout the state. ACU supports expanding consumer choice and advancing entrepreneurship and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on September 23, 2020 by a vote of 105-0 and the bill was signed into law.





7. **SB 672 Improving Access to Mental Health Care by Reforming “Certificate of Need” Regulations.** This bill is designed to improve access to health care for individuals seeking mental health care by expanding an exemption under the state’s draconian certificate of need (CON) law. The state’s CON law serves as a regulatory barrier to prevent health care facilities from opening or expanding unless investors prove a “need” for the facilities. Under this bill, any health facility located in a county with a population of 40,000 or less which provides psychiatric care or is a psychiatric hospital would be exempt from CON requirements for any upgrades of up to \$10 million as opposed to \$2.5 million under existing law. ACU supports completely eliminating 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 passed the bill on December 17, 2020 by a vote of 57-45 but the bill was defeated by a pocket veto from the governor.
8. **SB 761 Enabling “Policing for Profit” at Airports by Weakening Protections Against Asset Forfeiture Abuse.** This bill offers certain police units a carveout to the major civil asset forfeiture reform passed in 2019 which strengthened property rights by combatting “policing for profit.” Specifically, this bill removes a requirement that a criminal conviction be obtained before an individual’s assets are taken through civil asset forfeiture if the property is seized at an airport. 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 opposes civil asset forfeiture absent a criminal conviction and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on December 17, 2020 by a vote of 70-35 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
9. **SB 857 Strengthening Legislative Oversight of Executive Emergency Declarations.** This bill would provide a crucial check on the authority of the executive branch to impose executive orders during emergencies without legislative oversight. The bill is in response to Governor Whitmer’s sweeping emergency declaration issued during the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. Specifically, the bill would repeal the “1945 Emergency Powers of the Governor Act” which provides governors with the authority to declare emergencies for an unlimited length of time without approval from the legislature. ACU supports strengthening crucial checks and balances between the coequal branches of government, 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 passed the bill on December 18, 2020 by a vote of 57-43 but the bill was vetoed by the governor. (The 1945 law was later found unconstitutional by the Michigan Supreme Court.)
10. **SB 899 Protecting Healthcare Providers from Frivolous Litigation through COVID-19 Liability Protections.** This bill ensures that health care providers and their frontline workers are protected from lawsuit abuse related to the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak by establishing limited liability protections. An exemption is provided in cases that “constitute willful misconduct, gross negligence, intentional and willful criminal misconduct, or intentional infliction of harm.” ACU supports protecting frontline workers from lawsuit abuse related to COVID-19 and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on July 22, 2020 by a vote of 56-51 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
11. **SB 956 Protecting Nursing Home Residents from Unnecessary COVID-19 Exposure.** This bill helps protect elderly high-risk individuals from being exposed to the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) by prohibiting patients who test positive with the virus from being transferred into nursing homes. The bill contains an exemption if the nursing facility has a separate physical building designed to care for those with the virus. The bill is in response to Governor Whitmer’s executive order which forced nursing homes to accept patients who were exposed to the virus. ACU recognizes that at least 30% of Michigan’s reported death due to COVID-19 occurred in long-term care facilities. ACU opposes Governor Whitmer’s horrendous handling of the virus, supports protecting high-risk individuals from exposure to the virus, through and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on July 22, 2020 by a vote of 74-34 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
12. **SB 977 Combatting Vote Fraud by Enhancing Penalties for “Ballot Harvesting.”** This bill strengthens the integrity of Michigan’s elections by making it a felony to knowingly send in an absentee voter ballot application with another person’s name and personal information, unless expressly authorized by law. ACU supports efforts to strengthen election integrity and protect against “ballot harvesting” and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on September 24, 2020 by a vote of 77-26 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.





13. **SB 1133 Hiking Taxes on Propane to Fund an Unnecessary Marketing Commission.** This bill expands cronyism by creating a new government “propane commission” which has the power to levy additional taxes on propane sellers (ultimately passed onto consumers through higher prices) if a majority of propane sellers approve the tax. The funds would in part allow the government to further interfere in the marketplace by “promoting the use of high efficiency appliances and equipment through rebate and incentive programs”. ACU recognizes that the propane industry already works together through a voluntary association that markets their product. ACU opposes this government intrusion into the marketplace and unnecessarily increases propane costs in order to fuel cronyism and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on December 16, 2020 by a vote of 81-24 and the bill was signed into law.
