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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





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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Senate

House

*Perfect 100%

Wes Climer

Micajah P. Caskey, IV

John R. McCravy, III

Victor M. "Vic" Dabney

Adam M. Morgan

Joseph S. Daning

Garry R. Smith

Robert J. "RJ" May, III*

Ashley B. Trantham

Donald McCabe Jr.

Chris Wooten



Senate

House

Richard J. Cash

Michael Johnson

Josh Kimbrell

Linda "Lin" Bennett

James Mikell "Mike" Burns

William M. "Bill" Chumley

Sylleste H. Davis

Russell W. Fry

Leon D. "Doug" Gilliam

Patrick B. Haddon

Jonathon D. Hill

David R. Hiott

Stewart O. Jones

Steven Wayne Long

Josiah Magnuson

Roger A. Nutt

Melissa Lackey Oremus

Marvin "Mark" Smith

W. Brian White

Richard L. "Richie" Yow



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SOUTH CAROLINA SENATE STATISTICS

OVERALL AVERAGE
59%

REPUBLICAN AVERAGE

77%



DEMOCRAT AVERAGE

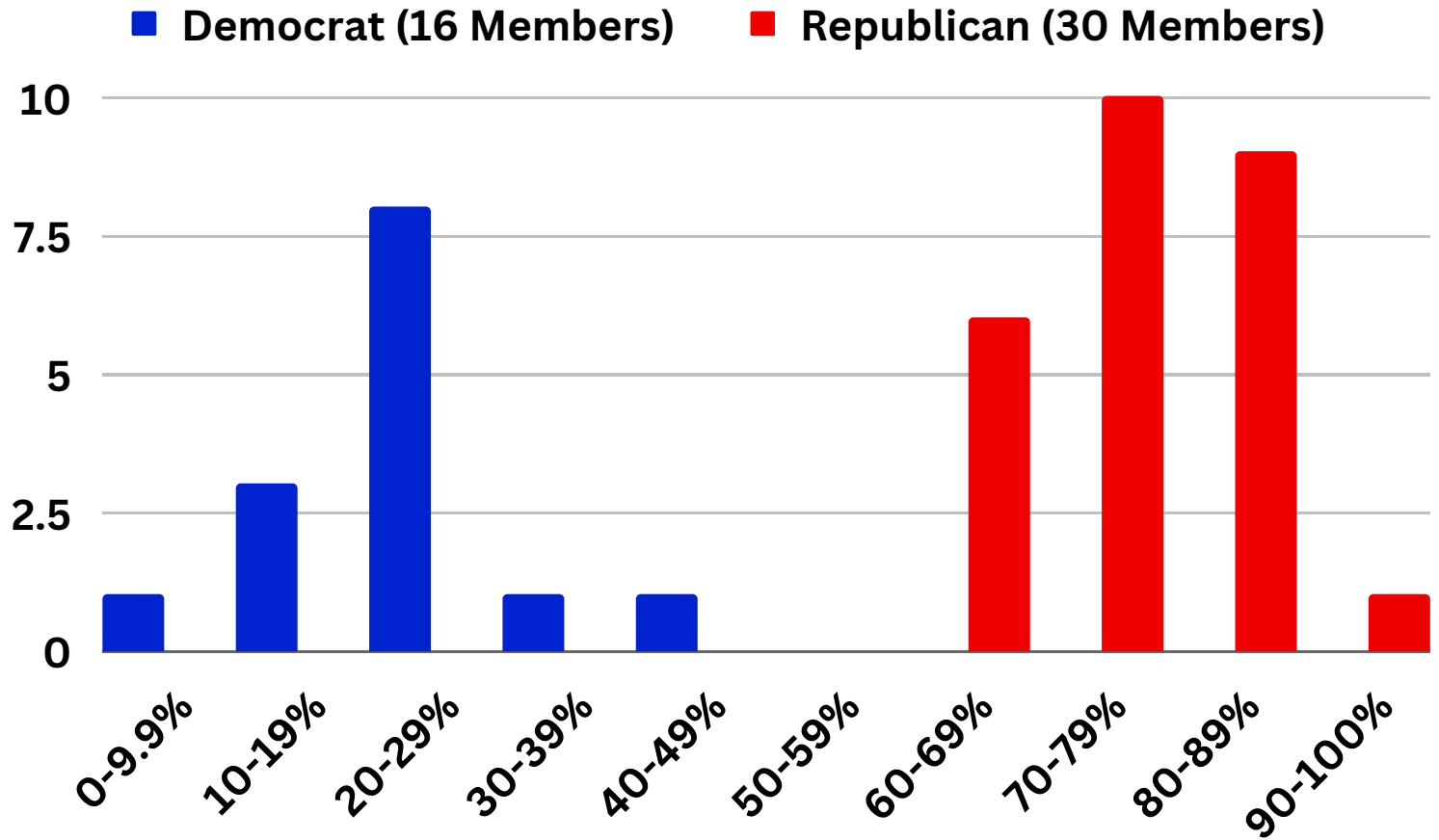
23%



LOWEST REPUBLICAN
TOM DAVIS
60%



HIGHEST DEMOCRAT
MIKE FANNING
42%





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SOUTH CAROLINA HOUSE STATISTICS

