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

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

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

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

Matt Schlapp
Chairman
American Conservative Union Foundation





ABOUT THE CENTER FOR LEGISLATIVE ACCOUNTABILITY

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

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

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

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METHODOLOGY

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

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

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

ANNUAL METRICS


ANALYZE
105,000
BILLS


SELECT
2,000
BILLS


RATE
8,000
ELECTED
OFFICIALS

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



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2021 WINNERS & LOSERS

90-100% AWARD FOR CONSERVATIVE EXCELLENCE

 **1** since last year*

SENATE

MYERS JR., ROBERT
REINBOLD, LORA

 **6** since last year*

HOUSE

CARPENTER, BEN	MCCABE, KEVIN
EASTMAN, DAVID	MCKAY, THOMAS
GILLHAM, RON	RAUSCHER, GEORGE
KAUFMAN, JAMES	TILTON, CATHY
KURKA, CHRISTOPHER	VANCE, SARAH

80-89% AWARD FOR CONSERVATIVE ACHIEVEMENT

 **1** since last year*

SENATE


HUGHES, SHELLEY
SHOWER, MIKE

 **2** since last year*

HOUSE

CRONK, MIKE
JOHNSON, DELENA

≤ 10% COALITION OF THE RADICAL LEFT

 **No change** since last year*

SENATE

Begich, Tom
Gray-Jackson, Elvi

 **14** since last year*

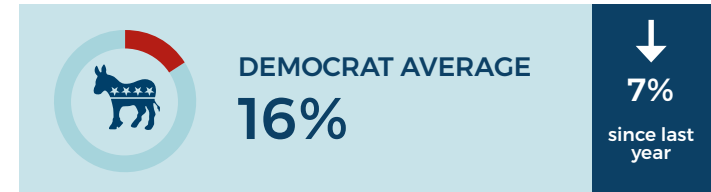
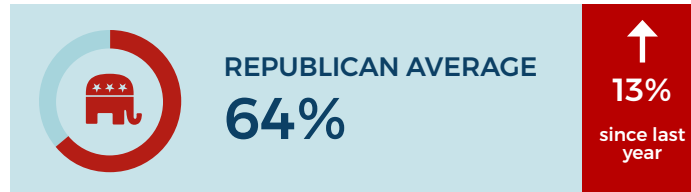
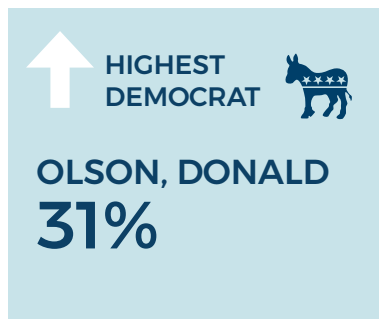
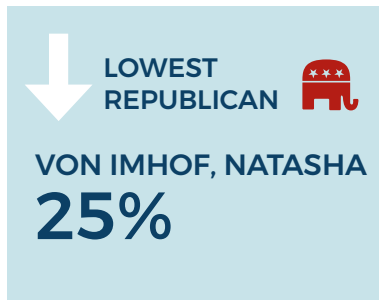
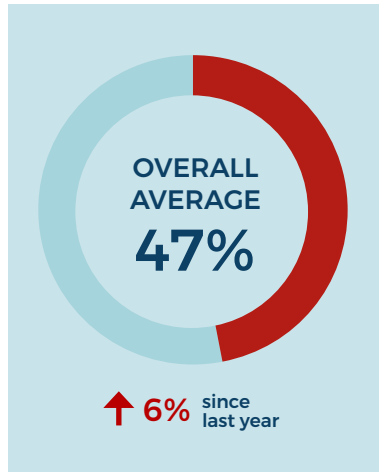
HOUSE

Claman, Matt	Hopkins, Grier	Story, Andi
Drummond, Harriet	Josephson, Andy	Tarr, Geran
Edgmon, Bryce	Kreiss-Tomkins, Jonathan	Wool, Adam
Fields, Zack	Ortiz, Daniel	Zulkosky, Tiffany
Foster, Neal	Snyder, Liz	
Hannan, Sara	Spohnholz, Ivy	