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14. **SB 1253 Reopening Michigan by Strengthening Legislative Oversight of Executive Emergency Declarations and Ending Restrictions on Religion.** This bill would provide a crucial check on the authority of the executive branch to impose executive orders during emergencies without legislative oversight. The bill is in response to Governor Whitmer’s administrations sweeping epidemic orders issued during the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. Specifically, the bill would require any “epidemic order” declared by the Department of Health and Human Services to only stand in effect for 28 days unless both houses of the legislature approve an extension. Additionally, this bill would protect against the arbitrary nature of the orders and allow businesses which are ordered to shutdown to operate if they follow the same health and safety precautions that are required of other businesses. Lastly this bill provides a crucial protection for religious liberty by no longer allowing the government to impose orders which restrict capacity at a place of worship. ACU supports strengthening crucial checks and balances between the coequal branches of government, 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 passed the bill on December 17, 2020 by a vote of 59-44 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
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15. **HCR 17 Defending Work Requirements for Work-Ready Medicaid Recipients.** This resolution urges the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services to appeal the federal court ruling which invalidated Michigan’s Medicaid work requirements. In 2018, Michigan passed SB 897 (positively scored by ACUF) which encouraged self-sufficiency by directing the state to apply for a waiver from the federal government in order to implement work requirements for certain recipients of Medicaid (government subsidized health care). Implementing this policy was ultimately blocked by a federal District Judge on the United States District Court for the District of Columbia. ACU supports efforts to help people live healthier, happier, more productive lives and efforts to reduce intergenerational poverty by encouraging individuals to become self-sufficient and supported this resolution. The House passed the resolution on March 12, 2020 by a vote of 56-51. (The resolution failed to advance in the Senate.)
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16. **HCR 24 Requiring Greater Transparency over the Governor’s COVID-19 Response.** This resolution increases transparency over Governor Whitmer’s horrendous management of the state’s response to the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19). Specifically, this bill requires the Governor to compile and make publicly available public health data related to COVID-19. This data includes number of COVID-19 tests and their results, number of occupied hospital beds, number of confirmed COVID-19 deaths and underlying health conditions, number of deaths in retirement communities and number of medical professionals who have been furloughed, had work hours reduced, or received a cut in pay since March 10, 2020. ACU believes it is in the public interest to have as much accurate data publicly available to help individuals 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 resolution. The House passed the resolution on June 18, 2020 by a vote of 69-37. (The Senate adopted the resolution by voice vote.)
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17. **HR 277 Voicing Opposition to the Radical Left’s Effort to “Defund the Police.”** This resolution discourages local governments from caving to pressure from far-left radicals in their mission to weaken public safety by defunding and eventually abolishing the police. ACU opposes the lawless calls to “defund the police,” supports protecting property rights by ensuring adequate staffing of local law enforcement and supported this resolution. The House passed the resolution on June 17, 2020 by a vote of 79-29.
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18. **HB 4020 Strengthening Self-Defense by Legalizing the Carrying of Stun Guns.** This bill strengthens self-defense rights by permitting individuals 18 and older to sell, possess, and use a stun gun. For many women in particular, a stun gun is the first choice to stop violent assaults. ACU recognizes permitting individuals to exercise their right to carry self-defense devices improves public safety—demonstrated by a significant reduction of aggravated and sexual assault incidences occurring on the campuses of Kansas, Georgia, and Arizona State universities since permitting students to carry stun guns. ACU supports strengthening self-defense and eliminating policies that infringe constitutional rights and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on January 14, 2020 by a vote of 84-24. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
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19. **HB 4035 Protecting Dog Ownership by Preventing Breed-Specific Bans by Local Governments.** This bill protects the ability for individuals to own the dog of their choice by preventing local governments from enacting policies that regulate a dog based on breed. The bill still permits localities to generally regulate “dangerous dogs”. ACU recognizes it is more effective for local governments to crackdown on poor behaving dogs and their owners rather than impose outright bans based on arbitrary traits and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on October 13, 2020 by a vote of 88-13. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
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20. **HB 4042 Easing a Regulatory Burden in the Healthcare Industry Through Licensing Reciprocity for Qualified Nurses.** This bill expands competition and access to healthcare by joining Michigan with 34 other states in the Nurse Licensure Compact (NLC). The NLC allows for certain qualified nurses to have one multistate license which allows them to practice in all NLC states without being burdened to obtain additional licenses. ACU supports expanding competition and employment opportunities by reducing regulatory barriers and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on February 26, 2020 by a vote of 55-50 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
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21. **HB 4717 Authorizing the Creation of Michigan-Only Gas Cans to Bypass Obama-Era Federal Mandates.** This bill expands consumer choice by permitting Michiganders to purchase gas cans that don't comply Obama-era Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regulations. The bill accomplishes this by ensuring gas cans made, sold, and used only in Michigan are not subject to interstate commerce laws, and therefore don't comply with EPA mandates. The bill is in response to a 2009 EPA mandate which forced all gas cans to have automatically closing spouts, supposedly to reduce vapors. However, the regulation has largely resulted in increased gasoline spills. ACU supports the 10th Amendment and fighting back against excessive federal government regulations and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on September 15, 2020 by a vote of 63-46. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
