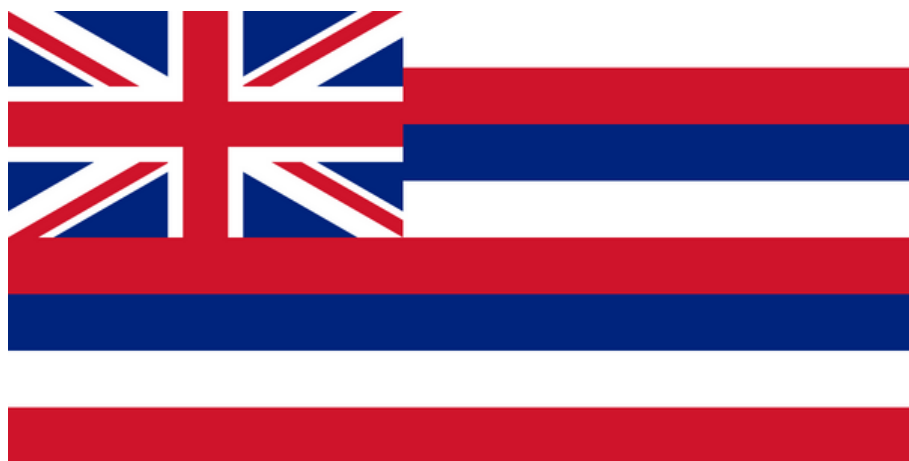




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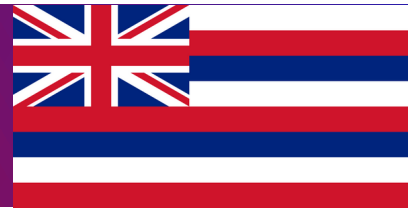
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## LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN



**MATT SCHLAPP**  
CHAIRMAN, CPAC

The CPAC Foundation's Center for Legislative Accountability is proud to present our Ratings of the States. Like our Ratings of Congress, CPAC's 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.

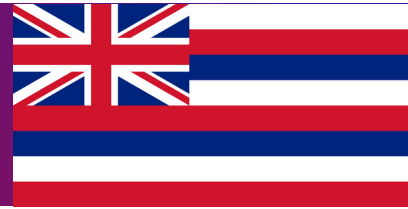
We hope these Ratings will empower each and every American to hold their officials accountable and to rally behind the conservative champions who defend our freedoms in stateHouses around the country.

Sincerely,

Matt Schlapp  
Chairman, CPAC

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The Center for Legislative Accountability (CLA), an initiative of the CPAC Foundation, 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 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.

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.

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.

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**Larry Hart**

*Senior Policy Fellow*

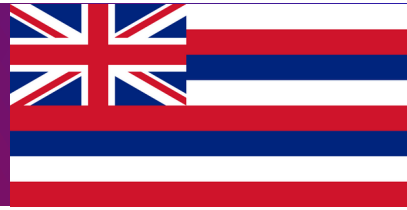
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*Policy Coordinator*