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



ALASKA SENATE STATISTICS

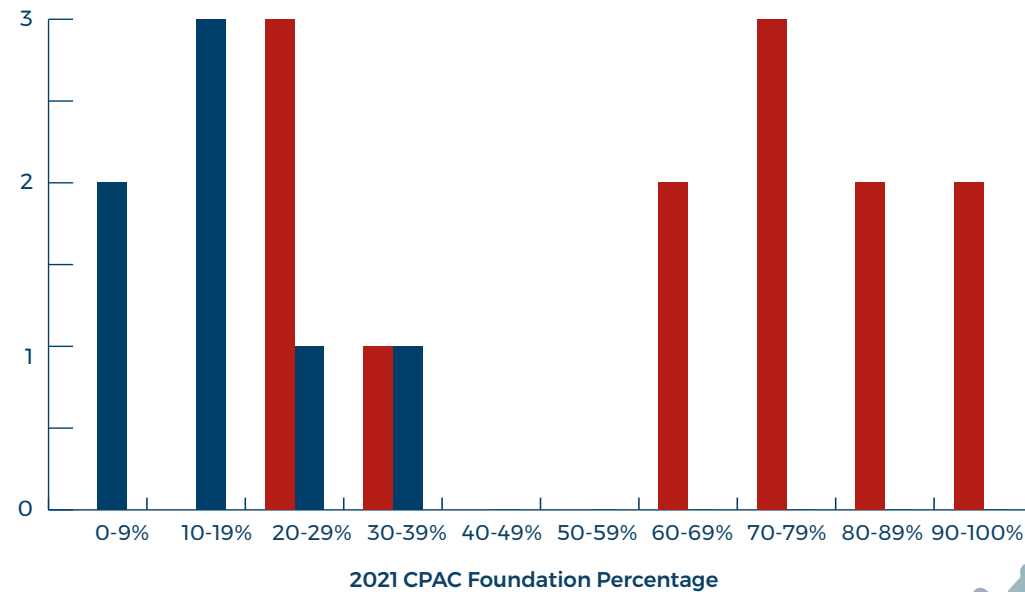


ALASKA SENATE CONSERVATIVE RATINGS

RED = REPUBLICANS
13 TOTAL IN SENATE

BLUE = DEMOCRATS
7 TOTAL IN SENATE

OF STATE SENATORS





ALASKA SENATE SCORES

ALASKA SENATE VOTE DETAIL

	Party	Dist.	2021 %	2020 %	LIFETIME AVG	SB 10	HJR 12	SB 20	HB 36	HB 69 (Reinbold Amd. 3)	HB 69 (Shower Amd. 6)	HB 69 (Shower Amd. 11)	HB 69 (Myers Amd. 13)	HB 69 (Wielechowski Amd. 15)	HB 69 (Olson Amd. 35)	HB 76 (Myers Amd. 15)	HB 76 (Costello Amd. 18)	HB 76 (Wielechowski Amd. 20)	HB 76 (Reinbold Amd. 39)
Begich, Tom	D	J	7%	10%	24%	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BISHOP, CLICK	R	C	29%	30%	54%	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-
COSTELLO, MIA	R	K	69%	n/a	74%	x	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-
Gray-Jackson, Elvi	D	I	7%	20%	29%	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hoffman, Lyman	D	S	17%	30%	57%	-	x	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	-	-	+	-
HOLLAND, ROGER	R	N	79%	n/a	79%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+
HUGHES, SHELLEY	R	F	86%	80%	80%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-
Kawasaki, Scott	D	A	14%	40%	34%	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kiehl, Jesse	D	Q	14%	10%	28%	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MICCICHE, PETER	R	O	71%	60%	71%	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-
MYERS JR., ROBERT	R	B	92%	n/a	92%	+	x	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Olson, Donald	D	T	31%	33%	51%	-	x	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+
REINBOLD, LORA	R	G	92%	67%	81%	+	+	x	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
REVAK, JOSHUA	R	M	64%	n/a	64%	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-
SHOWER, MIKE	R	E	83%	100%	94%	+	x	x	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-
STEDMAN, BERT	R	R	36%	40%	66%	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-
STEVENS, GARY	R	P	29%	30%	57%	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-

+ = Member voted with ACU's position
 - = Member voted against ACU's position
 x = Member was absent for vote

† = Legislator did not vote on enough of the selected bills and as a result did not receive a rating for the 2021 session. Two-thirds of the selected bills must be voted on to receive a score.
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- SB 10 Further Socializing Higher Education Costs Through the Creation of a \$10 Million Grant Program.
- HJR 12 Urging the Biden Administration to Honor the Trump Oil and Natural Gas Leases.
- SB 20 Combatting Teacher Shortages by Expanding Licensing Reciprocity for Teachers Moving to Alaska.
- HB 36 Hiking Automotive Dealer Costs by Doubling Surety Bonding Mandates.

- HB 69 (Reinbold Amd. 3) Combatting Leftist Indoctrination at Public Schools by Defunding Critical Race Theory.
- HB 69 (Shower Amd. 6) Reducing Government Waste Through the Elimination of Unnecessary Bureaucratic Positions.
- HB 69 (Shower Amd. 11) Defunding State Agencies that Impose COVID-19 Vaccination Mandates on their Employees.