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22. **HB 4792 Expanding Consumer Fuel Options by Authorizing Gas Stations to Sell Fuel without an Attendant Present.** This bill reduces costs and makes it easier for consumers to obtain fuel by permitting gas to be sold at pumps when an attendant is not working. Michigan is one of only a handful of states that still has an antiquated law that mandates an employee be present at all hours for fuel sales. The bill includes multiple new safety protocols for stations that do not have an attendant onsite, as well as permits localities to still ban the practice. ACU opposes this antiquated mandate that now solely serves as a “make-work regulation,” supports expanding consumer fuel options and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on December 16, 2020 by a vote of 58-49 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
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23. **HB 4866 Expanding Automotive Freedom by Easing Restrictions on Surplus Military Vehicles.** This bill would expand automotive freedom by easing restrictions on the roadway operation of surplus military vehicles by civilians. Under the bill, vehicles such as HUMVEEs, would be permitted to be registered as historic vehicles and operated on roadways if they meet certain requirements set forth in the bill. For example, the vehicles must be at least 25 years of age, pass a safety inspection, and not be a tracked or half-tracked vehicle (as opposed to wheeled). ACU supports expanding automotive freedom and protecting the right for individuals to own, operate and enjoy their vehicles and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on June 24, 2020 by a vote of 95-12 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
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- 24. HB 4910 Strengthening Property Rights by Clarifying Laws Surrounding Emotional Support Animals.** This bill is designed to curb abuse of laws surrounding “emotional support animals” (ESAs), also known as service animals. Some individuals have legitimate needs for service animals, and existing law affords opportunities to meet those needs. Recently, a cottage industry has sprung up and has been abusing these opportunities by encouraging individuals to fraudulently claim a need for ESAs. Not only does this jeopardize individuals with legitimate needs, but it also infringes the rights of property owners to use and control their own property. Under this bill, a housing provider may terminate the tenancy of anyone who knowingly provides fraudulent information or documentation in order to designate a pet as an ESA. Additionally, health professionals who falsely indicate that a person has a disability, or so indicate without personal knowledge of the disability, are subject to disciplinary action from regulatory agencies. ACUF’s Center for 21st Century Property Rights is a leading voice on this issue and works to protect businesses and property owners from government overreach. ACU supports reforming service animal policies to protect the property rights of businesses and property owners and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on December 21, 2020 by a vote of 66-36 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
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- 25. HB 4980 Reforming the Criminal Justice System by Sealing Convictions after at Least Seven Years of Good Conduct.** This bill, known as the Clean Slate Act, is designed to reduce recidivism and expand employment opportunities for those with low-level criminal convictions. Under the bill, individuals who have been convicted of certain misdemeanors and non-violent felonies, but have remained crime free, would be eligible to seal those convictions from public access after at least seven years of good conduct. This bill would limit the number of records eligible to be sealed in an individual’s life to two felony convictions and four misdemeanor convictions. 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 this effort to expand employment and reduce recidivism and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on September 24, 2020 by a vote of 93-12 and the bill was signed into law.
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- 26. HB 4993 Providing Taxpayer Funds to Leftist Activist Groups Through Tax Credits for Contributions to Community Foundations.** This bill advances an entirely new level of cronyism by authorizing individuals to receive tax credits of up to 50 percent of the amount they contribute to community foundations in the state. The credit is capped at \$100 per taxpayer and \$5,000 for estates and trusts. ACU recognizes that many of the state’s community foundations are politically active and advance leftist initiatives. In fact, the state’s largest foundation, the Kalamazoo Community Foundation, has an entire lobbying division that advocated for this bill, as well as policies relating to “environmental justice,” “climate equity,” and “social justice.” ACU opposes directing taxpayer funds to political advocacy and this precedent of providing government the ability to pick winners and losers in charitable giving and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on September 22, 2020 by a vote of 74-31. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
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- 27. HB 5024 Advancing Another Scheme to Hike Property Taxes Under the Guise of “Mosquito Abatement”.** This bill provides townships a new avenue to covertly hike property taxes even further. Under the bill, townships may now submit ballot proposals to raise the property tax by an additional \$1 million for purposes of “mosquito abatement.” Homeowners across the state are already being hit with enormous increases in property tax bills due to rising real estate values and this bill serves as an even greater burden, as a homeowner with a \$250,000 home will now have to pay an additional \$250.00 in property taxes under the measure. While ACU does not oppose government mosquito abatement for public health purposes, we believe such a program should be funded out of existing resources, especially considering the significant increases in revenue townships are already receiving. ACU opposes making home ownership less attainable through excessive taxation and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 17, 2020 by a vote of 72-21 and the bill was signed into law.