OVERALL AVERAGE
59%

REPUBLICAN AVERAGE

76%



DEMOCRAT AVERAGE

19%



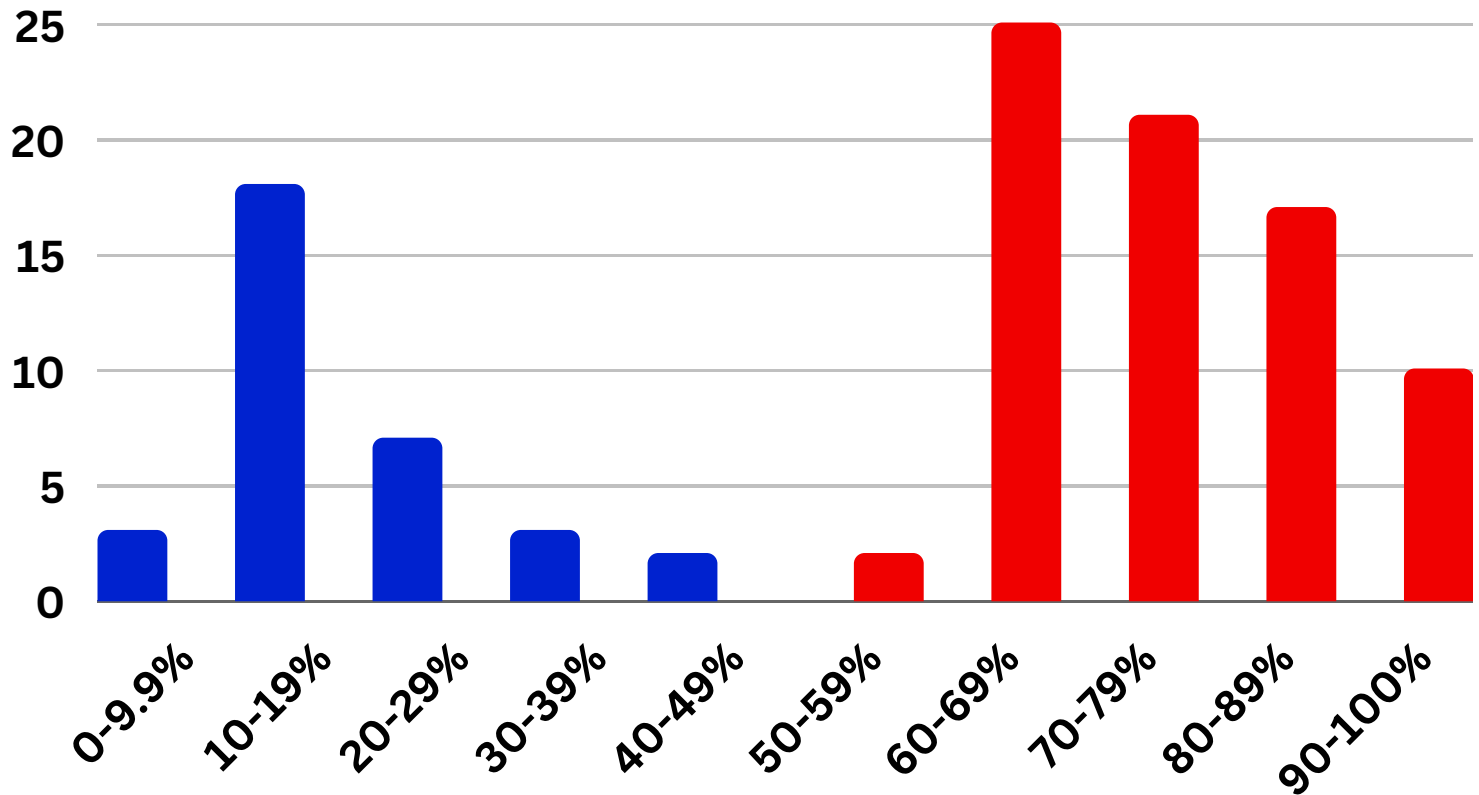
LOWEST REPUBLICAN
**KIRKMAN
FINLAY, III**
57%



