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Arkansas's 2015 Freedom Scorecard:
How Our State Legislators Voted on Questions of
Liberty and Good Government

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The legislators who served in the regular session of Arkansas's 90th General Assembly were regularly faced with choices that tested their commitment to the values that conservative Arkansans expected from them.

Those values included smaller government, better schools, occupational freedom, lawsuit reform, public integrity, transparency in government, fair elections, and respect for our constitutional rights.

Some legislators failed those tests; others passed with flying colors.

To find out how your legislator performed, look inside.



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Introduction

The Advance Arkansas Institute is pleased to present this study of the 2015 voting records of the members of the Arkansas General Assembly. This study discloses and rates legislative votes on roughly 100 notable bills considered in the regular session of the 90th General Assembly. Notability, of course, is in the eye of the beholder; in this case, the beholders are the authors and producers of this study. Although it is not the role of AAI to endorse (or condemn) the performance of any particular legislator, we believe the statistics below illuminate how the votes of some legislators advanced the well-being of Arkansas citizens while the votes of other legislators diminished it.

In Section I, we rank the voting records of legislators by totaling up the subscores they earned to derive a final score. We call this the “Freedom Rating.” We arrived at those subscores by measuring, through recorded votes on various bills, legislators’ fidelity to roughly a dozen different values: criminal justice, efficiency in government, fair elections, freedom of information, health care, higher education, individual freedom, integrity in government, lawsuit reform, occupational freedom, school reform, Second Amendment rights, smaller government, and tax and budget relief.

Section II demonstrates how we formulated each of those fourteen subscores. We begin by providing a table of fourteen subscores for each legislator, represented as percentages. We then provide fourteen tables of legislative votes: each table shows how we calculated a particular percentage subscore.

In Section III, a different index – our 20/20 Rating – focuses on some of the most significant bills of the session. This list has the virtue of comparing House and Senate members equally: for this shorter list, we only rated a small set of bills that made it through both the House and the Senate.

In Section IV, we award a special distinction to those legislators with the highest final scores – the ones who expressed the most fidelity to the fourteen values we measured through legislative voting records – by designating

them “Friends of Freedom.” (Appropriate labels for legislators who did not score as highly are probably best left as an exercise for the reader.) We grant awards to those at the top tier of both our Freedom Rating and our 20/20 Rating. We also list the recipients of AAI’s Legislator of the Year Award: the legislators who seized the opportunity to write policies into law that were of special interest to AAI’s managers and members.

Notably, this guide does not judge any particular vote or voting record as ultimately “good” or “bad.” You, the reader, will have to decide whether our advocacy of free markets, lower taxes, individual responsibility, and limited and transparent government reflects your own values. *To emphasize, this document is far from an absolute measure of any legislator’s merit; it certainly does not constitute an endorsement or anything like an endorsement.* It is intended to be a tool for academic research and public accountability, so that the public can better understand the choices made by their elected representatives.

Not all bills that the House voted on made it to the Senate floor, and not all bills that the Senate voted on made it to the House floor. *Because of this, Freedom Ratings are not designed to present a meaningful comparison between members of the House and Senate. That is, you can compare the Freedom Ratings of two House members or two Senators, but you shouldn’t use the Freedom Rating to compare a House member with a Senator.* More generally, we have avoided the temptation to assign letter grades, or something similar, to various scores. The numbers that are provided are not absolute measures of quality; rather, they are best used to compare one legislator to another.

All legislators face significant challenges. They are required to read, understand, and vote on thousands of bills over the course of a legislative session, while being burdened with other duties, in the face of extraordinary time pressures. We may disagree with the choices that legislators make, but we respect the burdens of the job they perform.

Freedom Rating

The overall final scores listed below show how often legislators voted in favor of criminal justice, efficiency in government, fair elections, freedom of information, health care, higher education, individual freedom, integrity in government, lawsuit reform, occupational freedom, school reform, Second Amendment rights, smaller government, and tax and budget relief. We sorted the legislators in each body by the final score, so that the legislators whose final score is most consistent with these values are at the top of each list. For more information on the calculation of these scores, see “Notes on Methodology” below.