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- 28. HB 5097 Increasing Consumer Access to Credit by Expanding Payday Lending Options.** This bill would expand borrowing and lending options for individuals with poor credit or limited credit history by permitting payday lenders to offer new “small loan” options. Specifically, this bill would allow for loans of up to \$2,500 for 90 days or longer, with a maximum term of one year, to be offered to consumers with a maximum fee of 11% of the amount of the loan per month. ACU opposes government-imposed price controls on interest rates, which reduce loan opportunities for those without strong credit or credit history and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on May 27, 2020 by a vote of 58-49. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
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29. **HB 5134 Expanding Youth Employment Opportunities at Amusement Parks.** This bill expands employment opportunities for high-school students by aligning state law with federal law so that individuals 16 to 18 years of age can now operate amusement park rides. Previous state law required individuals to be at least 18 years of age. The bill requires individuals to be trained to operate the rides and in ride-specific safety procedures. ACU supports this measure which provides youths with valuable life and work skills and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on March 10, 2020 by a vote of 97-8 and the bill was signed into law.
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30. **HB 5217 Allowing College Athletes to Profit from their Own Name.** The NCAA exploits athletes, engages in anticompetitive practices and prevents athletes from engaging in other commercial activities available to every other person in America. That is why ACU considers the NCAA to be a criminal enterprise and why this legislation is a good first step toward protecting the rights of college athletes. Specifically, the bill permits student athletes within the NCAA and other athletic associations to receive compensation if their name, image, or likeness (i.e., NIL rights) 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 December 21, 2020 by a vote of 93-9 and the bill was signed into law.
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31. **HB 5286 Ensuring Localities Don't Infringe Individual Liberties to Carry Knives.** This bill strengthens individual liberties by preempting local regulations which infringe an individual's right of self-defense by carrying a knife. The bill includes attempts by localities to enact ordinances more stringent than state law pertaining to the transportation, possession, carrying, sale, purchase, and manufacturing of a knife or knife-making components. ACU supports expanding individual liberties and strengthening the right of self-defense and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on March 12, 2020 by a vote of 71-36. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
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32. **HB 5313 Ensuring Equal Taxation of Motor Vehicle Transportation.** This bill helps ensure that all motorists are equally responsible for maintaining public roads by clarifying definitions of hybrid electric vehicles to ensure drivers pay their fair-share of transportation infrastructure costs. Due to the fact drivers of electric vehicles do not pay the gas tax, and enjoy federal tax credits up to \$7,500, the bill is designed to help ensure they are paying their portion of road maintenance costs. ACU supports all sources of energy, believes all motorists (regardless of how their vehicles are powered) should contribute to infrastructure costs and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on June 17, 2020 by a vote of 82-26 and the bill was signed into law.
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33. **HB 5343 Reducing Cronyism in the Alcohol Industry by Removing Excessive Regulations on Distribution.** This bill reduces anti-competitive regulations in the alcohol industry by increasing the amount of beer a micro brewer is allowed to self-distribute to a retailer or distributor from 1,000 to 2,000 barrels annually. ACU supports expanding entrepreneurship and expanding consumer choice by reducing unnecessary and anti-competitive regulations and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on February 20, 2020 by a vote of 100-4 and the bill was signed into law.