HIGHEST DEMOCRAT
**JACKIE E.
HAYES**
47%



■ Democrat (43 Members) ■ Republican (80 Members)





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SOUTH CAROLINA SENATE SCORES

	Party	2022%	2021%	Lifetime%	HB 3105	HB 3126	HB 3340	HB 3948	HB 4608	HB 4776	HB 5150 (LIV. 4)	HB 5150 (LIV. 18)	HB 5399	SJR 133	SB 901	SB 935	SB 1032	SB 1087
Brian Adams	R	79%	76%	77%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
Thomas C. Alexander	R	69%	71%	42%	+	+	-	-	+	+	X	-	+	+	-	+	+	+
Karl B. Allen	D	21%	35%	19%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+
Sean M. Bennett	R	77%	69%	53%	+	+	+	-	X	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+
George E. "Chip" Campsen, III	R	77%	71%	57%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	X	+	-	+	+	+
Richard J. Cash	R	86%	82%	74%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
Wes Climer	R	93%	76%	70%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
Thomas D. "Tom" Corbin	R	79%	81%	65%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+
Ronnie W. Cromer	R	77%	81%	46%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	X	-	+	+	+
Tom Davis	R	60%	71%	62%	+	+	-	-	+	X	X	X	-	+	-	X	+	+
Mike Fanning	D	42%	38%	32%	X	X	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	+
Michael W. Gambrell	R	67%	75%	55%	+	+	-	-	+	X	+	-	+	+	-	X	+	+
Billy Garrett	R	79%	76%	77%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
Stephen L. Goldfinch	R	64%	76%	55%	+	+	-	-	+	X	+	-	+	X	-	X	+	+
Lawrence K. "Larry" Grooms	R	75%	80%	61%	+	+	-	-	+	+	X	X	+	+	-	+	+	+
Penry Gustafson	R	N/A	71%	71%	+	+	+	+	+	X	+	-	-	X	X	X	+	X
Richard A. "Dick" Harpootlian	D	N/A	29%	29%	X	X	-	-	-	X	+	X	-	-	X	X	+	X
Greg Hembree	R	62%	59%	47%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	X	-	+	+	+
Brad Hutto	D	25%	33%	22%	+	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+
Darrell Jackson	D	25%	33%	23%	+	-	X	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	+	+
Kevin L. Johnson	D	23%	35%	20%	+	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+
Michael Johnson	R	86%	76%	81%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
Josh Kimbrell	R	85%	80%	82%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	X	+

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W. Jay Luneau	D	45%	30%	50%	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+
Patrick McMath	R	71%	70%	76%	x	x	+	+	-	+	-	-	x	-	+	x	-	+
Barry S. Milligan	R	76%	66%	76%	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+
Fred H. Mills, Jr.	R	57%	58%	57%	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+
Robert Mills	R	76%	75%	79%	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+
Beth Mizell	R	76%	69%	70%	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+
John C. Morris, III	R	76%	79%	73%	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+
Barrow Peacock	R	76%	82%	69%	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+
Karen Peterson	D	N/A	20%	27%	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	x	-	x
J. Rogers Pope	R	62%	67%	66%	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+
Edward J. "Ed" Price	D	42%	36%	46%	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-
Mike Reese	R	75%	70%	78%	+	x	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+
Gary L. Smith, Jr.	D	50%	34%	55%	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+
Jeremy Stine	R	76%	N/A	76%	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+
Kirk Talbot	R	76%	73%	74%	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	+
Gregory W. Tarver, Sr.	D	N/A	44%	51%	x	x	x	x	x	+	-	-	x	-	x	x	x	+
Rick Ward, III	R	71%	64%	59%	+	x	+	+	x	+	-	-	x	-	-	+	-	+
Mack A. White, Jr.	R	65%	72%	63%	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+
Glen Womack	R	67%	67%	74%	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+

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HB 3105 Protecting Religious Freedom.

This bill protects the free exercise of religion by labeling religious services as “essential.” This means that, during states of emergency, religious services will be permitted to operate to the same extent that other “essential” services are permitted to operate. CPAC opposed efforts to use the COVID-19 pandemic as a reason to shut down churches, supports efforts to ensure that this doesn’t happen again, and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on April 6, 2022 by a vote of 39-2 and the bill later became law.

HB 3126 Banning Government Vaccine Mandates.

This bill prevents the state from issuing COVID-19 vaccine mandates and prohibits local governments from dismissing employees due to their vaccination status. It also creates various other protections from discrimination for those who refuse to receive a COVID-19 vaccine. CPAC opposes COVID-19 vaccine mandates and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on April 6, 2022 by a vote of 29-12 and the bill later became law.

