

# RATINGS of ILLINOIS 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 Illinois* 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.



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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 fivestate pilot program. By 2015, Ratings of the States grew to include all 50 states and all 99 legislative chambers.

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

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### **METHODOLOGY**

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

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

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

### **ANNUAL METRICS**







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



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# **2020 WINNERS & LOSERS**





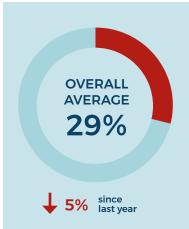
\*Compared to number of qualifying lawmakers in the previous session Republicans in ALL CAPS, Democrats in initial caps, asterisk indicates Independents/ Libertarians/other

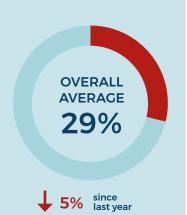
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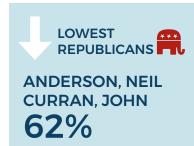
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Bush, Melinda	Harmon, Don	Landek, Steven	Steans, Heather
Castro, Cristina	Harris, Napoleon	Lightford, Kimberly	Van Pelt, Patricia
Cullerton, Thomas	Hastings, Michael	Manar, Andy	Villanueva, Celina
Cunningham, William	Hilton, Suzy	Morrison, Julie	Villivalam, Ram
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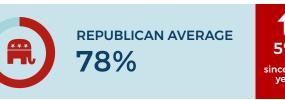
# **ILLINOIS SENATE STATISTICS**













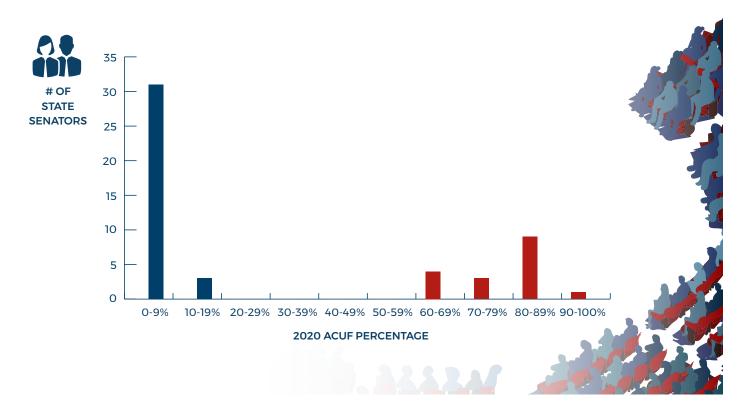




### **ILLINOIS SENATE CONSERVATIVE RATINGS**









# **ILLINOIS SENATE SCORES**

### ILLINOIS SENATE VOTE DETAIL

	Party	Dist.	2020 %	2019 %	LIFETIME AVG	SJR 1	SB 54	SB 264	HB 357	SB 471	SB 1480	НВ 1559	SB 1608	SB 1863	SB 1864	SB 2052	SB 2099	HB 2170	HB 2238	НВ 2275	HB 2455	HB 2451	HB 3360	HB 3653	HB 3902	HB 3994
ANDERSON, NEIL	R	36	62%	58%	60%	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+
Aquino, Omar	D	2	5%	13%	9%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
BARICKMAN, JASON	R	53	81%	73%	78%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+
Belt, Christopher	D	57	0%	12%	6%	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bennett, Scott	D	52	6%	15%	14%	-	+	-	Х	-	Х	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-
Bertino-Tarrant, Jennifer	D	49	n/a†	13%	13%	-	Х	-	1	1	Х	Х	х	-	-	-	-	Х	1	Х	-	Х	Х	Х	-	х
BRADY, WILLIAM	R	44	n/a†	68%	83%	+	Х	+	+	Х	Х	Х	х	+	-	-	+	Х	+	Х	-	Х	Х	Х	-	х
Bush, Melinda	D	31	5%	13%	11%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	Х	-	-	-	-
Castro, Cristina	D	22	5%	11%	10%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Collins, Jacqueline	D	16	n/a†	11%	<b>7</b> %	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	-	-	-	Х	Х	Х	Х	-	Х	-	Х	Х	-	-	х	-
Crowe, Rachelle	D	56	11%	23%	17%	-	+	-	Х	-	Х	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Cullerton, Thomas	D	23	0%	18%	13%	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cunningham, William	D	18	10%	15%	13%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
CURRAN, JOHN	R	41	62%	48%	47%	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+
DEWITTE, DONALD	R	33	76%	73%	74%	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+
Ellman, Laura	D	21	5%	10%	8%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	х	-	-	-	-	-
Feigenholtz, Sara	D	6	5%	15%	12%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Fine, Laura	D	9	5%	15%	<b>7</b> %	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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- SJR 1 Imposing a \$3.7 Billion Income Tax Hike by Abolishing the Flat Tax.
- SB 54 Deregulating the Alcoholic Beverage Industry by Permitting the Delivery of Alcoholic Drinks.
- SB 264 Advancing an Unbalanced Budget that Hikes Spending by Over \$2 Billion.
- HB 357 Increasing Government Dependency and Making Illegal Immigrants Eligible for Medicaid.
- SB 471 Mandating Unionization of Horse Racetrack Casinos
- SB 1480 Subjecting Businesses to Lawsuit Abuse by Further Expanding "Equal Pay" Mandates.

- HB 1559 Empowering the Chicago Teachers Union to Dictate the Length of the School Day and Year.
- SB 1608 Imposing New Mandates that Discriminate on the Basis of Race and Sex in the Awarding of Taxpayer Funds.
- SB 1863 Threatening Election Integrity by Weakening Ballot Security.
- SB 1864 Proliferating Government Dependency by Weakening Medicaid Integrity Provisions.
- SB 2052 Expanding Cronyism within "Special Taxing Districts."
- SB 2099 Worsening the State's Fiscal Crisis by Growing the State Debt by an Additional \$5 Billion.
- HB 2170 Advancing Critical Race Theory and Racial Discrimination in the Awarding of Scholarships and Grants.
- HB 2238 Weakening Election Safeguards Against Fraudulent Ballots.
- HB 2275 Further Empowering the Bosses of the Chicago Teacher's Union.
- HB 2455 Raising Employer Costs by Abusing Worker's Compensation.
- HB 2451 Increasing Unfunded Liabilities by Further Hiking Chicago Pension Payouts.
- HB 3360 Enriching Plaintiff Attorneys Through "Prejudgment" Interest.
- HB 3653 Advancing the Left's All-Out Attack on the Police.
- HB 3902 Expanding Cronyism through a Sales Tax Exemption for Aircraft Equipment.
- HB 3994 Undermining Election Integrity by Making it Easier to Engage in Ballot Harvesting.