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34. **HB 5407 Infringing Consumer Choice by Banning Replaceable Battery Smoke Detectors.** This bill infringes consumer choice and drives up costs by prohibiting the sale of smoke detectors that have replaceable and removable batteries. Under the bill, only smoke detectors that are wired or have 10 year nonreplaceable batteries are permitted to be sold in the state starting in 2022. ACU recognizes that this mandate significantly drives up the cost of smoke alarms, likely resulting in consumers placing less alarms arounds their homes, making them less safe. ACU opposes this government intrusion into the private sector and infringement on consumer choice and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on June 24, 2020 by a vote of 89-19. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
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35. **HB 5479 Protecting Taxpayers from Wasteful Firearm Buyback Programs.** This bill would protect taxpayers from wasteful spending by prohibiting the state and local governments from implementing firearm buyback programs. These initiatives force taxpayers to purchase firearms from the public and incentivize the sale of old and worthless units to government. ACU supports the founders' belief in the Second Amendment, supports efforts to eliminate wasteful spending and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on March 4, 2020 by a vote of 58-49. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
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- 36. HB 5589 Increasing Consumer Access to Credit at Pawnshops.** This bill would expand borrowing and lending options for individuals with poor credit or limited credit history by providing pawnbrokers greater flexibility to assess risk and adjust rates accordingly. Under existing law, pawnbrokers are prohibited from charging fees and interest rates above 3% per month. Under this bill, brokers would be permitted to charge up to 4% interest per month. ACU opposes government-imposed price controls on interest rates, which reduce loan opportunities for those without strong credit or credit history and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on June 24, 2020 by a vote of 67-41. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
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- 37. HB 5602 Protecting the Right of Property Owners to Install Low-Wattage Electric Fences.** This bill strengthens property by ensuring property owners are able to install low-wattage electric fences and associated equipment on their properties. The bill clarifies that property owners do not have to obtain any type of approval from a locality as long as the electric fence is surrounded by a non-electric fence which is at least 5 feet in height. The bill is in response to the draconian regulations of some localities which have effectively made low-voltage security fences unusable. ACU supports strengthening property rights and ensuring property owners are able to secure their properties and supported this bill. ACU supports the ability for property owners to secure their properties and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on June 24, 2020 by a vote of 68-40 and the bill was signed into law.
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- 38. HB 5709 Shielding Residents from Criminal Penalties for Violations of the Governor's Authoritarian COVID-19 Orders.** This bill ensures anyone who disobeys an executive order by the Governor is only responsible for a civil infraction not to exceed \$100 (\$500 for businesses). Prior to this bill anyone who violated an executive order was guilty of a misdemeanor, which is punishable by a fine of up to \$500 and 93 days in jail. The bill is in response to Governor Whitmer's horrendous executive orders relating to the Chinese Coronavirus (COVID-19). ACU 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 passed the bill on April 30, 2020 by a vote of 62-38. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
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- 39. HB 5975 Expanding Access to Child Care by Easing Child-to-Staff Ratio Mandates.** This bill is designed to combat the shortage of child care by easing child-to-staff ratio mandates. Specifically, this bill increases the child-to-staff ratio from 6:1 to 7:1 for childcare providers with some caveats based on child age. The bill is partly in response to the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak and the resulting economic shutdown which shuttered schools and businesses, leaving parents to care for children while simultaneously earning a living. ACU opposes many mandates on the child care service industry which limit the availability and affordability of care and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on December 1, 2020 by a vote of 59-44. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
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- 40. HB 6030 Reopening Michigan by Creating Liability Protections for Businesses.** This bill, dubbed the COVID-19 Response and Reopening Liability Assurance Act, ensures that businesses are protected from lawsuit abuse related to the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. Specifically, this bill provides businesses protection from COVID-19 related liability if they comply with applicable federal and state health regulations. ACU supports reopening the economy by protecting businesses from lawsuit abuse related to COVID-19 and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on October 14, 2020 by a vote of 86-15 and the bill was signed into law.
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- 41. HB 6233 Raising Vehicle Costs by Blocking Direct to Consumer Automotive Sales.** This bill expands cronyism and drives up consumer vehicle costs by completely blocking the ability for manufacturers to sell vehicles directly to consumers. While the state already has draconian regulations that largely prevent direct vehicle sales, certain loopholes exist, providing a pathway for primarily electric vehicle manufacturers such as Tesla, Rivian and Lucid Motors to sell their vehicles without dealer networks. The original version of the bill codified a recent agreement between Michigan Secretary of State Jocelyn Benson and Tesla, which allowed Tesla to be the only manufacturer permitted to sell vehicles directly to consumers and bypass motor vehicle dealers (middlemen) which drive up vehicle costs, but the bill was later amended to prevent any manufacturer, including Tesla and other electric vehicle manufacturers from selling directly to consumers. ACU supports the freedom of manufacturers and consumers to freely contract through direct sales and opposes this protectionist bill which unnecessarily drives up vehicle costs and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on December 2, 2020 by a vote of 65-39. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
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