HB 3340 Expanding Special Interest Tax Credits.

This bill increases the maximum annual amount of tax credits that a company engaged in qualifying infrastructure and development projects may claim from four to six hundred thousand dollars. CPAC opposes government favoritism toward certain businesses and industries, opposes the expansion of tax credit programs that further promote government favoritism, and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 11, 2022 by a vote of 36-5 and the bill later became law.

HB 3948 Allowing for Sales and Use Tax Increases.

This bill allows counties to impose an additional sales and use tax of up to 1% for capital projects. CPAC opposes increasing inappropriate tax burdens whenever possible and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 11, 2022 by a vote of 26-17 and the bill later became law.

HB 4608 Protecting Women’s Sports.

This bill requires that school sports teams be designated as being for males, females, or both (coed). It then requires that schools only permit females to play on the teams designated as being for females. CPAC supports efforts to create a safe and fair environment of play in school sports and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on May 4, 2022 by a vote of 30-10 and the bill later became law.



HB 4776 Creating Freedom of Conscience Protections for Healthcare Providers.

This bill allows medical practitioners to refuse to participate in healthcare services that go against their personal beliefs. CPAC supports efforts to give individuals the right to choose not to participate in procedures that go against their moral conscience and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 15, 2022 by a vote of 23-13 and the bill later became law.

HB 5150 (LIV. #4) Earmarking Appropriations.

This line item veto (#4) to the appropriations bill eliminates \$1 million in education funds that bypassed the procurement process. CPAC opposes earmarks that encourage profligate spending and supported the governor's veto. The Senate voted to sustain the governor's veto on June 28, 2022 by a vote of 9-26. (A "No" vote supported the CPAC position).

HB 5150 (LIV. #18) Wasting Taxpayer Funds on a "Cultural Welcome Center."

This line item veto (#18) eliminates \$7 million in earmarks for a "Cultural Welcome Center" in Orangeburg. CPAC recognizes the governor's concern about the necessity of this project, agrees that, prior to appropriating funds, there must be a clear need for their appropriation, and supported this veto. The Senate overrode the Governor's veto of this provision on June 28, 2022 by a vote of 25-11. (A "No" vote supported the CPAC position.)

HB 5399 Protecting Life.

This bill prohibits doctors from performing abortions in South Carolina except in circumstances in which it is necessary to save the life of or prevent serious injury to the mother. CPAC believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions on the practice, and supported this bill. The Senate voted to table (kill) the conference report on the bill on November 9, 2022 by a vote of 23-21.

SJR 133 (2nd Reading) Encouraging the Imposition of Fiscal Restraints on the Federal Government.

This early version of SJR 133 calls on other states to form a convention considering an amendment to the Constitution that would require the federal government to maintain a balanced budget. CPAC supports efforts to promote fiscal restraint at the level of the federal government and supported this resolution. The Senate passed this resolution on March 16, 2022 by a vote of 24-16.



SB 901 Solar Energy Tax Credits.

This bill expands the amount of special tax credits that may be given to entities that construct, purchase, or lease certain solar energy properties. 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 Senate passed the bill on June 15, 2022 by a vote of 41-0 and the bill later became law.

SB 935 Advancing School Choice Through Education Scholarship Accounts.

This bill creates certain scholarship education accounts for children living in low-income households and for some individuals whose parents are members of the military. While CPAC would rather see this program become available to all students, CPAC still supports most small efforts to promote school choice and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate failed to end debate on the bill on March 30, 2022 by a vote of 21-13 (a 3/5 vote was needed to invoke cloture).

SB 1032 Improving State Immigration Enforcement.

This bill creates the South Carolina Illegal Immigration Enforcement Unit within the state law enforcement division. CPAC supports the enforcement of federal immigration laws and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on April 7, 2022 by a vote of 41-0 but the bill did not receive final approval.

SB 1087 Modest Tax Cut.

This bill reduces the top income tax rate to 6 percent over the coming years if certain conditions are met. CPAC supports appropriate tax relief whenever possible and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on June 15, 2022 by a vote of 42-0 and the bill later became law.