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# HAWAII SENATE STATISTICS

OVERALL AVERAGE  
5%

REPUBLICAN AVERAGE

46%



DEMOCRAT AVERAGE

1%



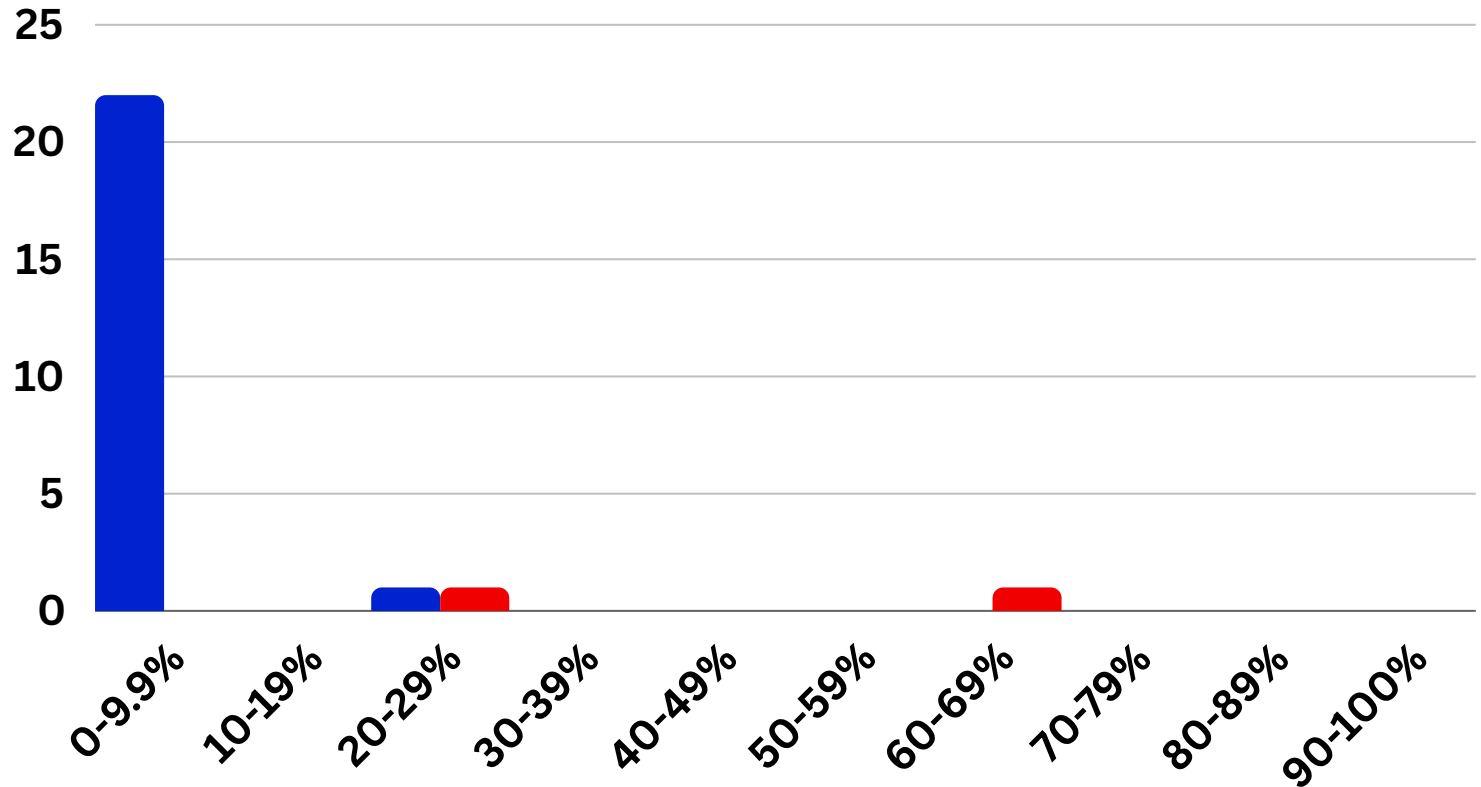
LOWEST REPUBLICAN  
KURT FEVELLA  
29%



HIGHEST DEMOCRAT  
MIKE GABBARD  
26%

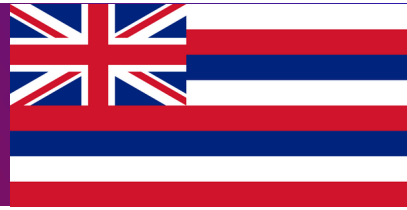


■ Democrat (23 Members) ■ Republican (2 Members)