| Legislator | Final Score |
|--------------------|-------------|
| SENATE | |
| Sen. Clark | 76 |
| Sen. Flippo | 75 |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | 74 |
| Sen. Cooper | 74 |
| Sen. Bledsoe | 73 |
| Sen. Irvin | 73 |
| Sen. B. Johnson | 73 |
| Sen. Rapert | 73 |
| Sen. Caldwell | 72 |
| Sen. Rice | 72 |
| Sen. Hendren | 71 |
| Sen. Sanders | 71 |
| Sen. Hester | 70 |
| Sen. Hickey | 70 |
| Sen. Williams | 70 |
| Sen. Stubblefield | 69 |
| Sen. Dismang | 68 |
| Sen. Woods | 68 |
| Sen. English | 67 |
| Sen. Files | 67 |
| Sen. Sample | 66 |
| Sen. King | 65 |
| Sen. Pierce | 64 |
| Sen. Hutchinson | 63 |
| Sen. Ingram | 62 |
| Sen. Teague | 62 |
| Sen. Burnett | 61 |
| Sen. Cheatham | 61 |
| Sen. Maloch | 61 |
| Sen. Lindsey | 59 |
| Sen. Elliott | 57 |
| Sen. Chesterfield | 54 |
| Sen. Flowers | 54 |
| Sen. D. Johnson | 54 |
| HOUSE | |
| Rep. Collins | 90 |
| Rep. D. Meeks | 89 |
| Rep. Bell | 87 |
| Rep. Richmond | 86 |
| Rep. Scott | 86 |
| Rep. B. Smith | 86 |
| Rep. Ballinger | 85 |
| Rep. Gates | 85 |
| Rep. G. Hodges | 85 |

| Legislator | Final Score |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Rep. Sullivan | 85 |
| Rep. Bentley | 84 |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | 84 |
| Rep. Petty | 84 |
| Rep. Beck | 83 |
| Rep. Brown | 83 |
| Rep. Dotson | 83 |
| Rep. C. Fite | 83 |
| Rep. Wallace | 83 |
| Rep. L. Fite | 82 |
| Rep. Hammer | 82 |
| Rep. Henderson | 82 |
| Rep. Copeland | 81 |
| Rep. Davis | 81 |
| Rep. Holcomb | 81 |
| Rep. Lemons | 81 |
| Rep. Bragg | 80 |
| Rep. Eads | 80 |
| Rep. S. Meeks | 80 |
| Rep. Rushing | 80 |
| Rep. Shepherd | 80 |
| Rep. Tosh | 80 |
| Rep. Della Rosa | 79 |
| Rep. Lowery | 79 |
| Rep. Lundstrum | 79 |
| Rep. Payton | 79 |
| Rep. Gonzales | 78 |
| Rep. Jean | 78 |
| Rep. McNair | 78 |
| Rep. Pitsch | 78 |
| Rep. Sorvillo | 78 |
| Rep. Vaught | 78 |
| Rep. Womack | 78 |
| Rep. Boyd | 77 |
| Rep. Cozart | 77 |
| Rep. Harris | 77 |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | 77 |
| Rep. D. Douglas | 76 |
| Rep. House | 76 |
| Rep. Linck | 76 |
| Rep. Branscum | 75 |
| Rep. Drown | 75 |
| Rep. Gossage | 75 |
| Rep. C. Douglas | 74 |
| Rep. Farrer | 74 |

| Legislator | Final Score |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Rep. Speaks | 74 |
| Rep. Wardlaw | 73 |
| Rep. K. Hendren | 72 |
| Rep. Miller | 72 |
| Rep. Baine | 71 |
| Rep. Eaves | 71 |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | 70 |
| Rep. Eubanks | 69 |
| Rep. Neal | 69 |
| Rep. Sturch | 69 |
| Rep. Talley | 69 |
| Rep. Jett | 68 |
| Rep. Magie | 68 |
| Rep. Baltz | 67 |
| Rep. McElroy | 67 |
| Rep. Ratliff | 67 |
| Rep. Vines | 67 |
| Rep. Hickerson | 66 |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | 65 |
| Rep. Michael Gray | 65 |
| Rep. Johnson | 65 |
| Rep. Bennett | 64 |
| Rep. Tucker | 64 |
| Rep. Nicks | 63 |
| Rep. Ladyman | 62 |
| Rep. Richey | 62 |
| Rep. Hillman | 61 |
| Rep. Leding | 61 |
| Rep. Sabin | 60 |
| Rep. Blake | 59 |
| Rep. M. Hodges | 57 |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | 57 |
| Rep. Lampkin | 54 |
| Rep. Broadaway | 53 |
| Rep. Flowers | 53 |
| Rep. B. Overbey | 52 |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | 51 |
| Rep. Wright | 51 |
| Rep. G. McGill | 46 |
| Rep. Murdock | 46 |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | 44 |
| Rep. Love | 43 |
| Rep. C. Armstrong | 42 |
| Rep. Walker | 42 |
| Rep. Fielding | 37 |