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FOWLER, DALE	R	59	80%	69%	68%	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	х	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+
Gillespie, Ann	D	27	5%	12%	9%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Harmon, Don	D	39	5%	12%	12%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Harris, Napoleon	D	15	5%	14%	12%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hastings, Michael	D	19	5%	16%	10%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hilton, Suzy	D	24	<b>7</b> %	n/a	7%	Х	+	-	Х	-	Х	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	х	-	-
Holmes, Linda	D	42	10%	19%	14%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Hunter, Mattie	D	3	5%	13%	8%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Johnson, Adriane	D	30	n/a†	n/a	n/a	Х	+	Х	Х	Х	-	-	-	Х	Х	Х	Х	-	Х	-	Х	-	-	-	Х	-
Jones, Emil	D	14	0%	15%	8%	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Joyce, Patrick	D	40	12%	n/a	12%	-	+	-	Х	-	Х	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	х	+	-
Koehler, David	D	46	5%	13%	12%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Landek, Steven	D	12	0%	15%	25%	-	Х	-	-	-	Х	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lightford, Kimberly	D	4	0%	10%	7%	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	Х	-	-	-	-
Link, Terry	D	30	n/a†	14%	11%	-	Х	-	-	-	Х	Х	х	-	-	-	-	Х	-	Х	-	Х	Х	х	Х	Х
Loughran Cappel, Meg	D	47	n/a†	n/a	n/a	Х	+	х	Х	Х	Х	-	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	-	Х	-	Х	-	-	+	Х	-
Manar, Andy	D	48	0%	18%	12%	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Martinez, Iris	D	20	n/a†	13%	9%	-	Х	-	-	-	Х	Х	х	-	-	-	-	Х	-	Х	-	Х	Х	Х	-	Х
Martwick, Robert	D	10	n/a†	n/a	9%	Х	+	Х	-	Х	-	-	-	Х	-	Х	Х	-	Х	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-
MCCLURE, STEVE	R	50	83%	73%	78%	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	Х	-	+	+	+	+	Х	+	Х	+	-	+
MCCONCHIE, DAN	R	26	81%	79%	84%	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+
McGuire, Pat	D	43	n/a†	12%	14%	Х	+	х	Х	Х	-	-	-	Х	Х	Х	Х	-	Х	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-
Morrison, Julie	D	29	5%	11%	9%	-	+	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Muñoz, Antonio	D	1	11%	16%	11%	-	+	-	-	-	Х	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
Murphy, Laura	D	28	5%	13%	9%	-	+	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
OBERWEIS, JIM	R	25	85%	76%	87%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	Х	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+

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Pacione-Zayas, Cristina	D	20	n/a†	n/a	n/a	х	+	х	х	х	-	-	-	х	х	х	х	-	х	-	х	-	-	-	х	-
Peters, Robert	D	13	5%	14%	10%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
PLUMMER, JASON	R	54	83%	85%	84%	+	+	+	+	Х	Х	+	х	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
REZIN, SUE	R	38	85%	53%	80%	+	+	+	+	1	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	х	+
RIGHTER, DALE	R	55	84%	80%	87%	+	+	+	+	Х	+	+	+	+	х	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+
ROSE, CHAPIN	R	51	68%	73%	77%	+	+	+	+	-	Х	-	х	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+
SCHIMPF, PAUL	R	58	67%	76%	70%	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	+
Sims, Elgie	D	17	5%	15%	10%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-
Stadelman, Steve	D	34	0%	15%	11%	-	Х	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-
Steans, Heather	D	7	5%	15%	12%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	Х	-	-	-	-
STEWART, BRIAN	R	45	79%	81%	82%	+	+	+	+	-	Х	+	х	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
STOLLER, WIN	R	37	n/a†	n/a	n/a	Х	+	Х	Х	Х	+	+	+	х	Х	Х	Х	+	Х	+	Х	+	+	+	х	+
SYVERSON, DAVE	R	35	79%	78%	86%	+	+	+	+	Х	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	Х	+	+	-	+
TRACY, JIL	R	47	80%	82%	82%	+	+	+	+	Х	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+
Van Pelt, Patricia	D	5	6%	16%	7%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	Х	-	-	х	-
Villanueva, Celina	D	11	5%	17%	11%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Villivalam, Ram	D	8	5%	12%	8%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WEAVER, CHUCK	R	37	n/a†	81%	84%	+	х	+	+	+	Х	х	х	+	+	-	+	х	+	х	+	х	х	Х	-	Х
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- 2. SB 54 Deregulating the Alcoholic Beverage Industry by Permitting the Delivery of Alcoholic Drinks. This bill helps expand consumer choice by permitting the delivery of alcoholic liquor. Under the bill, retailers may now deliver alcoholic beverages through their employees or by a third-party contractor (like Gopuff). ACU supports a freer market in the alcoholic beverage industry, supports expanding consumer choice and eliminating unnecessary and anti-competitive regulations and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on January 13, 2021\* by a vote of 50-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 3. SB 264 Advancing an Unbalanced Budget that Hikes Spending by Over \$2 Billion. This operating budget bill increases spending to \$42.8 billion in FY 2021, a nearly \$2.6 billion increase in spending compared to FY 2020 and at a level that is substantially more than the state is expected to raise in revenue (i.e., a budget shortfall), even before factoring in the effects of Gov. Pritzker's disastrous government shutdowns due to the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. Making matters worse for taxpayers, this bill recklessly borrows \$5 billion from the Federal Reserve's Municipal Liquidity Facility to cover their shortfalls. ACU opposes reckless spending increases which harm the ability of the state to borrow and impose immense pressure to raise taxes and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 23, 2020 by a vote of 37-19 and the bill was signed into law.
- 4. HB 357 Increasing Government Dependency and Making Illegal Immigrants Eligible for Medicaid. This bill, the 2021 Budget Implementation Act, is 465 pages long and advances numerous Leftist priories designed to increase government dependency during the COVID-19 pandemic. Most notably though, the bill contains a hidden provision which makes Illinois the first State to provide Medicaid to illegal immigrants. ACU opposes increasing government dependency, and especially opposes expanding welfare programs to those residing in the country unlawfully and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 23, 2020 by a vote of 33-19 and the bill was signed into law.
- 5. SB 471 Mandating Unionization of Horse Racetrack Casinos. This bill, largely pertaining to COVID-19, contains a number of provisions that expand government interference in the private sector. Most notably, the bill contains a key provision that forces horse racetrack casino, or "racinos" to collectively bargain. Additionally, racinos must turn over the home contact information of their employees to unions and provide union bosses with meeting locations to recruit and organize employees. ACU supports the "right to work" without joining a union or paying union dues and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 23, 2020 by a vote of 47-3 and the bill was signed into law.
- 6. SB 1480 Subjecting Businesses to Lawsuit Abuse by Further Expanding "Equal Pay" Mandates. This bill would subject small business owners and large businesses alike to lawsuit abuse and costly penalties by further increasing employer mandates. Specifically, the bill forces private-sector employers with over 100 employees to obtain an "equal pay registration certificate" from the Illinois Department of Labor (IDOL) and disclose all employee demographics and compensation. The bill then subjects employers to civil penalties in an amount equal to 1% of their gross profits for any found violations of the state's Equal Pay Act. Additionally, the bill makes it a civil rights violation to take into consideration an employees' criminal conviction record regarding employee recruitment, hiring, promotion, or training. ACU believes employment discrimination is wrong and business that discriminate will face repercussions in the marketplace. However, ACU opposes this measure which has the potential to devastate small businesses by exposing them to lawsuit abuse and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on January 13, 2021\* by a vote of 31-15 and the bill was signed into law.