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# HAWAII HOUSE STATISTICS

**OVERALL AVERAGE**  
**7%**

**REPUBLICAN AVERAGE**

**43%**



**DEMOCRAT AVERAGE**

**2%**



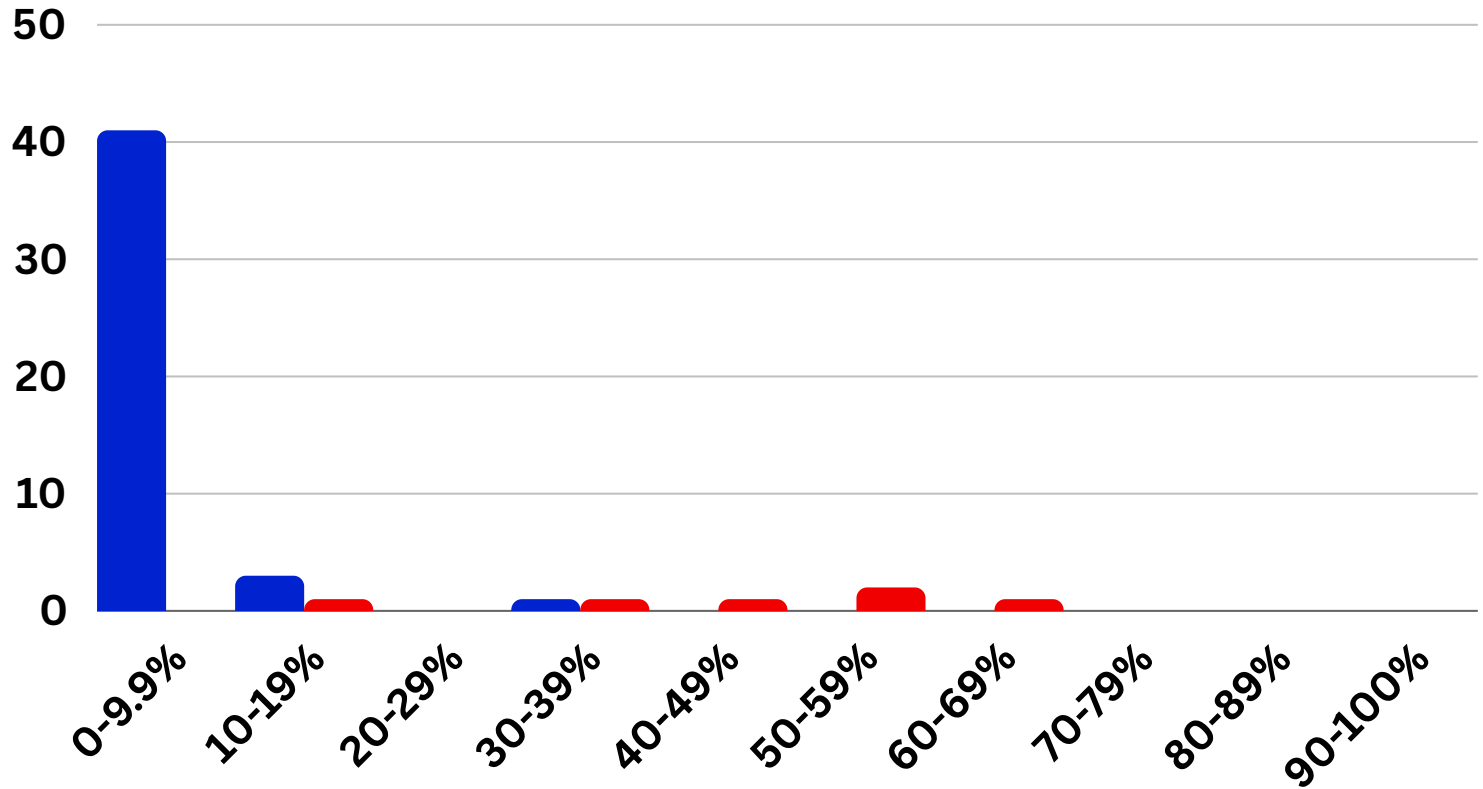
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**KANANI SOUZA**  
**11%**

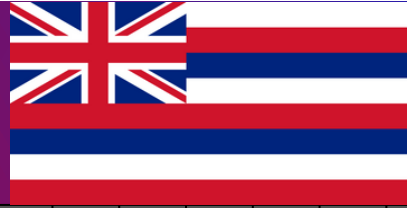


**HIGHEST DEMOCRAT**  
**SAM KONG**  
**37%**



■ Democrat (45 Members) ■ Republican (6 Members)