20/20 Rating

Our 20/20 Rating, like our Freedom Rating, measures legislative votes. However, it only examines a relatively small number of votes: namely, 20 different votes that were cast during the 2015 session. Those 20 bills are a representative sample of the roughly 100 bills that we based the Freedom Rating on. Unlike the Freedom Rating, however, we only used bills that both legislative chambers voted on; therefore, scores between the two chambers are comparable. The maximum 20/20 rating is 100 points; legislators received 5 points for each vote in favor of bills that advanced freedom and good government, or for each vote against bills that held back freedom and good government.

| Legislator | Final Score |
|--------------------|-------------|
| Rep. Bentley | 100 |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | 100 |
| Rep. Dotson | 100 |
| Rep. Ballinger | 95 |
| Rep. Bell | 95 |
| Sen. Clark | 95 |
| Rep. Collins | 95 |
| Rep. Copeland | 95 |
| Sen. Flippo | 95 |
| Rep. Petty | 95 |
| Sen. Rice | 95 |
| Sen. Caldwell | 90 |
| Sen. Cooper | 90 |
| Rep. Eaves | 90 |
| Rep. Gonzales | 90 |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | 90 |
| Rep. Harris | 90 |
| Sen. Hickey | 90 |
| Sen. Irvin | 90 |
| Sen. B. Johnson | 90 |
| Rep. Lundstrum | 90 |
| Rep. D. Meeks | 90 |
| Rep. S. Meeks | 90 |
| Rep. Richmond | 90 |
| Rep. Shepherd | 90 |
| Rep. Speaks | 90 |
| Sen. Stubblefield | 90 |
| Rep. Sullivan | 90 |
| Sen. Bledsoe | 85 |
| Rep. Brown | 85 |
| Rep. Davis | 85 |
| Rep. C. Fite | 85 |
| Rep. Gates | 85 |
| Sen. Hendren | 85 |
| Sen. Hester | 85 |
| Rep. G. Hodges | 85 |
| Rep. House | 85 |
| Rep. Payton | 85 |
| Sen. Rapert | 85 |
| Sen. Sanders | 85 |
| Rep. Scott | 85 |
| Rep. B. Smith | 85 |
| Rep. Wallace | 85 |
| Rep. Boyd | 80 |
| Rep. Bragg | 80 |

| Legislator | Final Score |
|------------------|-------------|
| Rep. Cozart | 80 |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | 80 |
| Rep. Della Rosa | 80 |
| Rep. D. Douglas | 80 |
| Rep. Drown | 80 |
| Sen. English | 80 |
| Rep. Eubanks | 80 |
| Rep. L. Fite | 80 |
| Rep. Jean | 80 |
| Rep. Lowery | 80 |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | 80 |
| Rep. Pitsch | 80 |
| Rep. Ratliff | 80 |
| Rep. Sorvillo | 80 |
| Rep. Tosh | 80 |
| Rep. Vaught | 80 |
| Rep. Womack | 80 |
| Rep. Beck | 75 |
| Rep. C. Douglas | 75 |
| Rep. Eads | 75 |
| Sen. Files | 75 |
| Rep. Gossage | 75 |
| Rep. Hammer | 75 |
| Rep. Henderson | 75 |
| Rep. K. Hendren | 75 |
| Rep. Lemons | 75 |
| Rep. Neal | 75 |
| Sen. Pierce | 75 |
| Rep. Rushing | 75 |
| Sen. Sample | 75 |
| Rep. Sturch | 75 |
| Rep. Wardlaw | 75 |
| Sen. Williams | 75 |
| Rep. Branscum | 70 |
| Sen. Cheatham | 70 |
| Sen. Dismang | 70 |
| Rep. Holcomb | 70 |
| Sen. King | 70 |
| Rep. Linck | 70 |
| Rep. McElroy | 70 |
| Rep. McNair | 70 |
| Sen. Woods | 70 |
| Rep. Baine | 65 |
| Rep. Baltz | 65 |
| Sen. Burnett | 65 |