- 7. HB 1559 Empowering the Chicago Teachers Union to Dictate the Length of the School Day and Year. This bill represents an outrageous cave-in to the Chicago Teacher's Union (CTU), leaving the education of students susceptible to the whims of greedy union bosses. Under the bill, the length of the school day and the length of the school year will now be subject to collective bargaining if companion legislation is passed. ACU recognizes the CTU (and countless other unions) have exploited the COVID-19 pandemic to reduce their workloads at the expense of children and taxpayers. ACU opposes further empowering the greedy bosses of the CTU to deprive children of the education they need and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on January 11, 2021\* by a vote of 44-14 and the bill was signed into law.
- 8. SB 1608 Imposing New Mandates that Discriminate on the Basis of Race and Sex in the Awarding of Taxpayer Funds. This bill, which is over 150 pages in length, contains countless provisions which advance racial and sexual discrimination in the awarding of taxpayer funds. For example, the bill worsens a mandate that forces the state to contract with businesses based on their owner's race or sex rather than the cost and value they provide to taxpayers. The bill also creates new commissions on "Equity and Inclusion" and "African Descent-Citizens Reparations" and also creates a state version of the federal Community Reinvestment Act. ACU recognizes that this bill will drive up taxpayer procurement costs as the pool of applicants eligible to bid on projects is reduced. ACU believes in equal rights under the law for all, believes it is the duty of government to ensure all law are applied equally, opposes driving up taxpayer costs by awarding projects based on sexual or racial discrimination and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on January 12, 2021\* by a vote of 32-15 and the bill was signed into law.
- 9. SB 1863 Threatening Election Integrity by Weakening Ballot Security. This bill threatens the integrity of elections by implementing provisions that weaken ballot security. Under the bill, mail-in ballot applications are provided to anyone who has voted since 2018, regardless of if they have since moved or died. Additionally, the bill allows an unlimited number of mail-in ballot collection sites to be set up at the discretion of election officials and implements curbside voting. Furthermore, November 3, 2020 is designated as a state holiday, known as 2020 General Election Day, closing all government offices (apart from election authorities.) Lastly, the bill allows 16-year-olds to serve as election judges, despite being ineligible to vote. ACUF's Center to Protect Voters and their Voices is a leader in rebuilding the safeguards of our election systems and ensuring that every legal vote count once and only once. ACU opposes weakening the integrity of elections by introducing new opportunities for voter fraud which disenfranchise legal voters and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 22, 2020 by a vote of 37-19 and the bill was signed into law.
- 10. SB 1864 Proliferating Government Dependency by Weakening Medicaid Integrity Provisions. This bill raises taxpayer costs and increases government dependency by eliminating several Medicaid means-test requirements that help ensure benefits are directed to those who are truly needy and eligible for assistance. The bill creates a new avenue for fraud and abuse by now granting the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) the authority to accept an applicant's attestation of income, incurred medical expenses, residency, and insured status when considering requirements for Medicaid. Additionally, resource tests are eliminated, and the bill will suspend redeterminations, premium and co-payment requirements. The bill also forces Medicaid to cover routine costs for members who participate in medical trials and in-vitro fertilization services. ACU believes taxpayer-provided welfare should be reserved for those who are truly needy by ensuring the requirements are in place to determine eligibility, opposes weakening safeguards that combat fraud and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 23, 2020 by a vote of 50-3 and the bill was signed into law.
- 11. SB 2052 Expanding Cronyism within "Special Taxing Districts." This bill further expands the cronyism that takes place within "special taxing districts," which exempt select developers and their properties from property taxation. Under the bill, developers of 11 projects are provided extensions of the special property tax exemption they receive and are now exempt from certain completion requirements. ACU supports a broadly applied tax code with as low of rates possible for everyone. ACU opposes this cronyism (heavily lobbied for by radical Leftist Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot) which enriches select developers while shifting tax burdens to other property owners not favored by government and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 23, 2020 by a vote of 52-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 12. SB 2099 Worsening the State's Fiscal Crisis by Growing the State Debt by an Additional \$5 Billion. This bill further indebts Illinois taxpayers by authorizing the state to borrow \$5 billion from the Federal Reserve and other agencies to cover the state's out-of-control spending. ACU opposes this fiscally irresponsible method of financing a state that is virtually bankrupt rather than reducing expenditures, believes it is absurd to further indebt Illinoisans at a time of a debt crisis and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 22, 2020 by a vote of 37-19 and the bill was signed into law.