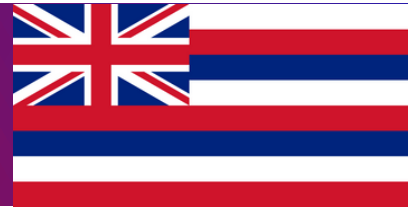




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Henry Aquino	D	0%	N/A	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brenton Awa	R	63%	N/A	63%	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+
Stanley Chang	D	0%	0%	11%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lynn DeCoite	D	0%	6%	19%	-	-	-	-	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Donovan Dela Cruz	D	0%	0%	13%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brandon Elefante	D	0%	N/A	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kurt Fevella	R	29%	14%	27%	-	+	-	x	-	+	-	x	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-
Carol Fukunaga	D	6%	N/A	6%	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	x	-	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	-	-
Mike Gabbard	D	26%	12%	24%	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-
Les Ihara	D	0%	6%	14%	-	-	-	-	x	-	-	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lorraine Inouye	D	0%	0%	13%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dru Kanuha	D	0%	0%	11%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gilbert Keith-Agaran	D	0%	0%	13%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jarrett Keohokalole	D	0%	0%	14%	-	x	x	-	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Michelle Kidani	D	0%	0%	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ronald Kouchi	D	0%	0%	12%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chris Lee	D	0%	0%	13%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Angus McKelvey	D	0%	N/A	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Donna Kim	D	0%	0%	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sharon Moriwaki	D	0%	0%	11%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Karl Rhoads	D	0%	6%	13%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Tim Richards	D	0%	N/A	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joy San Buenaventura	D	0%	0%	13%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maile Shimabukuro	D	0%	6%	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Glenn Wakai	D	0%	0%	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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## **HB 192 More Product Bans on Previously Favored Products.**

This bill bans the sale of fluorescent lamps in Hawaii. CPAC opposes blanket product bans and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 25-0 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii's signature "defective dates."

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## **HB 426 Enabling the Creation of Frivolous Lawsuits Against Firearms Manufacturers in Hawaii.**

This bill allows individuals to bring private suits against firearms manufacturers that do not implement "reasonable controls" designed to prevent certain types of people from getting their hands on firearms. CPAC does not believe that companies should be held liable for the illegal use of their legal product, recognizes that this measure will encourage a torrent of lawsuit abuse against firearms manufacturers, and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on April 11, 2023 by a vote of 21-3 and the bill later became law.

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## **HB 473 Government Subsidization of Arts and Crafts.**

This bill appropriates funds to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Creative Workforce Grant Program such that the government may award \$25,000 grants to certain art-related nonprofits. CPAC believes that taxpayers should not be forced to pay for arts and crafts and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on April 11, 2023 by a vote of 24-0 but the bill never received final approval.

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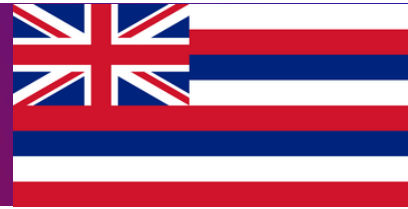
## **HB 485 Gratifying Gender Delusions in Government Marriage Records.**

This bill allows individuals to, upon identifying as transgender, change gender-specific words on their marriage records such that they reflect the gender they perceive themselves to be. CPAC opposes measures that affirm transgender ideology and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on April 6, 2023 by a vote of 23-1 and the bill later became law.

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## **HB 1373 New Entertainment and Film Studio Tax Credits.**

This bill establishes a new Film Studio tax credit and increases the cap on the film production tax credit from \$50,000,000 to \$75,000,000. CPAC believes that the government should not subsidize the entertainment industry and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on April 13, 2023 by a vote of 21-1 but the bill never received final approval.



## **SB 1 Transforming Hawaii into a Sanctuary State for Abortionists.**

This bill prohibits judges from issuing subpoenas that require people to testify concerning the abortions that someone has received. The bill also removes the term “female” from laws governing abortion and replaces the term with “pregnant people.” CPAC believes abortion is always a human tragedy, opposes its expansion, opposes the erasure of women, and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on March 7, 2023 by a vote of 22-3 and the bill later became law.

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## **SB 19 Literally Allowing Dead People to Vote.**

This bill allows ballots that have been cast by people who died between the time of casting their ballot and the period in which ballots are tabulated to still be counted. CPAC believes that the votes of dead people should not be tabulated and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 24-1 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii’s signature “defective dates.”

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## **SB 54 Perpetuating the Left’s War on Leafblowers.**

This bill bans the use of gas-powered leaf blowers throughout the state of Hawaii. CPAC opposes blanket gas-powered leaf blower bans, does not believe that the government should regulate leaf blowers in this way, and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on March 3, 2023 by a vote of 21-1 but the bill did not pass through the House.

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## **SB 109 Erasing Mothers and Fathers from Law.**

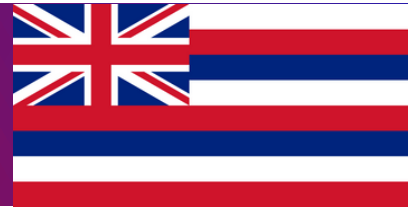
This bill replaces the term “father” with “non-birthing parent” and the term “mother” with “birthing parent” in some public laws. CPAC opposes the erasure of women in public law, further opposes the erasure of men in public law, and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 22-3 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii’s signature “defective dates.”