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Carl L. Anderson	D	27%	18%	19%	+	+	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	X	-	+	X	+	
Terry Alexander	D	N/A	18%	15%	+	X	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	+	-	-	X	-	X	X	X	X	X	X
Merita A. "Rite" Allison	R	71%	56%	64%	+	+	-	+	+	X	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	X	+	X	X	+	X	
Lucas Atkinson	D	44%	50%	43%	+	X	-	+	+	+	X	-	-	-	-	X	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	
William H. Bailey	R	67%	60%	62%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	X	+	-	-	+	+	+	
Nathan Ballentine	R	N/A	63%	60%	+	+	-	+	+	X	X	+	X	X	X	+	+	+	-	X	X	+	X	
Justin T. Bamberg	D	38%	N/A	25%	+	+	-	X	X	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	+	+	+	
Bruce W. Bannister	R	67%	53%	55%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	X	-	+	+	+	
Linda "Lin" Bennett	R	81%	75%	67%	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	X	-	-	X	+	+	
Beth E. Bernstein	D	17%	11%	22%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	
Bart T. Blackwell	R	78%	55%	56%	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	
Jeffrey A. "Jeff" Bradley	R	75%	61%	59%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	X	-	+	+	X	X	+	-	-	+	+	+	
Wendy C. Brawley	D	8%	11%	18%	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	-	X	-	-	X	X	-	+	
Thomas Brittain Jr.	R	59%	58%	58%	+	+	-	X	X	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	
Bruce M. Bryant	R	78%	50%	62%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	X	+	+	
James Mikell "Mike" Burns	R	88%	80%	67%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	X	X	X	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	
Joseph M. "Joe" Bustos	R	67%	55%	61%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	X	
Paula Rawl Calhoun	R	72%	60%	62%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	X	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	
Jerry T. Carter	R	67%	47%	57%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	X	X	X	X	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	
Micajah P. "Micah" Caskey, IV	R	94%	67%	66%	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	X	+	+	+	
William M. "Bill" Chumley	R	89%	74%	77%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	
William "Bill" Clyburn	D	17%	13%	22%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	X	+	
Gilda Cobb-Hunter	D	11%	18%	18%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	+	-	+	
William Scott Cogswell, Jr.	R	N/A	14%	36%	+	+	-	+	X	X	+	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	
Neal A. Collins	R	67%	56%	53%	X	X	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	X	+	+	-	X	+	+	

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Bobby J. Cox	R	71%	80%	70%	x	x	-	x	x	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	x	+	-	-	+	+	+
Westley P. "West" Cox	R	71%	63%	62%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	x	-	-	x	+	+
Heather Ammons Crawford	R	72%	81%	58%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	x	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+
Victor M. "Vic" Dabney	R	93%	85%	89%	+	+	+	+	+	x	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	x	x	+	x
Joseph S. Daning	R	93%	50%	61%	+	+	x	+	x	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	x	+	x	-	+	+	+
Sylleste H. Davis	R	84%	68%	66%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
Chandra E. Dillard	D	13%	11%	18%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	-	-	x	-	-	-	-	-	x
Jason Elliott	R	79%	50%	61%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+
Shannon S. Erickson	R	63%	50%	58%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	x	x	x	-	-	+	+	+
R. Raye Felder	R	68%	53%	64%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+
Kirkman Finlay, III	R	57%	38%	53%	+	+	-	+	x	+	+	-	-	-	-	x	x	x	x	-	+	+	+
Cally R. "Cal" Forrest	R	79%	83%	66%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+
Russell W. Fry	R	84%	75%	64%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
Craig A. Gagnon	R	79%	65%	58%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
Kambrell H. Garvin	D	6%	10%	16%	-	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	x
Gil Gatch	R	64%	53%	59%	+	+	x	+	x	+	x	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	x	-	+	x	+
Leon D. "Doug" Gilliam	R	89%	75%	76%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	x	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Wendell G. Gilliard	D	13%	17%	18%	-	-	x	-	-	-	-	-	x	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	x	-	+
Jerry N. Govan, Jr.	D	N/A	11%	24%	x	-	x	-	-	x	-	-	x	x	x	-	-	-	x	-	x	-	+
Patrick B. Haddon	R	89%	75%	83%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	x	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Kevin Hardee	R	71%	55%	58%	+	+	-	+	x	+	x	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+
Christopher R. "Chris" Hart	D	N/A	7%	32%	+	-	x	x	x	-	-	-	x	x	-	-	x	x	x	-	+	-	x
Jackie E. "Coach" Hayes	D	47%	N/A	37%	+	+	-	+	x	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	x
Rosalyn D. Henderson-Myers	D	24%	15%	24%	+	-	-	x	-	-	-	-	x	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+
Patricia Moore "Pat" Henegan	D	17%	21%	20%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	-	-	+	-	+