- 13. HB 2170 Advancing Critical Race Theory and Racial Discrimination in the Awarding of Scholarships and Grants. This bill imposes new Leftists mandates on local school districts that advance critical race theory and "racial justice". Additionally, the bill directs taxpayer-funded education scholarships, grants, and incentives to be awarded on characteristics such as race and ethnicity as opposed to merit. ACU believes in equal rights under the law for all, that it is the duty of government to ensure all law are applied equally, opposes awarding taxpayer funds based on racial discrimination and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on January 11, 2021\* by a vote of 40-18 and the bill was signed into law.
- 14. HB 2238 Weakening Election Safeguards Against Fraudulent Ballots. This bill weakens election integrity by imposing onerous requirements to disqualify mailin ballots that are invalid. This bill (which went into effect with the passage of companion legislation) requires a majority decision by election judges in order to disqualify a mail ballot in which the signature does not match the signature on file. ACU recognizes that election integrity safeguards are designed to help ensure that one person cannot cast the ballot of another (or one person on behalf of many others). ACU finds this an absurd requirement which makes it likely that fraudulent ballots will be counted and disenfranchise legal voters and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 22, 2020 by a vote of 37-19 and the bill was signed into law.
- 15. HB 2275 Further Empowering the Bosses of the Chicago Teacher's Union. This bill would grant the Chicago Teacher's Union (CTU) even greater power over public schools by lifting the restrictions placed on the teacher's union in Cook County to give them more negotiating leverage with bargaining rights. ACU opposes further empowering the greedy union bosses of the CTU to reduce educational quality and substantially raise taxpayer costs and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on January 11, 2021\* by a vote of 38-16 and the bill was signed into law. (The House had passed the bill in 2019.)
- 16. HB 2455 Raising Employer Costs by Abusing Worker's Compensation. This bill drives up employment costs by creating a "rebuttable presumption" that an employee contracted Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) during the course of their employment. As a result, employers would be required to compensate such employees through workers compensation benefits. ACU opposes driving up employment costs by holding employers liable for the unintentional COVID-19, especially if the contraction did not occur during work time and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 21, 2020 by a vote of 50-4 and the bill was signed into law.
- 17. HB 2451 Increasing Unfunded Liabilities by Further Hiking Chicago Pension Payouts. This union-backed bill places taxpayers in the City of Chicago on the hook for an additional \$857 million in unfunded liabilities through 2055. Under the bill, most firefighters are now eligible for a 3% annual increase in pension payouts, a benefit that they did not contract for and was previously only provided to firefighters born before 1966. ACU opposes forcing taxpayers to foot the bill for ever increasing pension benefits, especially when Chicago is already facing a massive debt crisis and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on January 11, 2021\* by a vote of 37-14 and the bill was signed into law. (The bill passed the House in 2019.)
- 18. HB 3360 Enriching Plaintiff Attorneys Through "Prejudgment" Interest. This bill enriches plaintiff attorneys and leads to lawsuit abuse through a 9% prejudgment interest rate. The bill applies to personal injury cases and permits the recovery of interest from the date of the injury to the time of judgement. The bill even applies the interest to non-economic damages. While ACU supports the right of an individual to receive just compensation for an injury, we oppose this measure which is not tied to market conditions and is largely designed to enrich plaintiff attorneys at the expense of businesses and consumers and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on January 11, 2021\* by a vote of 38-17 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
- 19. HB 3653 Advancing the Left's All-Out Attack on the Police. This 764-page omnibus serves as an all-out attack on law enforcement and would have tremendous negative consequences on local communities and public safety. One of the bill's most egregious provisions prevents police from arresting or removing a trespasser who is causing a disturbance at a business. Additionally, the bill exposes law enforcement officers to unreasonable new criminal and legal liabilities, which will prevent them from adequately protecting communities and carrying out their duties as public servants. ACU opposes the promotion of lawlessness through the leftist notion of "defunding the police," opposes this measure which significantly threatens public safety and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on January 12, 2021\* by a vote of 32-23 and the bill was signed into law.



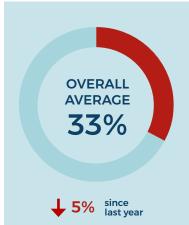
- 20. HB 3902 Expanding Cronyism through a Sales Tax Exemption for Aircraft Equipment. This bill shifts tax burdens to other individuals by extending a crony tax carve out provided to aircraft manufacturers. Specifically, the bill extends through 2024 a sales tax exemption covering all equipment that is used to manufacture aircraft. This includes the parts, materials, equipment, and furnishings, incorporated into or upon the aircraft. ACU supports a broadly applied tax code with as low of rates as possible for everyone. ACU opposes this carve out to a select industry which shifts tax burdens to other industries and individuals not favored by government and opposed this bill. The Senate voted to override the governor's veto of the bill on February 5, 2020 by a vote of 54-1 and the bill became law
- 21. HB 3994 Undermining Election Integrity by Making it Easier to Engage in Ballot Harvesting. The Senate version of this bill makes permanent several "temporary" measures used to undermine the 2020 election. Specifically, this bill provides funding for ballot drop boxes, thus incentivizing ballot harvesting, or the practice of allowing political operatives to coerce other individuals to vote for their favored candidate. Additionally, the bill allows for curbside voting in any election, and requires election authorities to accept vote-by-mail ballots returned with insufficient or no postage. ACUF's Center to Protect Voters and their Voices is a leader in rebuilding the safeguards of our election systems and ensuring that every legal vote counts once and only once. ACU opposes weakening the integrity of elections and paving the way for ballot harvesting and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on January 12, 2021\* by a vote of 40-18. (The amended bill failed to advance in the Senate.)