| Legislator | Final Score |
|-------------------|-------------|
| Rep. Farrer | 65 |
| Sen. Hutchinson | 65 |
| Rep. Johnson | 65 |
| Rep. Magie | 65 |
| Sen. Maloch | 65 |
| Rep. Miller | 65 |
| Rep. Vines | 65 |
| Rep. Bennett | 60 |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | 60 |
| Rep. Hillman | 60 |
| Sen. Ingram | 60 |
| Rep. Ladyman | 60 |
| Rep. Leding | 60 |
| Sen. Lindsey | 60 |
| Rep. Nicks | 60 |
| Sen. Teague | 60 |
| Sen. Chesterfield | 55 |
| Sen. Elliott | 55 |
| Sen. Flowers | 55 |
| Rep. Michael Gray | 55 |
| Rep. Hickerson | 55 |
| Rep. Jett | 55 |
| Rep. G. McGill | 55 |
| Rep. Murdock | 55 |
| Rep. Sabin | 55 |
| Rep. Talley | 55 |
| Rep. M. Hodges | 50 |
| Sen. D. Johnson | 50 |
| Rep. Lampkin | 50 |
| Rep. B. Overbey | 50 |
| Rep. Richey | 50 |
| Rep. Tucker | 50 |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | 50 |
| Rep. Fielding | 45 |
| Rep. Flowers | 45 |
| Rep. Wright | 45 |
| Rep. Blake | 40 |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | 40 |
| Rep. Walker | 40 |
| Rep. Broadway | 35 |
| Rep. C. Armstrong | 30 |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | 30 |
| Rep. Love | 30 |

II – Table of Subscores

The subscore percentages for legislators are listed below: each subscore percentage is derived from the subscore for each category. The basis for each subscore is described in more detail in the following sections: each legislator was awarded a point whenever he or she voted for a bill that advanced the values of one of our categories – or refrained from voting for a bill that diminished those values. This method of scoring created different maximum scores for the House and the Senate, and (in some cases) created different maximum subscores for the two bodies in some cases.

Legislation is notoriously complex. It is beyond the scope of this report to supply extensive and detailed accounts of each bill used to calculate legislators’ final scores. In addition to the raw vote tables we supplied, we provide a brief description of each bill below. (Although many of these bills were signed into law and thus received Act numbers, for ease of nomenclature we used the bill numbers as originally assigned.) When there were multiple floor votes on a bill, we used the version of the bill that we believe most cleanly illustrated the value that the subscore attempts to measure. The full text of each bill is available at the Arkansas General Assembly’s website (arkleg.state.ar.us).

| Legislator | Total Score Crime | Total Score Efficiency in Government | Total Score Fair Elections | Total Score Freedom of Information | Total Score Health Care | Total Score Higher Education | Total Score Individual Freedom | Total Score Integrity in Government | Total Score Smaller Government | Total Score Lawsuit Reform | Total Score Occupational Freedom | Total Score School Reform | Total Score Second Amendment | Total Score Tax & Budget |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | 100% | 80% | 80% | 75% | 100% | 100% | 57% | 57% | 44% | 100% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Burnett | 86% | 100% | 60% | 75% | 71% | 86% | 29% | 43% | 22% | 75% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 33% |
| Sen. Caldwell | 86% | 100% | 80% | 75% | 86% | 100% | 71% | 57% | 44% | 100% | 100% | 67% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Cheatham | 100% | 100% | 60% | 75% | 57% | 86% | 43% | 43% | 33% | 50% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 0% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | 86% | 100% | 40% | 63% | 57% | 86% | 43% | 43% | 44% | 50% | 88% | 50% | 67% | 0% |
| Sen. Clark | 86% | 100% | 80% | 75% | 86% | 86% | 100% | 57% | 67% | 100% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | 86% | 100% | 80% | 63% | 100% | 100% | 71% | 71% | 44% | 100% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Cooper | 100% | 100% | 80% | 75% | 100% | 100% | 57% | 57% | 44% | 100% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Dismang | 100% | 100% | 60% | 75% | 71% | 86% | 57% | 57% | 56% | 100% | 88% | 67% | 83% | 100% |
| Sen. Elliott | 86% | 80% | 60% | 75% | 71% | 86% | 43% | 43% | 44% | 50% | 88% | 50% | 83% | 0% |
| Sen. English | 100% | 100% | 60% | 75% | 71% | 100% | 71% | 71% | 44% | 50% | 88% | 83% | 83% | 33% |
| Sen. Files | 71% | 100% | 80% | 75% | 57% | 71% | 71% | 57% | 33% | 100% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Flippo | 100% | 100% | 80% | 75% | 86% | 100% | 71% | 57% | 56% | 100% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Flowers | 86% | 60% | 40% | 75% | 57% | 71% | 57% | 43% | 67% | 75% | 100% | 50% | 17% | 0% |
| Sen. Hendren | 100% | 100% | 80% | 75% | 71% | 100% | 57% | 57% | 44% | 100% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 67% |
| Sen. Hester | 71% | 80% | 80% | 75% | 86% | 86% | 71% | 43% | 56% | 100% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Hickey | 86% | 100% | 60% | 75% | 86% | 100% | 71% | 57% | 33% | 100% | 100% | 67% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | 100% | 100% | 60% | 75% | 71% | 86% | 43% | 43% | 33% | 50% | 100% | 67% | 100% | 67% |
| Sen. Ingram | 100% | 100% | 60% | 75% | 57% | 86% | 29% | 43% | 33% | 100% | 100% | 67% | 100% | 33% |
| Sen. Irvin | 100% | 80% | 60% | 88% | 100% | 100% | 57% | 57% | 56% | 75% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | 86% | 100% | 80% | 75% | 86% | 100% | 71% | 71% | 33% | 100% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | 86% | 80% | 60% | 63% | 43% | 86% | 43% | 43% | 33% | 50% | 88% | 50% | 83% | 33% |
| Sen. King | 71% | 100% | 60% | 75% | 100% | 71% | 57% | 57% | 33% | 50% | 100% | 67% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Lindsey | 86% | 100% | 60% | 75% | 71% | 86% | 29% | 43% | 33% | 50% | 100% | 67% | 83% | 33% |
| Sen. Maloch | 100% | 80% | 60% | 75% | 71% | 86% | 43% | 43% | 33% | 50% | 100% | 67% | 100% | 33% |
| Sen. Pierce | 100% | 100% | 60% | 75% | 57% | 100% | 43% | 43% | 44% | 50% | 100% | 67% | 100% | 67% |
| Sen. Rapert | 100% | 100% | 80% | 75% | 71% | 100% | 57% | 71% | 56% | 75% | 88% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Rice | 86% | 100% | 80% | 50% | 86% | 100% | 71% | 71% | 56% | 75% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Sample | 86% | 100% | 60% | 75% | 86% | 86% | 29% | 57% | 44% | 100% | 88% | 67% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Sanders | 100% | 100% | 60% | 75% | 71% | 100% | 71% | 43% | 56% | 100% | 100% | 83% | 83% | 100% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | 86% | 100% | 80% | 75% | 100% | 100% | 43% | 43% | 44% | 50% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 67% |
| Sen. Teague | 100% | 100% | 80% | 88% | 57% | 86% | 43% | 43% | 33% | 50% | 88% | 67% | 100% | 33% |
| Sen. Williams | 100% | 80% | 80% | 63% | 86% | 100% | 57% | 71% | 33% | 100% | 100% | 67% | 100% | 100% |
| Sen. Woods | 100% | 80% | 60% | 75% | 86% | 100% | 57% | 43% | 33% | 75% | 100% | 83% | 100% | 100% |