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William G. "Bill" Herbkersman	R	61%	60%	52%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	X	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+
Lee Hewitt	R	68%	63%	58%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+
Jonathon D. Hill	R	80%	82%	85%	+	-	-	X	+	+	X	X	+	+	+	+	X	-	+	+	+	+	+
David R. Hiott	R	84%	71%	63%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
William M. "Bill" Hixon	R	68%	53%	59%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+
Lonnie Hosey	D	18%	11%	22%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	+	X	+
Leon Howard	D	N/A	N/A	23%	-	-	-	X	-	X	-	X	-	X	X	-	-	-	X	-	X	X	+
Chip Huggins	R	79%	82%	68%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	X	+	X	X	+	-	+	-	X	+	+	X
Max T. Hyde, Jr.	R	68%	55%	55%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+
Joseph H. Jefferson, Jr.	D	12%	15%	19%	X	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+
Jeffrey E. "Jeff" Johnson	R	69%	63%	59%	+	+	-	+	X	+	+	X	-	+	-	+	X	+	-	-	+	+	+
Jermaine Johnson Sr.	D	8%	6%	7%	+	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	-	X	-	-	-	-	X	X	-	X
Kimberly O. Johnson	D	21%	10%	16%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+
Stewart O. Jones	R	88%	86%	89%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	X	X	-	+	X	+	+
Wallace H. "Jay" Jordan, Jr.	R	63%	53%	52%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+
John Richard C. King	D	12%	19%	22%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	X	-	-	-	+	-	+
Roger K. Kirby	D	27%	29%	27%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	X	-	X	-	-	-	+	+	+
Thomas R. "Randy" Ligon	R	65%	55%	56%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	X	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	X	+	+
Steven Wayne Long	R	89%	76%	79%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
Phillip D. Lowe	R	63%	69%	61%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+
James H. "Jay" Lucas	R	64%	58%	51%	+	+	-	+	+	X	+	-	-	+	-	+	X	X	-	X	X	+	+
Josiah Magnuson	R	89%	75%	79%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
Krystle N. Matthews	D	N/A	12%	18%	+	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	X	-	X	X	+
Robert J. "RJ" May, III	R	100%	90%	95%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Donald McCabe Jr.	R	94%	90%	92%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	X	+	+

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John R. McCravy, III	R	95%	74%	68%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Annie E. McDaniel	D	11%	17%	20%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+
Sandy N. McGarry	R	75%	60%	68%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	X	-	+	-	+	+	+	X	-	+	X	+	+
Timothy A. "Tim" McGinnis	R	65%	69%	63%	+	+	-	+	X	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	X	+
Cezar E. McKnight	D	N/A	27%	18%	+	-	X	-	X	+	X	X	X	X	X	-	X	X	-	-	+	+	+	+
JA Moore	D	N/A	N/A	26%	X	X	-	-	-	X	X	-	X	X	X	-	-	-	X	X	X	X	X	X
Travis A. Moore	R	76%	60%	68%	+	X	X	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
Adam M. Morgan	R	94%	82%	85%	X	+	X	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+
T. Alan Morgan	R	N/A	N/A	N/A	X	X	X	X	X	+	X	X	+	+	+	X	X	+	X	+	+	+	X	+
Dennis C. Moss	R	74%	60%	60%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
V. Stephen "Steve" Moss	R	77%	N/A	60%	+	+	-	+	+	X	+	X	X	X	X	+	-	+	+	-	-	X	+	+
Chris Murphy	R	64%	63%	64%	+	+	-	X	+	+	X	X	-	+	-	+	-	X	X	-	+	+	+	+
Chardale R. Murray	D	19%	14%	16%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	+	X	-	-	X	-	+	+
Brandon Michael Newton	R	68%	53%	58%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Wm. Weston J. Newton	R	67%	61%	53%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	X	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Roger A. Nutt	R	84%	65%	75%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Melissa Lackey Oremus	R	89%	84%	85%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Russell L. Ott	D	24%	35%	30%	+	X	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	+
J. Anne Parks	D	8%	N/A	18%	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	X	+	+
Marvin R. Pendarvis	D	18%	17%	22%	+	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	X	-	+	-	+	+
Thomas E. "Tommy" Pope	R	67%	47%	54%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	X	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Michael F. Rivers, Sr.	D	11%	13%	18%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Robby Robbins	R	N/A	N/A	N/A	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	-	+	-	X	X	+	X	-	X	X	+	+
Leola C. Robinson	D	N/A	N/A	22%	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	X	X	+	X	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	+