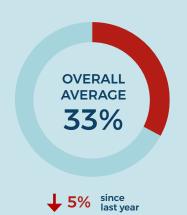
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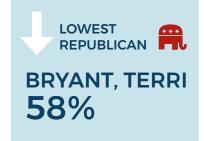
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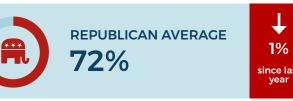
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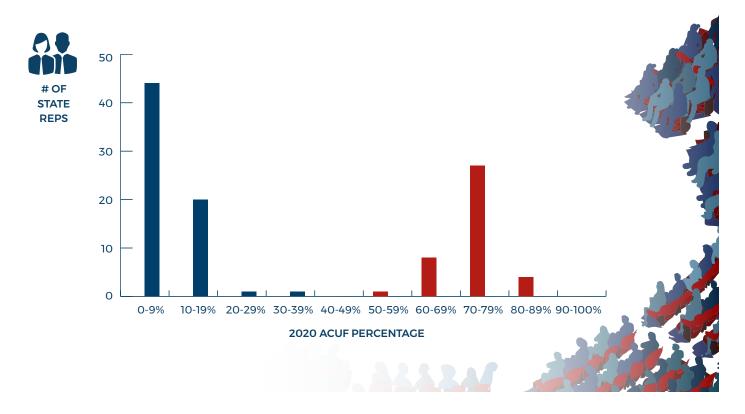




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Ammons, Carol	D	103	15%	14%	10%	-	+	-	+	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Andrade, Jaime	D	40	n/a†	15%	15%	-	Х	-	Х	-	-	Х	Х	х	Х	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	Х	х	Х	х
BAILEY, DARREN	R	109	74%	88%	81%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	Х	+	-	+	+	Х	+	-	+	+	+	-
BATINICK, MARK	R	97	<b>71</b> %	74%	79%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
BENNETT, THOMAS	R	106	75%	n/a	87%	+	+	+	х	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
BOURNE, AVERY	R	95	67%	79%	80%	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
BRADY, DAN	R	105	71%	62%	80%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Bristow, Monica	D	111	15%	45%	34%	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-
BRYANT, TERRI	R	115	58%	56%	67%	+	-	+	х	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	Х	-
Buckner, Kambium	D	26	10%	14%	12%	-	+	-	+	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Burke, Kelly	D	36	11%	17%	25%	-	+	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
BUTLER, TIM	R	87	<b>71</b> %	69%	76%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
CABELLO, JOHN	R	68	70%	<b>7</b> 4%	80%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	Х	+	-	+	+	+	-
Carroll, Jonathan	D	57	n/a†	23%	19%	Х	+	Х	х	Х	Х	-	-	-	-	х	Х	х	Х	-	Х	Х	-	-	-	-
Cassidy, Kelly	D	14	10%	13%	10%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	х
CAULKINS, DAN	R	101	70%	88%	79%	+	+	+	+	+	х	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-
CHESNEY, ANDREW	R	89	71%	79%	75%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Collins, Lakesia	D	9	n/a†	n/a	n/a	х	+	Х	х	Х	Х	-	-	-	-	х	Х	х	Х	-	Х	Х	-	-	-	х
Connor, John	D	85	n/a†	19%	15%	-	х	-	+	-	-	Х	х	х	х	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	Х	х	х	-
Conroy, Deborah	D	46	10%	12%	15%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Crespo, Fred	D	44	10%	19%	26%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Croke, Margaret	D	12	n/a†	n/a	n/a	Х	+	х	х	Х	х	-	-	-	-	Х	Х	х	х	-	х	Х	-	-	-	х
D'Amico, John	D	15	14%	18%	17%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
DAUGHERTY, GARY	R	66	n/a†	n/a	n/a	Х	+	х	х	х	х	+	+	-	+	х	Х	х	х	+	х	х	+	+	+	х
DAVIDSMEYER, C.D.	R	100	70%	77%	79%	+	+	+	х	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Davis, William	D	30	5%	20%	13%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Delgado, Eva	D	3	10%	n/a	10%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DeLuca, Anthony	D	80	<b>7</b> %	18%	16%	-	+	-	Х	-	-	-	Х	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	Х	-	Х	-	Х	-
DEMMER, TOM	R	90	67%	68%	82%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-
Didech, Daniel	D	59	10%	14%	12%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
DURKIN, JIM	R	82	68%	62%	79%	+	+	+	Х	+	-	Х	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Edly-Allen, Mary	D	51	12%	17%	14%	-	+	-	+	-	-	Х	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	Х	-
Evans, Marcus	D	33	0%	17%	9%	-	Х	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х
Flowers, Mary	D	31	15%	13%	17%	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ford, LaShawn	D	8	10%	15%	11%	-	+	-	+	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
FRESE, RANDY	R	94	<b>7</b> 8%	78%	85%	+	+	+	+	+	+	Х	+	Х	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	Х	+	-
Gabel, Robyn	D	18	10%	12%	13%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gong-Gershowitz, Jennifer	D	17	10%	17%	13%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gonzalez, Edgar	D	21	n/a†	n/a	n/a	Х	+	х	+	Х	х	-	-	-	-	х	Х	Х	х	-	х	Х	-	-	-	-
Gordon-Booth, Jehan	D	92	10%	15%	17%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GRANT, AMY	R	42	70%	68%	69%	+	+	+	+	+	-	Х	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Greenwood, LaToya	D	114	10%	19%	13%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Guzzardi, Will	D	39	11%	17%	12%	-	+	-	+	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	х
HAAS, JACKIE	R	79	n/a†	n/a	n/a	Х	+	Х	Х	Х	Х	+	+	-	+	Х	Х	Х	Х	+	Х	Х	-	+	+	Х
HALBROOK, BRAD	R	102	79%	93%	94%	+	-	+	+	Х	+	+	+	-	Х	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-
Halpin, Michael	D	72	10%	29%	25%	-	+	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HAMMOND, NORINE	R	93	75%	62%	<b>7</b> 8%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	х
Harper, Sonya	D	6	10%	17%	11%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Harris, Gregory	D	13	10%	17%	12%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hernandez, Barbara	D	83	5%	17%	11%	-	+	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	х