II – Table of Subscores

| Legislator | Total Score Crime | Total Score Efficiency in Government | Total Score Fair Elections | Total Score Freedom of Information | Total Score Health Care | Total Score Higher Education | Total Score Individual Freedom | Total Score Integrity in Government | Total Score Smaller Government | Total Score Lawsuit Reform | Total Score Occupational Freedom | Total Score School Reform | Total Score Second Amendment | Total Score Tax & Budget |
|--------------------|-------------------|--------------------------------------|----------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|---------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | 71% | 40% | 25% | 63% | 43% | 38% | 11% | 40% | 42% | 67% | 67% | 0% | 50% | 0% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | 71% | 80% | 25% | 63% | 43% | 38% | 33% | 50% | 50% | 67% | 44% | 14% | 25% | 0% |
| Rep. Baine | 86% | 80% | 75% | 75% | 57% | 75% | 56% | 60% | 50% | 100% | 100% | 71% | 75% | 60% |
| Rep. Ballinger | 86% | 100% | 75% | 63% | 100% | 75% | 78% | 70% | 83% | 100% | 89% | 86% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Baltz | 100% | 80% | 50% | 88% | 57% | 75% | 44% | 50% | 50% | 100% | 78% | 43% | 100% | 40% |
| Rep. Beck | 100% | 100% | 75% | 88% | 100% | 88% | 78% | 50% | 67% | 67% | 78% | 100% | 88% | 80% |
| Rep. Bell | 71% | 80% | 100% | 88% | 86% | 75% | 78% | 70% | 75% | 100% | 89% | 100% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Bennett | 86% | 100% | 50% | 75% | 57% | 75% | 11% | 60% | 58% | 100% | 78% | 71% | 63% | 40% |
| Rep. Bentley | 100% | 100% | 75% | 88% | 100% | 75% | 67% | 70% | 58% | 100% | 89% | 86% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Blake | 86% | 80% | 50% | 75% | 57% | 50% | 11% | 50% | 50% | 100% | 89% | 71% | 38% | 20% |
| Rep. Boyd | 100% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 86% | 88% | 56% | 50% | 58% | 100% | 100% | 86% | 75% | 60% |
| Rep. Bragg | 86% | 100% | 75% | 88% | 57% | 88% | 67% | 60% | 50% | 67% | 100% | 86% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Branscum | 71% | 100% | 75% | 88% | 71% | 75% | 56% | 70% | 42% | 67% | 78% | 71% | 100% | 80% |
| Rep. Broadway | 86% | 80% | 25% | 88% | 57% | 63% | 44% | 60% | 42% | 67% | 56% | 29% | 25% | 20% |
| Rep. Brown | 100% | 80% | 75% | 88% | 71% | 88% | 67% | 70% | 58% | 100% | 100% | 86% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Collins | 100% | 100% | 75% | 88% | 71% | 75% | 78% | 70% | 92% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Copeland | 86% | 80% | 75% | 88% | 86% | 88% | 78% | 60% | 58% | 100% | 89% | 57% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Cozart | 86% | 100% | 75% | 75% | 71% | 88% | 44% | 70% | 58% | 100% | 67% | 71% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Davis | 71% | 100% | 100% | 63% | 71% | 88% | 78% | 60% | 83% | 33% | 78% | 86% | 100% | 80% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | 71% | 80% | 50% | 88% | 43% | 75% | 67% | 60% | 58% | 33% | 78% | 71% | 88% | 80% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | 100% | 80% | 50% | 88% | 86% | 88% | 67% | 70% | 58% | 67% | 89% | 100% | 100% | 60% |
| Rep. Dotson | 71% | 80% | 100% | 88% | 100% | 75% | 67% | 50% | 67% | 100% | 89% | 86% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | 71% | 100% | 75% | 50% | 100% | 75% | 89% | 50% | 58% | 67% | 78% | 43% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | 100% | 100% | 100% | 75% | 71% | 100% | 44% | 60% | 50% | 100% | 100% | 71% | 88% | 60% |