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## **SB 327 Forcing Property Owners to Make Poor Decisions with their Property.**

This bill allows counties to prohibit landlords from discriminating against potential tenants based on their source of income. CPAC opposes infringements on property rights and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on March 7, 2023 by a vote of 24-0 but the bill did not progress through the House.





## **SB 449 More Funds for Bread and Circuses.**

This bill apportions state funds to the Festival of Pacific Arts and Culture. CPAC does not believe that taxpayers should be forced to help pay for festivals and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on March 7, 2023 by a vote of 24-1 but the bill did not receive final approval.

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## **SB 691 Large Increase in the Discretionary Power of the Chief Energy Officer.**

This bill allows the Chief Energy Officer to set minimum efficiency standards for particular products. The bill also sets standards for air purifiers, ventilating fans, and other select goods. CPAC opposes providing even more discretion in this matter to Leftist bureaucrats and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 24-1 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii's signature "defective dates."

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## **SB 898 Expanding the Welfare State with Rent Supplements.**

This bill expands the rent supplement assistance program such that it now applies to individuals aged 62 years or older. CPAC opposes the expansion of the welfare state and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on May 4, 2023 by a vote of 25-0 and the bill later became law.

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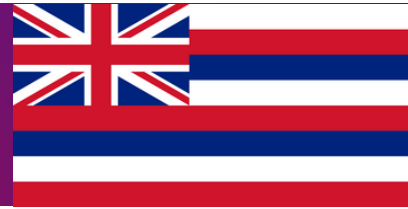
## **SB 944 Dismantling Legal Acknowledgments of the Nuclear Family.**

This bill directs the Department of Health and the Department of the Attorney General to convene a task force to recommend amendments to update existing parentage laws that reflect "outdated, cisheteronormative concepts of families, parenthood, and parental rights." CPAC recognizes that this measure paves the way for the further destruction of the family and parental rights and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 25-0 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii's signature "defective dates."

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## **SB 1024 Establishing Costly and Unrealistic Emissions Goals.**

This bill makes achieving a zero-emissions ground transportation system a goal of the state. CPAC supports all forms of energy, believes that the government should not support one form of energy over another, and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 24-1 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii's signature "defective dates."



**SB 1057 Interfering in the Private Contract Negotiations Between Hawaiian Employers and Prospective Employees.**

This bill requires employers to post the expected salary range that employees will receive upon being hired for a particular position in their job postings. CPAC opposes government micromanagement of hiring practices and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 25-0 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii's signature "defective dates."

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**SB 1167 Codifying the Fictitious Right to Have an Abortion into Hawaii's Constitution.**

This bill proposes a constitutional amendment that would give people the right to have an abortion. CPAC believes abortion is always a human tragedy, denies the existence of a right to abortion, and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on March 7, 2023 by a vote of 21-3 but the bill never received final approval.

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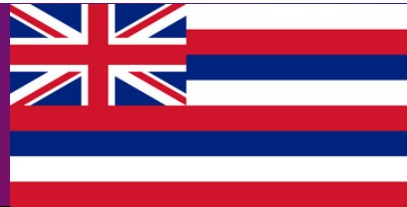
**SB 1230 Expanding Hawaii's Gun-Free Zones.**

This bill prohibits people from carrying concealed firearms in universities, public parks, courthouses, certain public gatherings, and other places designated as "sensitive areas." CPAC supports the founders' belief in the Second Amendment and opposed this bill. The Senate passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 22-3 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii's signature "defective dates."

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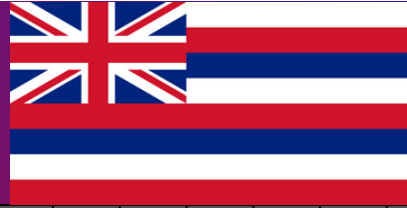
**SCR 183 Planning to Provide Medicaid to Illegal Immigrants.**

This resolution insists that the Department of Human Services study the feasibility of providing health insurance coverage to illegal immigrants. CPAC does not believe that the government should work toward this end and opposed this resolution. The Senate passed this resolution on April 5, 2023 by a vote of 24-1.