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Hoffman, Jay	D	113	10%	26%	17%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Howard, Terra	D	48	14%	n/a	14%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
Hurley, Frances	D	35	10%	20%	16%	-	+	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
Jones, Thaddeus	D	29	5%	18%	14%	-	+	-	х	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kalish, Yehiel	D	16	10%	18%	14%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-
KEICHER, JEFF	R	70	80%	59%	70%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	х
Kifowit, Stephanie	D	84	5%	28%	18%	-	+	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
LaPointe, Lindsey	D	19	5%	n/a	5%	-	+	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lilly, Camille	D	78	10%	13%	10%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Madigan, Michael	D	22	n/a†	13%	20%	-	Х	х	+	Х	-	Х	-	х	-	-	Х	Х	-	-	-	Х	х	Х	-	-
Mah, Theresa	D	2	5%	17%	11%	-	+	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Manley, Natalie	D	98	10%	14%	20%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MARRON, MICHAEL	R	104	75%	64%	70%	+	+	+	+	+	Х	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Mason, Joyce	D	61	10%	21%	16%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mayfield, Rita	D	60	11%	18%	13%	-	+	Х	+	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MAZZOCHI, DEANNE	R	47	70%	n/a	70%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	х	+	+	-
MCCOMBIE, TONY	R	71	<b>7</b> 1%	63%	<b>7</b> 1%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
MCDERMED, MARGO	R	37	n/a†	68%	80%	+	Х	+	х	+	+	Х	Х	х	Х	+	-	+	+	Х	+	-	х	Х	Х	-
MCSWEENEY, DAVID	R	52	81%	<b>7</b> 1%	87%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
MEIER, CHARLES	R	108	70%	64%	79%	+	+	+	х	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Meyers-Martin, Debbie	D	38	6%	18%	12%	-	+	-	х	Х	-	-	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MILLER, CHRIS	R	110	72%	93%	82%	+	-	+	+	+	Х	+	+	-	Х	+	-	+	+	Х	+	-	+	+	+	-

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Moeller, Anna	D	43	10%	16%	11%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Morgan, Bob	D	58	10%	21%	15%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MORRISON, THOMAS	R	54	81%	92%	93%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Moylan, Martin	D	55	15%	12%	21%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
MURPHY, MIKE	R	99	<b>7</b> 1%	74%	73%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Mussman, Michelle	D	56	10%	12%	24%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ortiz, Aaron	D	1	6%	15%	10%	-	+	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х
OZINGA, TIM	R	37	n/a†	n/a	n/a	Х	+	Х	Х	Х	Х	+	+	-	Х	Х	Х	Х	Х	+	х	Х	+	+	+	Х
Pappas, Diane	D	45	5%	14%	10%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-
PARKHURST, LINDSAY	R	79	n/a†	70%	<b>74</b> %	+	Х	+	Х	+	-	Х	Х	Х	Х	+	-	-	+	Х	+	-	Х	Х	Х	-
Pizer, Jonathan	D	12	n/a†	n/a	n/a	-	Х	-	+	-	-	Х	Х	Х	Х	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	Х	Х	Х	Х
Ramirez, Delia	D	4	10%	17%	13%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
REICK, STEVEN	R	63	76%	78%	82%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Reitz, Nathan	D	116	19%	n/a	19%	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
Rita, Robert	D	28	5%	21%	15%	-	+	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-
Robinson, Lamont	D	5	10%	17%	13%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scherer, Sue	D	96	10%	34%	38%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SEVERIN, DAVE	R	117	62%	56%	67%	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-
SKILLICORN, ALLEN	R	66	n/a†	95%	92%	+	Х	+	+	+	+	Х	Х	Х	Х	+	-	+	+	Х	+	+	Х	Х	Х	-
Slaughter, Justin	D	27	10%	17%	13%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smith, Nicholas	D	34	10%	19%	12%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SOMMER, KEITH	R	88	<b>7</b> 1%	78%	84%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
SOSNOWSKI, JOE	R	69	78%	81%	91%	+	+	Х	+	Х	+	+	+	-	+	+	Х	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
SPAIN, RYAN	R	73	71%	65%	77%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Stava-Murray, Anne	D	81	38%	13%	25%	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
STEPHENS, BRADLEY	R	20	63%	n/a	63%	+	+	+	Х	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	Х
Stuart, Katie	D	112	14%	29%	25%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
SWANSON, DANIEL	R	74	67%	69%	76%	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Tarver, Curtis	D	25	n/a†	21%	21%	-	Х	-	+	х	х	Х	-	х	х	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-	х	-	-
Thapedi, André	D	32	5%	22%	11%	-	+	-	х	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		-

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Turner, Arthur	D	9	n/a†	19%	12%	-	х	-	х	-	х	х	х	х	х	-	-	-	-	х	-	-	х	х	х	-
UGASTE, DAN	R	65	76%	73%	75%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
UNES, MICHAEL	R	91	82%	76%	82%	+	+	+	+	+	х	+	+	-	+	+	-	х	+	+	+	-	х	+	+	х
Villa, Karina	D	49	10%	12%	11%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Walker, Mark	D	53	5%	12%	8%	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Walsh, Lawrence	D	86	6%	23%	25%	-	+	х	Х	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	Х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WEBER, TOM	R	64	71%	73%	72%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
WEHRLI, GRANT	R	41	n/a†	61%	<b>7</b> 8%	+	Х	+	+	+	-	х	х	х	х	+	-	-	+	х	+	-	х	Х	х	-
Welch, Emanuel Chris	D	7	5%	17%	8%	-	+	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WELTER, DAVID	R	75	<b>67</b> %	53%	67%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-
West, Maurice	D	67	10%	15%	12%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WHEELER, KEITH	R	50	76%	69%	84%	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
WILHOUR, BLAINE	R	107	76%	90%	83%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-
Williams, Ann	D	11	10%	14%	10%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Williams, Jawaharial	D	10	5%	n/a	5%	-	+	-	х	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Willis, Kathleen	D	77	10%	14%	15%	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WINDHORST, PATRICK	R	118	60%	64%	62%	+	-	+	х	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	-
Yednock, Lance	D	76	29%	38%	33%	-	+	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-
Yingling, Sam	D	62	14%	10%	22%	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
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- 2. SB 54 Deregulating the Alcoholic Beverage Industry by Permitting the Delivery of Alcoholic Drinks. This bill helps expand consumer choice by permitting the delivery of alcoholic liquor. Under the bill, retailers may now deliver alcoholic beverages through their employees or by a third-party contractor (like Gopuff). ACU supports a freer market in the alcoholic beverage industry, supports expanding consumer choice and eliminating unnecessary and anti-competitive regulations and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on January 12, 2021\* by a vote of 105-7 and the bill was signed into law.
- 3. SB 264 Advancing an Unbalanced Budget that Hikes Spending by Over \$2 Billion. This operating budget bill increases spending to \$42.8 billion in FY 2021, a nearly \$2.6 billion increase in spending compared to FY 2020 and at a level that is substantially more than the state is expected to raise in revenue (i.e., a budget shortfall), even before factoring in the effects of Gov. Pritzker's disastrous government shutdowns due to the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) outbreak. Making matters worse for taxpayers, this bill recklessly borrows \$5 billion from the Federal Reserve's Municipal Liquidity Facility to cover their shortfalls. ACU opposes reckless spending increases which harm the ability of the state to borrow and impose immense pressure to raise taxes and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 23, 2020 by a vote of 68-44 and the bill was signed into law.
- 4. HB 322 Protecting Motorists from Costly Fines by Restricting Automated Traffic Enforcement. This bill protects motorists from costly fines by restricting the use of automated traffic enforcement systems. Specifically, the bill prohibits non-home rule localities in 8 northern Illinois counties from enforcing traffic laws through automated systems. ACU opposes these automated systems that are primarily used to raise revenue rather than increase traffic safety, opposes the potential violation of privacy posed by these systems due to the ability of government to track the movements of drivers and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on February 26, 2020 by a vote of 84-4. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
- 5. HB 357 Increasing Government Dependency and Making Illegal Immigrants Eligible for Medicaid. This bill, the 2021 Budget Implementation Act, is 465 pages long and advances numerous Leftist priories designed to increase government dependency during the COVID-19 pandemic. Most notably though, the bill contains a hidden provision which makes Illinois the first State to provide Medicaid to illegal immigrants. ACU opposes increasing government dependency, and especially opposes expanding welfare programs to those residing in the country unlawfully and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 23, 2020 by a vote of 62-47 and the bill was signed into law.
- 6. SB 471 Mandating Unionization of Horse Racetrack Casinos. This bill, largely pertaining to COVID-19, contains a number of provisions that expand government interference in the private sector. Most notably, the bill contains a key provision that forces horse racetrack casino, or "racinos" to collectively bargain. Additionally, racinos must turn over the home contact information of their employees to unions and provide union bosses with meeting locations to recruit and organize employees. ACU supports the "right to work" without joining a union or paying union dues and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 22, 2020 by a vote of 95-10 and the bill was signed into law.