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Seth Rose	D	21%	11%	20%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+
J. Todd Rutherford	D	14%	14%	23%	x	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	x	-	-	x	+	x
William R. "Bill" Sandifer, III	R	63%	63%	55%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+
J. Gary Simrill	R	60%	47%	55%	x	+	x	x	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	x	-	-	+	+	+
G. Murrell Smith, Jr.	R	63%	56%	56%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+
Garry R. Smith	R	93%	68%	68%	+	+	x	+	x	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	x	+	+	x	+
Marvin "Mark" Smith	R	83%	80%	82%	+	+	x	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+
Leonidas E. "Leon" Stavrinakis	D	12%	7%	23%	+	-	-	-	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	+
Bill Taylor	R	78%	70%	65%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	x	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+
Deon T. Tedder	D	11%	11%	11%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Anne J. Thayer	R	78%	75%	73%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	x	+	-	+	+	+
Ivory Torrey Thigpen	D	N/A	19%	24%	+	-	x	x	x	-	-	x	-	-	-	-	x	-	x	-	-	x	+
Ashley B. Trantham	R	94%	78%	72%	+	+	x	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	x	+	-	+	+	+
J. David Weeks	D	36%	13%	30%	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	x	-	+	-	-	x	x	x	-	+	x	+
John Taliaferro "Jay" West, IV	R	72%	56%	58%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	x	-	+	+	+
Elizabeth "Spencer" Wetmore	D	11%	21%	16%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	+
William W. "Will" Wheeler, III	D	38%	18%	27%	+	-	-	-	+	x	-	-	-	+	-	-	x	x	-	-	+	+	+
W. Brian White	R	87%	76%	60%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	x	x	x	+	+	+	x	-	+	+	+
William R. "Bill" Whitmire	R	72%	74%	59%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	x	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+
Robert Q. Williams	D	22%	18%	24%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	x	+
Shedron D. Williams	D	13%	13%	19%	+	-	x	-	x	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	x	-	-	x	+
Mark N. Willis	R	79%	53%	65%	x	x	-	+	+	+	+	+	x	x	x	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+
Chris Wooten	R	94%	74%	65%	+	+	x	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	x	x	+	+
Richard L. "Richie" Yow	R	83%	72%	64%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	x	+	-	+	+	+

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HB 3105 Protecting Religious Freedom.

This bill protects the free exercise of religion by labeling religious services as “essential.” This means that, during states of emergency, religious services will be permitted to operate to the same extent that other “essential” services are permitted to operate. CPAC opposed efforts to use the COVID-19 pandemic as a reason to shut down churches, supports efforts to ensure that this doesn’t happen again, and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on April 20, 2022 by a vote of 102-9 and the bill later became law.

HB 3126 Banning Government Vaccine Mandates.

This bill prevents the state from issuing COVID-19 vaccine mandates and prohibits local governments from dismissing employees due to their vaccination status. It also creates various other protections from discrimination for those who refuse to receive a COVID-19 vaccine. CPAC opposes COVID-19 vaccine mandates and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on April 20, 2022 by a vote of 76-34 and the bill later became law.

HB 3340 Expanding Special Interest Tax Credits.

This bill increases the maximum annual amount of tax credits that a company engaged in qualifying infrastructure and development projects may claim from four to six hundred thousand dollars. CPAC opposes government favoritism toward certain businesses and industries, opposes the expansion of tax credit programs that further promote government favoritism, and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 12, 2022 by a vote of 98-3 and the bill later became law.

HB 4568 Helping Women Protect Life.

This bill requires physicians to, upon prescribing mifepristone or other abortion-inducing drugs to a woman, attach a disclosure statement to the prescription informing the woman that, if after taking the first abortion pill she regrets her actions, she should consult with a physician for help because the first pill may not always kill the unborn baby. CPAC believes abortion is always a human tragedy, supports efforts to diminish its practice, and supported this bill. The House passed this bill on May 4, 2022 by a vote of 76-34 but the bill did not progress in the Senate.



HB 4608 Protecting Women's Sports.

This bill requires that school sports teams be designated as being for males, females, or both (coed). It then requires that schools only permit females to play on the teams designated as being for females. CPAC supports efforts to create a safe and fair environment of play in school sports and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on May 10, 2022 by a vote of 70-33 and the bill later became law.

HB 4919 (Amd. Magnuson) Auditing Election Results.

The Magnuson (CPAC Lifetime Rating 79%) amendment to the election reform bill requires that a post-election hand count audit be performed of five percent of the ballots. CPAC supports efforts to prevent election fraud and supported this amendment. The House passed the amendment on March 2, 2022 by a vote of 73-37.

HB 4776 Creating Freedom of Conscience Protections for Healthcare Providers.

This bill allows medical practitioners to refuse to participate in healthcare services that go against their personal beliefs. CPAC supports efforts to give individuals the right to choose not to participate in procedures that go against their moral conscience and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on June 15, 2022 by a vote of 76-31 and the bill later became law.