- HB 69 (Myers Amd. 13) Protecting Life by Prohibiting Taxpayer Medicaid Funds from being Used to Provide Abortions.
- HB 69 (Wielechowski Amd. 15) Constraining Alaska's Workforce by Continuing Enhanced Federal Unemployment Benefits.
- HB 69 (Olson Amd. 35) Socializing Renewable Energy Costs Through a \$19.4 Million Appropriation to the Kotzebue Electric Association.

- HB 76 (Myers Amd. 15) Protecting Taxpayers by Preventing Abuse of Workers Compensation During COVID-19.
- HB 76 (Costello Amd. 18) Improving Educational Outcomes by Reopening Schools for In-Person Learning.
- HB 76 (Wielechowski Amd. 20) Allowing COVID-19 Relief Funds to be Used for Abortion.
- HB 76 (Reinbold Amd. 39) Providing a Legislative Check on Executive Emergency Powers.



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VON IMHOF, NATASHA	R	L	25%	30%	55%	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-
Wielechowski, Bill	D	H	21%	20%	37%	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WILSON, DAVID	R	D	79%	78%	76%	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-

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ALASKA SENATE VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

1. **SB 10 Further Socializing Higher Education Costs Through the Creation of a \$10 Million Grant Program.** This bill further socializes higher education costs by establishing a new grant program which doles out \$10 million in taxpayer funds. Under the program, anyone who was employed as an “essential worker” or was laid off due to the COVID-19 pandemic would be eligible for a grant covering the cost of annual college tuition and fees. ACU believes subsidizing higher education represents the largest transfer of wealth from lower-income individuals to higher-income individuals, believes instead society should reduce the exorbitant cost of higher education by eliminating wasteful programs and useless administrative positions and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 17, 2021 by a vote of 12-7. (The house failed to advance in the House.)
2. **HJR 12 Urging the Biden Administration to Honor the Trump Oil and Natural Gas Leases.** This resolution urges President Biden’s administration to drive down energy prices by honoring the oil and natural gas leases issued during the Trump administration. The resolution is in response to an executive order President Biden issued on his first day of office establishing a moratorium on drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska. ACU supports all sources of energy and believes government should not favor one source of energy over another. ACU supports unleashing American energy production to drive down consumer costs and expand economic growth and supported this resolution. The Senate passed the resolution on March 29, 2021 by a vote of 13-2.
3. **SB 20 Combatting Teacher Shortages by Expanding Licensing Reciprocity for Teachers Moving to Alaska.** This bill helps get qualified educators more quickly into classrooms by enacting licensing reciprocity for teachers. Under prior law, out-of-state educators who possess the equivalent of an Alaska professional teacher’s license in their current state were allowed to receive a 3-month preliminary teacher’s license without being required to take a costly assessment, as long as certain education and training requirements are completed within a timeframe. ACU supports improving educational outcomes by ensuring schools are able to hire and retain the most successful and effective teachers and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on May 3, 2021 by a vote of 17-0.
4. **HB 36 Hiking Automotive Dealer Costs by Doubling Surety Bonding Mandates.** This bill ultimately drives up consumer costs by imposing new mandates onto motor vehicle dealers. Most notably, the bill doubles the surety bond requirement for dealers from \$50,000 to \$100,00. ACU placing a costly additional regulatory burden on small automotive dealers and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 18, 2021 by a vote of 20-0 and the bill was signed into law.
5. **HB 69 (Reinbold Amd. 3) Combatting Leftist Indoctrination at Public Schools by Defunding Critical Race Theory.** The Reinbold (ACUF Lifetime 81%) amendment #3 to the appropriations bill is designed to ensure students receive instruction on core subject areas and prevent classrooms from being used to indoctrinate students with Leftist ideals such as critical race theory (CRT). Under the amendment, no public funds may be expended to teach critical race theory in a public school. ACU opposes the Left’s quest to advance CRT and other ideals designed to advance division and grow the role of government and supported this bill. The Senate failed to adopt the amendment on May 19, 2021 by a vote of 9-11.
6. **HB 69 (Shower Amd. 6) Reducing Government Waste Through the Elimination of Unnecessary Bureaucratic Positions.** The Shower (ACUF Lifetime 94%) amendment #6 to the appropriations bill helps reduce taxpayer costs by eliminating 5 currently vacant positions within the Alaska Department of Environmental Conservation. ACU supports efforts to streamline government and eliminate unnecessary functions and positions and supported this amendment. The Senate failed to adopt the amendment on May 19, 2021 by a vote of 5-15.
7. **HB 69 (Shower Amd. 11) Defunding State Agencies that Impose COVID-19 Vaccination Mandates on their Employees.** The Shower (ACUF Lifetime 94%) amendment #11 to the appropriations bill helps combat government bureaucrat overreach by withholding appropriations to agencies which mandate employees receive a COVID-19 vaccination. ACU supports staffing government with the most talented and productive employees, opposes the termination of quality employees due to the political whims of government bureaucrats and supported this amendment. The Senate failed to adopt the amendment on May 19, 2021 by a vote of 10-10.