- 7. SB 558 Raising the Cost of Health Care Through Numerous New "Racial Justice" Mandates. This House version of this bill imposes even greater costs on taxpayers by overhauling the state's health care system to eliminate what the sponsors call "racial injustice." The omnibus health care bill micromanages the system by directing Medicaid contracts to minority-owned businesses, placing a moratorium on hospital closures, and forcing excessive regulations onto managed care organizations. Additionally, nurses are required to undergo implicit bias training in order to earn or renew their license. ACU believes in equal rights under the law for all, that it is the duty of government to ensure all laws are applied equally. ACU opposes the racial discrimination within this bill which further drives up healthcare costs and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on January 12, 2021\* by a vote of 66-41. (The amended bill failed to advance in the House.)
- 8. SB 1480 Subjecting Businesses to Lawsuit Abuse by Further Expanding "Equal Pay" Mandates. This bill would subject small business owners and large businesses alike to lawsuit abuse and costly penalties by further increasing employer mandates. Specifically, the bill forces private-sector employers with over 100 employees to obtain an "equal pay registration certificate" from the Illinois Department of Labor (IDOL) and disclose all employee demographics and compensation. The bill then subjects employers to civil penalties in an amount equal to 1% of their gross profits for any found violations of the state's Equal Pay Act. Additionally, the bill makes it a civil rights violation to take into consideration an employees' criminal conviction record regarding employee recruitment, hiring, promotion, or training. ACU believes employment discrimination is wrong and business that discriminate will face repercussions in the marketplace. However, ACU opposes this measure which has the potential to devastate small businesses by exposing them to lawsuit abuse and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on January 12, 2021\* by a vote of 70-43 and the bill was signed into law.
- 9. HB 1559 Empowering the Chicago Teachers Union to Dictate the Length of the School Day and Year. This bill represents an outrageous cave-in to the Chicago Teacher's Union (CTU), leaving the education of students susceptible to the whims of greedy union bosses. Under the bill, the length of the school day and the length of the school year will now be subject to collective bargaining if companion legislation is passed. ACU recognizes the CTU (and countless other unions) have exploited the COVID-19 pandemic to reduce their workloads at the expense of children and taxpayers. ACU opposes further empowering the greedy bosses of the CTU to deprive children of the education they need and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on January 12, 2021\* by a vote of 107-3 and the bill was signed into law.
- 10. SB 1608 Imposing New Mandates that Discriminate on the Basis of Race and Sex in the Awarding of Taxpayer Funds. This bill, which is over 150 pages in length, contains countless provisions which advance racial and sexual discrimination in the awarding of taxpayer funds. For example, the bill worsens a mandate that forces the state to contract with businesses based on their owner's race or sex rather than the cost and value they provide to taxpayers. The bill also creates new commissions on "Equity and Inclusion" and "African Descent-Citizens Reparations" and also creates a state version of the federal Community Reinvestment Act. ACU recognizes that this bill will drive up taxpayer procurement costs as the pool of applicants eligible to bid on projects is reduced. ACU believes in equal rights under the law for all, believes it is the duty of government to ensure all law are applied equally, opposes driving up taxpayer costs by awarding projects based on sexual or racial discrimination and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on January 11, 2021\* by a vote of 70-39 and the bill was signed into law.
- 11. SB 1863 Threatening Election Integrity by Weakening Ballot Security. This bill threatens the integrity of elections by implementing provisions that weaken ballot security. Under the bill, mail-in ballot applications are provided to anyone who has voted since 2018, regardless of if they have since moved or died. Additionally, the bill allows an unlimited number of mail-in ballot collection sites to be set up at the discretion of election officials and implements curbside voting. Furthermore, November 3, 2020 is designated as a state holiday, known as 2020 General Election Day, closing all government offices (apart from election authorities.) Lastly, the bill allows 16-year-olds to serve as election judges, despite being ineligible to vote. ACUF's Center to Protect Voters and their Voices is a leader in rebuilding the safeguards of our election systems and ensuring that every legal vote count once and only once. ACU opposes weakening the integrity of elections by introducing new opportunities for voter fraud which disenfranchise legal voters and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 21, 2020 by a vote of 72-43 and the bill was signed into law.