| Rep. Drown | 100% | 100% | 50% | 75% | 100% | 50% | 56% | 60% | 58% | 100% | 89% | 57% | 100% | 60% |
| Rep. Eads | 86% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 71% | 75% | 56% | 70% | 58% | 67% | 100% | 86% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Eaves | 100% | 80% | 50% | 75% | 100% | 50% | 44% | 40% | 67% | 100% | 78% | 86% | 63% | 100% |
| Rep. Eubanks | 100% | 60% | 25% | 88% | 71% | 63% | 67% | 60% | 67% | 67% | 44% | 57% | 88% | 80% |
| Rep. Farrer | 86% | 40% | 75% | 75% | 43% | 63% | 56% | 70% | 83% | 100% | 67% | 86% | 75% | 100% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | 100% | 100% | 50% | 63% | 43% | 75% | 33% | 50% | 42% | 100% | 78% | 86% | 88% | 40% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | 71% | 100% | 25% | 63% | 57% | 63% | 22% | 50% | 17% | 100% | 78% | 29% | 38% | 0% |
| Rep. Fielding | 86% | 20% | 25% | 63% | 43% | 25% | 22% | 50% | 67% | 33% | 22% | 29% | 0% | 0% |
| Rep. C. Fite | 100% | 80% | 75% | 88% | 100% | 88% | 67% | 70% | 50% | 100% | 100% | 86% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. L. Fite | 100% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 86% | 88% | 56% | 70% | 50% | 100% | 89% | 86% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Flowers | 86% | 60% | 25% | 100% | 57% | 63% | 33% | 50% | 33% | 67% | 78% | 43% | 13% | 0% |
| Rep. Gates | 71% | 80% | 75% | 88% | 86% | 88% | 67% | 60% | 67% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Gonzales | 100% | 100% | 75% | 50% | 86% | 75% | 78% | 60% | 58% | 100% | 89% | 86% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Gossage | 100% | 80% | 75% | 75% | 71% | 75% | 67% | 50% | 67% | 67% | 78% | 71% | 88% | 80% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | 100% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 43% | 50% | 44% | 50% | 42% | 100% | 89% | 57% | 75% | 40% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | 100% | 80% | 50% | 88% | 100% | 75% | 67% | 70% | 58% | 100% | 100% | 86% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Hammer | 86% | 100% | 75% | 88% | 71% | 88% | 56% | 60% | 67% | 100% | 78% | 86% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Harris | 86% | 100% | 50% | 63% | 100% | 63% | 67% | 60% | 58% | 100% | 89% | 71% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Henderson | 100% | 80% | 50% | 75% | 86% | 88% | 67% | 60% | 58% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | 57% | 100% | 75% | 75% | 71% | 88% | 56% | 40% | 67% | 33% | 89% | 71% | 63% | 60% |
| Rep. Hickerson | 57% | 100% | 25% | 75% | 43% | 100% | 33% | 60% | 50% | 33% | 67% | 86% | 88% | 80% |
| Rep. Hillman | 100% | 100% | 50% | 63% | 43% | 88% | 44% | 60% | 25% | 100% | 78% | 43% | 75% | 60% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | 100% | 80% | 50% | 75% | 86% | 88% | 78% | 70% | 67% | 100% | 89% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | 100% | 80% | 25% | 88% | 57% | 75% | 33% | 30% | 50% | 67% | 67% | 57% | 38% | 20% |
| Rep. Holcomb | 100% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 100% | 100% | 33% | 60% | 58% | 100% | 89% | 71% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. House | 86% | 100% | 75% | 88% | 86% | 88% | 44% | 40% | 58% | 67% | 78% | 86% | 75% | 100% |
| Rep. Jean | 86% | 100% | 75% | 88% | 86% | 63% | 89% | 70% | 67% | 33% | 89% | 43% | 75% | 100% |