8. **HB 69 (Myers Amd. 13) Protecting Life by Prohibiting Taxpayer Medicaid Funds from being Used to Provide Abortions.** The Myers (ACUF Lifetime 92%) amendment #13 to the appropriations bill helps protect life by prohibiting taxpayer Medicaid funds from being used to provide abortion. ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions to end the practice, opposes taxpayer funding of abortion providers and supported this bill. The Senate failed to adopt the amendment on May 19, 2021 by a vote of 10-10.

9. **HB 69 (Wielechowski Amd. 15) Constraining Alaska's Workforce by Continuing Enhanced Federal Unemployment Benefits.** The Wielechowski (ACUF Lifetime 37%) amendment #15 to the appropriations bill stifles economic growth by appropriating funds received from the American Rescue Plan Act to maintain the federal \$300 weekly unemployment benefits through September 4, 2021. ACU recognizes that coupled with federal unemployment benefits, a number of individuals on unemployment may actually earn more than they would on the job. ACU opposes measures which discourage individuals from reentering the workforce and opposed this amendment. The Senate failed to adopt the amendment on May 19, 2021 by a vote of 10-10.

10. **HB 69 (Olson Amd. 35) Socializing Renewable Energy Costs Through a \$19.4 Million Appropriation to the Kotzebue Electric Association.** The Olson (ACUF Lifetime 51%) amendment #35 to the appropriations bill forces taxpayers to provide \$19.4 million to the Kotzebue Electric Association, which provides power to less than 1,000 Alaskans. The funds are for "energy sustainability" and will be used to advance the company's Leftist renewable energy agenda. ACU opposes socializing the costs of a Leftist renewable energy agenda onto taxpayers statewide and opposed this amendment. The Senate failed to adopt the amendment on May 19, 2021 by a vote of 6-13.

11. **HB 76 (Myers Amd. 15) Protecting Taxpayers by Preventing Abuse of Workers Compensation During COVID-19.** The Myers (ACUF Lifetime 92%) amendment #15 to the COVID-19 response and recovery bill helps protect taxpayers from unreasonable workers compensation liabilities by eliminating a provision of the bill which established a presumption that a first responder contracted COVID-19 during the course of their employment, and not during any other time they are off the clock. ACU opposes abusing the workers compensation and placing unreasonable liabilities on taxpayers and supported this amendment. The Senate failed to adopt the amendment on April 28, 2021 by a vote of 5-15.

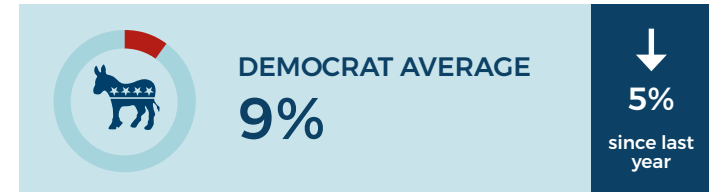
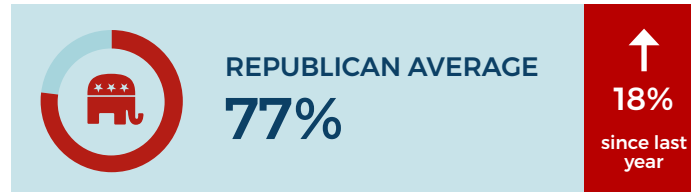
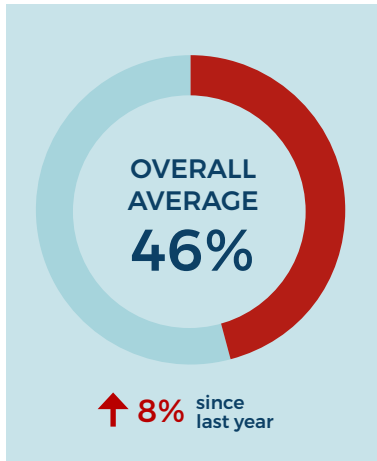
12. **HB 76 (Costello Amd. 18) Improving Educational Outcomes by Reopening Schools for In-Person Learning.** The Costello (ACUF Lifetime 74%) amendment #18 to the COVID-19 response and recovery bill stipulates that children have the right to attend school in person and a public school may only suspend in-person learning if the governor issues a declaration of disaster emergency stating that "in person education would cause harm to students." ACU supports providing families the option to send their students to in-person instruction, opposes exiling a generation of students to unproductive learning environments that obstruct academic achievement and supported this amendment as a step in the right direction. The Senate failed to adopt the amendment on April 28, 2021 by a vote of 9-11.