HB 5150 (Amd. Jones) (Motion to Defeat) Preventing the Creation of Government-Imposed Vaccine Passports.

The Jones (CPAC Lifetime Rating 89%) amendment to the appropriations bill prohibits state agencies from creating Smart Health Card programs that could be used for COVID-19 specific vaccine passports. CPAC opposes all measures that would promote the creation of COVID-19 "vaccine passports" and supported this amendment. The House tabled (killed) the amendment on March 14, 2022 by a vote of 56-40. (A "No" vote supported the CPAC position).

HB 5150 (LIV. #4) Earmarking Appropriations.

This line-item veto (#4) to the appropriations bill eliminates \$1 million in earmarks for education funds that bypass the procurement and grants process intended to evaluate education grants. CPAC opposes earmarks that encourage profligate spending and supported the governor's veto. The House overrode the governor's veto on June 28, 2022 by a vote of 83-21. (A "No" vote supported the CPAC position).



HB 5150 (LIV. #13) Earmarking Funds for a Supercomputer.

This line-item veto (#13) eliminates \$25 million in earmarks that would have been used for the purpose of procuring a quantum supercomputer. CPAC believes that this type of funding should be appropriated through stand-alone legislation, the likes of which would allow for greater public testimony and debate concerning the expenditure of these funds, and supported this veto. The House voted to sustain the governor's veto on June 28, 2022 by a vote of 28-77. (A "No" vote supported the CPAC position).

HB 5150 (LIV. #18) Wasting Taxpayer Funds on a "Cultural Welcome Center."

This line-item veto (#18) eliminates \$7 million in earmarks for a "Cultural Welcome Center" in Orangeburg. CPAC recognizes the governor's concern about the necessity of this project, agrees that, prior to appropriating funds, there must be a clear need for their appropriation, and supported this veto. The House overrode the governor's veto on June 28, 2022 by a vote of 73-32. (A "No" vote supported the CPAC position.)

HB 5183 Combatting Leftist Indoctrination in Schools.

This bill prohibits schools from teaching certain divisive concepts. These concepts include those that state that one is inherently racist because of their race and that state that meritocracy is racist. The bill also provides for several other provisions that will help parents learn more about what their child is being taught in school. CPAC supports efforts to combat the teaching of Leftist principles in schools, supports efforts to let parents know what is being taught in schools, and supported this bill. The House passed this bill on April 21, 2022 by a vote of 73-40 but the bill did not progress in the Senate.

HB 5183 (Amd. Bennett) (Motion to Defeat) No Porn in Schools.

The Bennett (CPAC Lifetime Rating 67%) amendment to the transparency in education bill requires that school materials not contain lewd or sexually explicit content. CPAC supports efforts to make the teaching of these subjects the purview of parents and supported this amendment. The House tabled (killed) this amendment on April 20, 2022 by a vote of 55-42.

HB 5399 Protecting Life.

This bill prohibits doctors from performing abortions in South Carolina except in circumstances in which it is necessary to save the life of or prevent serious injury to the mother. CPAC believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions on the practice, and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on August 31, 2022 by a vote of 67-35 but the Senate defeated the conference committee report.



SB 152 Increasing Tax Burdens.

This bill authorizes counties to introduce a new tax in South Carolina for the purpose of acquiring and preserving open lands and green spaces. CPAC opposes further raising the tax burden and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on May 11, 2022 by a vote of 67-28 and the bill later became law.

SB 901 Solar Energy Tax Credits.

This bill expands the amount of special tax credits that may be given to entities that construct, purchase, or lease certain solar energy properties. 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 the bill on June 15, 2022 by a vote of 98-11 and the bill later became law.

SB 935 Advancing School Choice Through Education Scholarship Accounts.

This bill creates certain scholarship education accounts for children living in low-income households and for some individuals whose parents are members of the military. While CPAC would rather see this program become available to all students, CPAC still supports most small efforts to promote school choice and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The House passed the bill on June 15, 2022 by a vote of 85-14 but the Senate failed to invoke cloture on the bill.

SB 1032 Improving State Immigration Enforcement.

This bill creates the South Carolina Illegal Immigration Enforcement Unit within the state law enforcement division. CPAC supports the enforcement of federal immigration laws and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on May 11, 2022 by a vote of 82-18 but did not receive final approval.

SB 1087 Modest Tax Cut.

This bill reduces the top income tax rate to 6 percent over the coming years if certain conditions are met. CPAC supports appropriate tax relief whenever possible and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on June 15, 2022 by a vote of 110-0 and the bill later became law.