II – Table of Subscores

| Legislator | Total Score Crime | Total Score Efficiency in Government | Total Score Fair Elections | Total Score Freedom of Information | Total Score Health Care | Total Score Higher Education | Total Score Individual Freedom | Total Score Integrity in Government | Total Score Smaller Government | Total Score Lawsuit Reform | Total Score Occupational Freedom | Total Score School Reform | Total Score Second Amendment | Total Score Tax & Budget |
|------------------|----------------------|--|-------------------------------|--|----------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Rep. Jett | 100% | 80% | 50% | 75% | 57% | 75% | 44% | 60% | 50% | 67% | 89% | 57% | 100% | 40% |
| Rep. Johnson | 100% | 100% | 50% | 100% | 43% | 75% | 44% | 60% | 50% | 33% | 56% | 71% | 63% | 40% |
| Rep. Ladyman | 71% | 60% | 25% | 63% | 71% | 38% | 44% | 60% | 42% | 33% | 56% | 71% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Lampkin | 57% | 80% | 50% | 75% | 57% | 88% | 22% | 50% | 50% | 67% | 67% | 29% | 25% | 20% |
| Rep. Leding | 100% | 80% | 25% | 100% | 71% | 75% | 22% | 60% | 33% | 67% | 89% | 71% | 63% | 20% |
| Rep. Lemons | 100% | 80% | 50% | 100% | 86% | 75% | 56% | 70% | 67% | 100% | 78% | 86% | 100% | 80% |
| Rep. Linck | 71% | 80% | 50% | 88% | 71% | 50% | 67% | 60% | 75% | 67% | 67% | 100% | 100% | 60% |
| Rep. Love | 71% | 60% | 0% | 63% | 57% | 50% | 11% | 50% | 50% | 67% | 56% | 14% | 13% | 20% |
| Rep. Lowery | 71% | 100% | 75% | 88% | 57% | 100% | 67% | 80% | 58% | 100% | 67% | 71% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | 100% | 80% | 100% | 75% | 100% | 63% | 67% | 70% | 58% | 100% | 89% | 71% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Magie | 86% | 80% | 50% | 75% | 57% | 100% | 33% | 50% | 50% | 100% | 89% | 57% | 88% | 20% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | 86% | 80% | 100% | 88% | 86% | 88% | 56% | 60% | 42% | 100% | 100% | 71% | 88% | 60% |
| Rep. McElroy | 100% | 80% | 50% | 75% | 71% | 88% | 22% | 50% | 50% | 100% | 89% | 57% | 88% | 40% |
| Rep. G. McGill | 86% | 40% | 0% | 75% | 57% | 50% | 11% | 50% | 58% | 67% | 44% | 0% | 38% | 20% |
| Rep. McNair | 100% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 71% | 88% | 56% | 80% | 33% | 100% | 89% | 71% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | 86% | 80% | 50% | 88% | 100% | 75% | 78% | 70% | 83% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. S. Meeks | 100% | 100% | 50% | 75% | 86% | 88% | 67% | 50% | 75% | 67% | 89% | 71% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Miller | 86% | 60% | 75% | 63% | 57% | 88% | 67% | 80% | 50% | 67% | 67% | 57% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Murdock | 71% | 60% | 25% | 63% | 43% | 50% | 22% | 50% | 67% | 67% | 56% | 0% | 25% | 20% |
| Rep. Neal | 71% | 60% | 50% | 75% | 86% | 63% | 56% | 30% | 75% | 100% | 78% | 71% | 75% | 80% |
| Rep. Nicks | 100% | 100% | 25% | 75% | 57% | 88% | 22% | 50% | 42% | 67% | 78% | 100% | 50% | 20% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | 86% | 80% | 25% | 75% | 57% | 75% | 22% | 50% | 50% | 100% | 56% | 29% | 25% | 20% |
| Rep. Payton | 71% | 60% | 75% | 75% | 86% | 63% | 78% | 70% | 58% | 100% | 100% | 57% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Petty | 100% | 100% | 75% | 88% | 100% | 63% | 56% | 70% | 75% | 100% | 89% | 86% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Pitsch | 86% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 86% | 75% | 56% | 70% | 67% | 100% | 89% | 71% | 75% | 60% |