13. **HB 76 (Wielechowski Amd. 20) Allowing COVID-19 Relief Funds to be Used for Abortion.** The Wielechowski (ACUF Lifetime 37%) amendment #20 to the COVID-19 response and recovery bill removes protections against taxpayer funding of abortion. The amendment deletes language preventing any federal funds received through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES), Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRSSA), or American Rescue Plan Act from being used for abortions. ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions to end the practice, opposes taxpayer funding of abortions and opposed this amendment. The Senate failed to adopt the amendment on April 28, 2021 by a vote of 5-15.

14. **HB 76 (Reinbold Amd. 39) Providing a Legislative Check on Executive Emergency Powers.** The Reinbold (ACUF Lifetime 81%) amendment #39 to the COVID-19 response and recovery bill is designed to protect individual liberties by implementing a legislative check on executive emergency powers. Under the amendment, the legislature may terminate a disaster emergency by a majority vote. ACU believes that many of government's reactions to COVID-19 have done more harm than good, supports efforts to combat abuse of power by government officials and supported this amendment. The Senate failed to adopt the amendment on April 28, 2021 by a vote of 4-16.



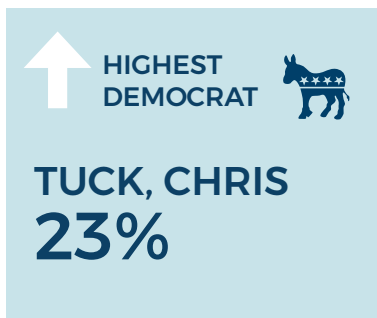
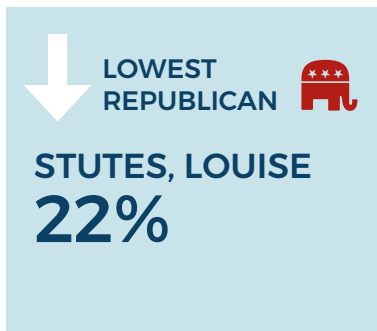
ALASKA HOUSE STATISTICS