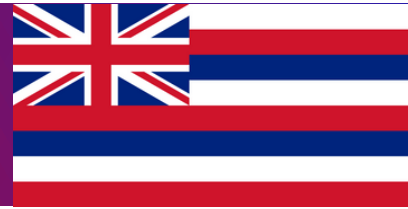
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Micah Pookela Kim Aiu	D	0%	N/A	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
David Alcos	R	50%	N/A	50%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	x	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	+
Terez Amato	D	0%	N/A	11%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Jeanne Kapela	D	0%	13%	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Darius Kila	D	16%	N/A	11%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
Lisa Kitagawa	D	0%	6%	13%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bertrand Kobayashi	D	0%	6%	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sam Kong	D	37%	41%	13%	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	-
Trish La Chica	D	0%	N/A	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rachele Fernandez Lamosao	D	5%	N/A	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Lisa Marten	D	0%	6%	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rose Martinez	D	0%	N/A	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	-	-	-	-	-
Scot Matayoshi	D	0%	0%	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lauren Matsumoto	R	32%	24%	0%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-
John Mizuno	D	0%	6%	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dee Morikawa	D	0%	6%	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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Justin Woodson	D	0%	6%	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kyle Yamashita	D	0%	6%	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

(+) : Member voted with the conservative position (-) : Member voted liberal (x) : Member was absent for the vote (N/a) : Member did not vote on 2/3 of the scored votes and did not receive a score for the 2023 ratings.



## **HB 192 More Product Bans on Previously Favored Products.**

This bill bans the sale of fluorescent lamps in Hawaii. CPAC opposes blanket product bans like this and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 48-3 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii's signature "defective dates."

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## **HB 426 Enabling the Creation of Frivolous Lawsuits Against Firearms Manufacturers in Hawaii.**

This bill allows individuals to bring private suits against firearms manufacturers that do not implement "reasonable controls" designed to prevent certain types of people from getting their hands on firearms. CPAC does not believe that companies should be held liable for the illegal use of their legal product, recognizes that this measure will encourage a torrent of lawsuit abuse against firearms manufacturers, and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on March 2, 2023 by a vote of 42-9 and the bill later became law.

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## **HB 473 Government Subsidization of Arts and Crafts.**

This bill appropriates funds to the State Foundation on Culture and the Arts Creative Workforce Grant Program such that the government may award \$25,000 grants to certain art-related nonprofits. CPAC believes that taxpayers should not be forced to pay for arts and crafts and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on March 2, 2023 by a vote of 50-1 but the bill never received final approval.

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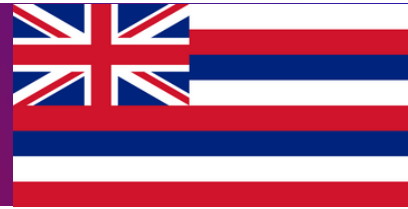
## **HB 485 Gratifying Gender Delusions in Government Marriage Records.**

This bill allows individuals to, upon identifying as transgender, change gender-specific words on their marriage records such that they reflect the gender they perceive themselves to be. CPAC opposes measures that affirm transgender ideology and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on April 27, 2023 by a vote of 45-5 and the bill later became law.

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## **HB 608 Subsidizing Hawaii's Organic Foods.**

This bill establishes a tax credit for "organically produced agricultural products." CPAC opposes government favoritism toward particular industries and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on March 7, 2023 by a vote of 51-0 but the bill did not progress in the Senate.



## **HB 1223 Government Largesse for Hawaii's Teachers.**

This bill establishes a forgivable loan program for teachers in the state of Hawaii. This means that teachers may receive loans from the state that can be forgiven after they have served as a teacher for the state's public education system for five years. CPAC does not believe that taxpayers should be forced to fund other people's higher education expenses and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on March 2, 2023 by a vote of 51-0 but the bill did not pass through the Senate.

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## **HB 1373 New Rebate Program for Film Producers.**

This bill establishes a new rebate program for film producers that employ people in Hawaii. CPAC believes that the government should not subsidize the entertainment industry and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on March 7, 2023 by a vote of 51-0 but the bill never received final approval.

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## **HB 1415 Forcing Taxpayers to Help Fund EV Charging Stations.**

This bill directs the public utilities commission to establish a loan program to help facilitate the installation of EV charging stations. CPAC supports all forms of energy, does not believe that the government should support one form of energy over another, and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on March 3, 2023 by a vote of 49-0 but the bill did not pass through the Senate.