- 12. SB 1864 Proliferating Government Dependency by Weakening Medicaid Integrity Provisions. This bill raises taxpayer costs and increases government dependency by eliminating several Medicaid means-test requirements that help ensure benefits are directed to those who are truly needy and eligible for assistance. The bill creates a new avenue for fraud and abuse by now granting the Department of Healthcare and Family Services (HFS) the authority to accept an applicant's attestation of income, incurred medical expenses, residency, and insured status when considering requirements for Medicaid. Additionally, resource tests are eliminated, and the bill will suspend redeterminations, premium and co-payment requirements. The bill also forces Medicaid to cover routine costs for members who participate in medical trials and in-vitro fertilization services. ACU believes taxpayer-provided welfare should be reserved for those who are truly needy by ensuring the requirements are in place to determine eligibility, opposes weakening safeguards that combat fraud and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 23, 2020 by a vote of 112-0 and the bill was signed into law.
- 13. SB 2052 Expanding Cronyism within "Special Taxing Districts." This bill further expands the cronyism that takes place within "special taxing districts," which exempt select developers and their properties from property taxation. Under the bill, developers of 11 projects are provided extensions of the special property tax exemption they receive and are now exempt from certain completion requirements. ACU supports a broadly applied tax code with as low of rates possible for everyone. ACU opposes this cronyism (heavily lobbied for by radical Leftist Chicago Mayor Lori Lightfoot) which enriches select developers while shifting tax burdens to other property owners not favored by government and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 21, 2020 by a vote of 97-14 and the bill was signed into law.
- 14. SB 2099 Worsening the State's Fiscal Crisis by Growing the State Debt by an Additional \$5 Billion. This bill further indebts Illinois taxpayers by authorizing the state to borrow \$5 billion from the Federal Reserve and other agencies to cover the state's out-of-control spending. ACU opposes this fiscally irresponsible method of financing a state that is virtually bankrupt rather than reducing expenditures, believes it is absurd to further indebt Illinoisans at a time of a debt crisis and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 22, 2020 by a vote of 71-45 and the bill was signed into law.
- 15. HB 2170 Advancing Critical Race Theory and Racial Discrimination in the Awarding of Scholarships and Grants. This bill imposes new Leftists mandates on local school districts that advance critical race theory and "racial justice". Additionally, the bill directs taxpayer-funded education scholarships, grants, and incentives to be awarded on characteristics such as race and ethnicity as opposed to merit. ACU believes in equal rights under the law for all, that it is the duty of government to ensure all law are applied equally, opposes awarding taxpayer funds based on racial discrimination and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on January 11, 2021\* by a vote of 69-41 and the bill was signed into law.
- 16. HB 2238 Weakening Election Safeguards Against Fraudulent Ballots. This bill weakens election integrity by imposing onerous requirements to disqualify mailin ballots that are invalid. This bill (which went into effect with the passage of companion legislation) requires a majority decision by election judges in order to disqualify a mail ballot in which the signature does not match the signature on file. ACU recognizes that election integrity safeguards are designed to help ensure that one person cannot cast the ballot of another (or one person on behalf of many others). ACU finds this an absurd requirement which makes it likely that fraudulent ballots will be counted and disenfranchise legal voters and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 22, 2020 by a vote of 72-43 and the bill was signed into law.
- 17. HB 2455 Raising Employer Costs by Abusing Worker's Compensation. This bill drives up employment costs by creating a "rebuttable presumption" that an employee contracted Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) during the course of their employment. As a result, employers would be required to compensate such employees through workers compensation benefits. ACU opposes driving up employment costs by holding employers liable for the unintentional COVID-19, especially if the contraction did not occur during work time and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 22, 2020 by a vote of 113-2 and the bill was signed into law.
- 18. SB 3066 Advancing the Left's Mission to "Cancel Rent." The House version of this bill drives up housing costs and infringes property rights by taking advantage of the Chinese coronavirus (COVID-19) pandemic. Among other provisions, the bill seals all eviction filings for seven years, places a moratorium on evictions and foreclosures, and provides rental assistance with taxpayer funds at a time when the state is nearly bankrupt. ACU opposes this attack on property rights, opposes exploiting government-imposed shutdowns to foist the costs of socialized housing onto landlords, lenders, and taxpayers and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on January 12, 2021\* by a vote of 77-33. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)



- 19. HB 3360 Enriching Plaintiff Attorneys Through "Prejudgment" Interest. This bill enriches plaintiff attorneys and leads to lawsuit abuse through a 9% prejudgment interest rate. The bill applies to personal injury cases and permits the recovery of interest from the date of the injury to the time of judgement. The bill even applies the interest to non-economic damages. While ACU supports the right of an individual to receive just compensation for an injury, we oppose this measure which is not tied to market conditions and is largely designed to enrich plaintiff attorneys at the expense of businesses and consumers and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on January 12, 2021\* by a vote of 69-42 but the bill was vetoed by the governor.
- 20. HB 3653 Advancing the Left's All-Out Attack on the Police. This 764-page omnibus serves as an all-out attack on law enforcement and would have tremendous negative consequences on local communities and public safety. One of the bill's most egregious provisions prevents police from arresting or removing a trespasser who is causing a disturbance at a business. Additionally, the bill exposes law enforcement officers to unreasonable new criminal and legal liabilities, which will prevent them from adequately protecting communities and carrying out their duties as public servants. ACU opposes the promotion of lawlessness through the leftist notion of "defunding the police," opposes this measure which significantly threatens public safety and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on January 13, 2021\* by a vote of 60-50 and the bill was signed into law.
- 21. HB 3902 Expanding Cronyism through a Sales Tax Exemption for Aircraft Equipment. This bill shifts tax burdens to other individuals by extending a crony tax carve out provided to aircraft manufacturers. Specifically, the bill extends through 2024 a sales tax exemption covering all equipment that is used to manufacture aircraft. This includes the parts, materials, equipment, and furnishings, incorporated into or upon the aircraft. ACU supports a broadly applied tax code with as low of rates as possible for everyone. ACU opposes this carve out to a select industry which shifts tax burdens to other industries and individuals not favored by government and opposed this bill. The House voted to override the governor's veto of the bill on February 4, 2020 by a vote of 107-0 and the bill was signed into law.

<sup>\*</sup>These bills were voted on in a lame duck session of the 101st General Assembly held in January 2021 before the first session of the 102nd General Assembly began.