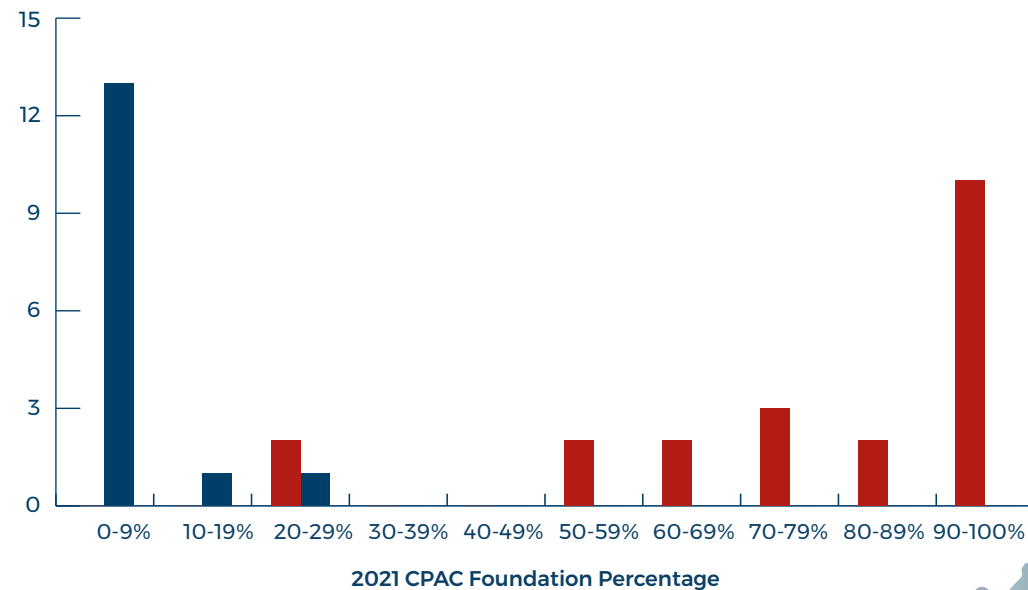
ALASKA HOUSE CONSERVATIVE RATINGS

RED = REPUBLICANS
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BLUE = DEMOCRATS
15 TOTAL IN HOUSE



OF STATE REPS





ALASKA HOUSE SCORES

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LEBON, BARTON	R	1	65%	21%	43%	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+
MCCABE, KEVIN	R	30	91%	n/a	91%	+	X	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+
MCCARTY, KEN	R	13	64%	n/a	64%	X	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-
MCKAY, THOMAS	R	15	90%	n/a	90%	X	X	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+
MERRICK, KELLY	R	14	27%	64%	56%	X	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+
NELSON, DAVID	R	18	71%	n/a	71%	+	X	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	X
Ortiz, Daniel	I	36	9%	14%	29%	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Patkotak, Josiah	I	40	n/a†	n/a	n/a	-	+	-	+	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	+	-	-	X
PRAX, GLENN	R	3	74%	91%	82%	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-
RASMUSSEN, SARA	R	22	57%	n/a	66%	+	+	-	X	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	X	-	+
RAUSCHER, GEORGE	R	9	95%	92%	95%	X	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Schrage, Calvin	I	12	13%	n/a	13%	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SHAW, LADDIE	R	26	73%	57%	60%	X	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+
Snyder, Liz	D	27	4%	n/a	4%	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Spohnholz, Ivy	D	16	9%	8%	24%	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Story, Andi	D	34	9%	14%	18%	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
STUTES, LOUISE	R	32	22%	14%	35%	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tarr, Geran	D	19	5%	15%	25%	-	X	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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2. **HJR 12 Urging the Biden Administration to Honor the Trump Oil and Natural Gas Leases.** This resolution urges President Biden's administration to drive down energy prices by honoring the oil and natural gas leases issued during the Trump administration. The resolution is in response to an executive order President Biden issued on his first day of office establishing a moratorium on drilling in the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge in Alaska. ACU supports all sources of energy and believes government should not favor one source of energy over another. ACU supports unleashing American energy production to drive down consumer costs and expand economic growth and supported this resolution. The House passed the resolution on April 5, 2021 by a vote of 32-2.
3. **HB 36 Hiking Automotive Dealer Costs by Doubling Surety Bonding Mandates.** This bill ultimately drives up consumer costs by imposing new mandates onto motor vehicle dealers. Most notably, the bill doubles the surety bond requirement for dealers from \$50,000 to \$100,00. ACU placing a costly additional regulatory burden on small automotive dealers and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 19, 2021 by a vote of 36-3 and the bill was signed into law.
4. **HB 69 (McCabe Amd. 17) Reducing Taxpayer Contracting Costs for the Alaska Marine Highway System.** The McCabe amendment (ACUF Lifetime 91%) #17 to the appropriations bill is designed to reduce taxpayer costs by directing the Alaska Marine Highway System to develop schedules that decrease costs and to contract with smaller and less expensive private ferry companies. ACU supports efforts to reduce taxpayer costs through government reforms and supported this amendment. The House failed to adopt the amendment on May 1, 2021 by a vote of 19-20.
5. **HB 69 (Thompson Amd. 29) Reducing Government Spending – Shared Services of Alaska.** The Thompson (ACUF Lifetime 64%) amendment #29 to the appropriations bill helps protect taxpayers by reducing spending at the Shared Services of Alaska. Additionally, the bill requires the department to prioritize cost-savings efforts and achieve a cost savings of at least five percent. ACU supports efforts to reduce taxpayer costs by shrinking the size and scope of government and supported this amendment. The House adopted the amendment on May 10, 2021 by a vote of 39-0.
6. **HB 69 (Eastman Amd. 33) Protecting Public Employees' "Right to Work" Without Being Forced to Pay Union Dues.** The Eastman (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment #33 to the appropriations bill ensures public employees have the "right to work" without joining a labor union by barring the state from requiring membership in a private organization as a prerequisite for state employment. The amendment would align state law with the U.S. Supreme Court's decision in Janus v. AFSCME. ACU has long supported the "right to work" without joining a union or paying dues, opposes holding government employees hostage to greedy union bosses and supported this amendment. The House failed to adopt the amendment on May 10, 2021 by a vote of 13-26.
7. **HB 69 (Eastman Amd. 35) Combatting Overspending by State Agencies.** The Eastman (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment #35 to the appropriations bill is designed to combat overspending by state agencies. Under the amendment, a department whose expenditures exceed budgeted amounts will have the expenses drawn from the department's budget for the next fiscal year. The amendment provides exceptions for the furtherance of public safety or declared emergencies. ACU supports protecting taxpayers by holding state entities accountable for their overspending and supported this amendment. The House failed to adopt the amendment on May 10, 2021 by a vote of 13-26.