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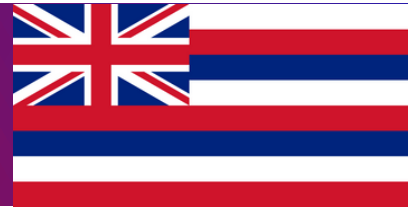
## **SB 1 Transforming Hawaii into a Sanctuary State for Abortionists.**

This bill prohibits judges from issuing subpoenas that require people to testify concerning the abortions that someone has received. The bill also removes the term "female" from laws governing abortion and replaces the term with "pregnant people." CPAC believes abortion is always a human tragedy, opposes its expansion, opposes the erasure of women, and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on March 17, 2023 by a vote of 43-7 and the bill later became law.

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## **SB 19 Literally Allowing Dead People to Vote.**

This bill allows ballots that have been cast by people who died between the time of casting their ballot and the period in which ballots are tabulated to still be counted. CPAC believes that the votes of dead people should not be tabulated and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 44-7 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii's signature "defective dates."



## **SB 109 Erasing Mothers and Fathers from Law.**

This bill replaces the term “father” with “non-birthing parent” and the term “mother” with “birthing parent” in some public laws. CPAC opposes the erasure of women in public law, further opposes the erasure of men in public law, and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 45-6 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii’s signature “defective dates.”

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## **SB 449 More Funds for Bread and Circuses.**

This bill apportions state funds to the Festival of Pacific Arts and Culture. CPAC does not believe that taxpayers should be forced to help pay for festivals and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on April 11, 2023 by a vote of 49-1 but the bill did not receive final approval.

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## **SB 691 Large Increase in the Discretionary Power of the Chief Energy Officer.**

This bill allows the Chief Energy Officer to set minimum efficiency standards for particular products. The bill also sets standards for air purifiers, ventilating fans, and other select goods. CPAC opposes providing even more discretion in this matter to Leftist bureaucrats and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 50-1 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii’s signature “defective dates.”

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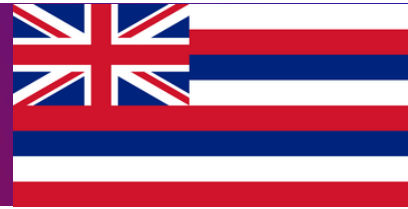
## **SB 898 Expanding the Welfare State with Rent Supplements.**

This bill expands the rent supplement assistance program such that it now applies to individuals aged 62 years or older. CPAC opposes the expansion of the welfare state and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on May 4, 2023 by a vote of 48-1 and the bill later became law.

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## **SB 944 Dismantling Legal Acknowledgments of the Nuclear Family.**

This bill directs the Department of Health and the Department of the Attorney General to convene a task force to recommend amendments to update existing parentage laws that reflect “outdated, cisheteronormative concepts of families, parenthood, and parental rights.” CPAC recognizes that this measure paves the way for the further destruction of the family and parental rights and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 46-5 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii’s signature “defective dates.”



### **SB 1024 Establishing Costly and Unrealistic Emissions Goals.**

This bill makes achieving a zero-emissions ground transportation system a goal of the state. CPAC supports all forms of energy, believes that the government should not support one form of energy over another, and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 50-0 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii's signature "defective dates."

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### **SB 1057 Interfering in the Private Contract Negotiations Between Hawaiian Employers and Prospective Employees.**

This bill requires employers to post the expected salary range that employees will receive upon being hired for a particular position in their job postings. CPAC opposes government micromanagement of hiring practices and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 46-5 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii's signature "defective dates."

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### **SB 1230 Expanding Hawaii's Gun-Free Zones.**

This bill prohibits people from carrying concealed firearms in universities, public parks, courthouses, certain public gatherings, and other places designated as "sensitive areas." CPAC supports the founders' belief in the Second Amendment and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on May 2, 2023 by a vote of 41-9 and the bill later became law. Note: This bill was given one of Hawaii's signature "defective dates."

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### **SCR 183 Planning to Provide Medicaid to Illegal Immigrants.**

This resolution insists that the Department of Human Services study the feasibility of providing health insurance coverage to illegal immigrants. CPAC does not believe that the government should work toward this end and opposed this resolution. The House passed this resolution on April 24, 2023 by a vote of 47-4.