8. **HB 69 (Vance Amd. 37) Protecting Second Amendment Rights at the University of Alaska.** The Vance (ACUF Lifetime 91%) amendment #37 to the appropriations bill protects Second Amendment rights by prohibiting state funds from being used to enforce gun control at the University of Alaska. Specifically, the bill stipulates that state funds appropriated to the University of Alaska not be used to enforce a regulation or policy of the statewide university system that denies or infringes on the individual right to keep and bear arms. ACU supports the founders' belief in the Second Amendment and supported this bill. The House failed to adopt the amendment on May 10, 2021 by a vote of 19-20.

9. **HB 69 (Eastman Amd. 40) Protecting Public Employees Right to Terminate Union Membership.** The Eastman (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment #40 to the appropriations bill provides public employees a critical protection against greedy union bosses. Under the bill, state departments are required to annually notify employees of their right to decline to have union dues taken from their paycheck. ACU has long supported the "right to work" without being forced to join a union or paying union dues, opposes holding government employees hostage to greedy union bosses and supported this amendment. The House failed to adopt the amendment on May 10, 2021 by a vote of 12-27.

10. **HB 69 (Eastman Amd. 42) Strengthening Fourth Amendment Rights by Limiting the Use of Facial Recognition Software.** The Eastman (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment to the appropriations bill strengthens Fourth Amendment Rights by limiting the DMVs use of facial recognition software. Specifically, the amendment stipulates that funds appropriated to the DMV not be used to implement or maintain the collection of biometric data compatible with facial recognition software. ACU supports strengthening civil liberties and privacy rights as protected under the Fourth Amendment and supported this amendment. The House adopted the amendment on May 10, 2021 by a vote of 20-19.

11. **HB 69 (Eastman Amd. 52) Defunding State Agencies that Impose COVID-19 Vaccination Mandates on their Employees.** The Eastman (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment #52 to the appropriations bill helps combat government bureaucrat overreach by withholding appropriations to agencies which mandate employees receive a COVID-19 vaccination. ACU supports staffing government with the most talented and productive employees, opposes the termination of quality employees due to the political whims of government bureaucrats and supported this amendment. The House failed to adopt the amendment on May 10, 2021 by a vote of 18-21.

12. **HB 69 (Eastman Amd. 55) Promoting Fiscal Responsibility by Prohibiting Unfunded Mandates.** The Eastman (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment #55 to the appropriations bill would prohibit the state from creating "unfunded mandates," programs or procedures that are created but allocated no funding. ACU recognizes that the creation of unfunded mandates has grown exponentially at all levels of government, supports this crucial measure to rein in the state's wasteful spending and supported this amendment. The House adopted the amendment on May 10, 2021 by a vote of 20-19.

13. **HB 69 (Eastman Amd. 56) Strengthening the Integrity of State Agency Expenditures.** The Eastman (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment #56 to the appropriations bill helps strengthen integrity over the expenditure of taxpayer funds by directing any unused appropriated funds for the purpose of paying state employee salaries be returned to the general fund. ACU supports efforts to ensure unused taxpayer funds are redirected to core government functions as opposed to wasteful and unapproved bureaucratic initiatives and supported this amendment. The House failed to adopt the amendment on May 10, 2021 by a vote of 19-20.

14. **HB 69 (Eastman Amd. 57) Protecting Taxpayers by Directing State Agencies to Cut Spending.** The Eastman (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment #57 to the appropriations bill helps protect taxpayers by directing state agencies to identify means of reducing spending so that per capita state spending is reduced to less than twice the national average by fiscal year 2023. In 2020, Alaska had the nation's highest per capita state spending at \$16,288, far above the national average of \$6,906. ACU supports all efforts to reign in the state's out-of-control spending and supported this amendment. The House failed to adopt the amendment on May 10, 2021 by a vote of 12-27.



15. **HB 69 (Kurka Amd. 60) Protecting Life by Prohibiting Taxpayer Medicaid Funds from being Used to Provide Abortion.** The Kurka (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment #60 (as amended) to the appropriations bill helps protect life by prohibiting taxpayer Medicaid funds from being used to provide abortion. ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions to end the practice, opposes taxpayer funding of abortion providers and supported this bill. The House adopted the amendment on May 10, 2021 by a vote of 21-18.

 16. **HB 69 (Eastman Amd. 68) Protecting Taxpayer Funds from Being Used for Union Dues Collection.** The Eastman (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment #68 to the appropriations bill strengthens government integrity by prohibiting taxpayer funds from being used to support the collection of dues imposed by unions on their workers. ACU supports the right to work without joining a union or paying dues, supports efforts to combat greedy union bosses and supported this amendment as a step in the right direction. The House failed to adopt the amendment on May 10, 2021 by a vote of 17-22.

 17. **HB 76 (Eastman Amd. 4) Providing a Legislative Check on Executive Emergency Powers.** The Eastman (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment #4 to the COVID-19 response and recovery bill is designed to protect individual liberties by implementing a legislative check on executive emergency powers. Under the amendment, the legislature may terminate a disaster emergency by a majority vote. ACU believes that many of government's reactions to COVID-19 have done more harm than good, supports efforts to combat abuse of power by government officials and supported this amendment. The House failed to adopt the amendment on March 25, 2021 by a vote of 17-21.

 18. **HB 76 (Eastman Amd. 5) Protecting Privacy Rights by Prohibiting the Creation of a COVID-19 Vaccination Database.** The Eastman (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment to the COVID-19 response and recovery bill helps protects privacy rights by prohibiting state or local government employees from inquiring about an individual's COVID-19 vaccination status. Additionally, state and local governments are prohibited from creating a list of individuals who have or have not received the COVID-19 vaccination. ACU opposes further growing the government surveillance state, supports protecting privacy rights and supported this amendment. The House failed to adopt the amendment on March 25, 2021 by a vote of 17-22.

 19. **HB 76 (Eastman Amd. 8) Reopening Alaska by Protecting Individuals from Frivolous COVID-19 Lawsuits.** The Eastman (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment #8 to the COVID-19 response and recovery bill is designed to alleviate the threat of incredibly costly lawsuits related to COVID-19 through liability protections. Under the amendment, individuals, businesses, schools, and state and local governments cannot be held civilly liable damages resulting from an individual's exposure to COVID-19, except in cases of gross negligence, recklessness, or intentional misconduct. ACU supports efforts to reopen the country and allow individuals to reclaim responsibility for their own wellbeing, supports protecting businesses and individuals from frivolous lawsuits related to COVID-19 and supported this amendment. The House failed to adopt the amendment on March 25, 2021 by a vote of 18-21.

 20. **HB 76 (Johnson Amd. 11) Protecting Life by Prohibiting the Use of COVID-19 Relief Funds for Abortion.** The Johnson (ACUF Lifetime 81%) amendment #11 to the COVID-19 response and recovery bill helps protect life by preventing any federal funds received through the Coronavirus Aid, Relief, and Economic Security Act (CARES), Coronavirus Response and Relief Supplemental Appropriations Act (CRSSA), or American Rescue Plan Act (ARP) from being used for abortion. ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions to end the practice and supported this amendment. The House adopted the amendment on March 25, 2021 by a vote of 21-18.

 21. **HB 127 Placing Taxpayer Funds at Risk by Further Expanding the Lending Authority of the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank.** This bill places taxpayer funds at risk by significantly expanding the lending authority of the Alaska Municipal Bond Bank. Under the bill, the authority may now issue up to a billion dollars of loans to the University of Alaska (previously \$87,500,000) and regional health organizations (\$205,000,000). ACU recognizes federal and state taxpayers already provide enormous subsidies to higher education, opposes placing additional taxpayer funds at risk through this enormous expansion of lending and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 5, 2021 by a vote of 31-6.
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22. **HB 132 Expanding Cronyism by Socializing the Cost of Apprenticeships for Select Businesses.** This bill expands cronyism by establishing a new program that doles out \$1,250 tax credits to select companies that hire individuals enrolled in certain apprenticeships (primarily union). ACU supports a tax code that is broadly applied with as low of rates as possible for everyone. ACU opposes this cronyism which enriches select companies while shifting tax burdens to other industries and individuals not favored by government and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 19, 2021 by a vote of 29-11.
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23. **SB 3006 (Kurka Amd. 2) Protecting Life by Limiting the Prescription of Abortion-Inducing Drugs Through Telehealth.** The Kurka (ACUF Lifetime 100%) amendment #2 to the health care bill helps protect life by limiting the ability of physicians to prescribe abortion-inducing drugs through telehealth. The original bill authorized physicians to prescribe medications through telehealth without first conducting an in-person physical examination. This amendment requires an in-person physical examination prior to prescribing abortion-inducing drugs through telehealth. ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions on the practice and supported this amendment. The House failed to adopt the amendment on September 12, 2021 by a vote of 15-21.
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