| Rep. Ratliff | 100% | 80% | 75% | 75% | 71% | 88% | 44% | 60% | 42% | 100% | 89% | 29% | 88% | 20% |
| Rep. Richey | 86% | 80% | 50% | 100% | 57% | 75% | 22% | 50% | 25% | 100% | 89% | 71% | 50% | 20% |
| Rep. Richmond | 100% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 100% | 88% | 67% | 70% | 67% | 100% | 100% | 86% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Rushing | 100% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 86% | 63% | 56% | 60% | 67% | 100% | 78% | 100% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Sabin | 86% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 57% | 75% | 22% | 50% | 42% | 67% | 67% | 71% | 50% | 20% |
| Rep. Scott | 100% | 100% | 100% | 88% | 86% | 100% | 56% | 70% | 67% | 100% | 100% | 71% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Shepherd | 86% | 100% | 75% | 88% | 71% | 88% | 78% | 80% | 42% | 100% | 89% | 71% | 100% | 60% |
| Rep. B. Smith | 100% | 80% | 50% | 88% | 100% | 88% | 78% | 70% | 58% | 100% | 100% | 86% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | 71% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 71% | 63% | 78% | 60% | 50% | 100% | 89% | 86% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Speaks | 86% | 100% | 75% | 88% | 71% | 88% | 44% | 60% | 58% | 100% | 44% | 86% | 100% | 60% |
| Rep. Sturch | 71% | 100% | 50% | 75% | 71% | 50% | 44% | 60% | 67% | 100% | 67% | 57% | 75% | 100% |
| Rep. Sullivan | 100% | 100% | 50% | 75% | 100% | 75% | 56% | 80% | 58% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Talley | 86% | 80% | 50% | 88% | 57% | 75% | 56% | 70% | 33% | 100% | 89% | 43% | 88% | 60% |
| Rep. Tosh | 100% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 100% | 75% | 56% | 70% | 50% | 100% | 78% | 71% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Tucker | 100% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 57% | 75% | 11% | 70% | 42% | 67% | 78% | 71% | 63% | 20% |
| Rep. Vaught | 86% | 100% | 75% | 75% | 100% | 63% | 78% | 50% | 58% | 100% | 67% | 86% | 88% | 100% |
| Rep. Vines | 86% | 80% | 50% | 75% | 57% | 75% | 44% | 60% | 50% | 100% | 67% | 57% | 88% | 60% |
| Rep. Walker | 71% | 80% | 0% | 88% | 57% | 50% | 22% | 30% | 42% | 67% | 56% | 14% | 0% | 0% |
| Rep. Wallace | 100% | 100% | 50% | 88% | 86% | 88% | 44% | 70% | 67% | 100% | 100% | 71% | 100% | 100% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | 71% | 80% | 25% | 63% | 71% | 75% | 89% | 50% | 75% | 100% | 89% | 43% | 88% | 80% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | 86% | 60% | 25% | 100% | 43% | 88% | 11% | 50% | 58% | 67% | 67% | 43% | 50% | 20% |
| Rep. Womack | 86% | 80% | 50% | 63% | 86% | 63% | 67% | 80% | 67% | 100% | 100% | 57% | 100% | 80% |
| Rep. Wright | 57% | 60% | 0% | 63% | 71% | 50% | 22% | 20% | 17% | 100% | 78% | 86% | 63% | 60% |

Criminal Justice

Protecting the innocent and punishing the guilty is a central function of state government. In 2015, legislators considered some bills to strengthen protections against the conviction of the innocent, such as HB 1805 (requires prompt disclosure by prosecutors of exculpatory crime lab reports) and SB 787 (allows the state police more leeway in not bringing baseless charges for child abuse). Two bills concerned minors and the law: HB 1322 (requires conviction before fingerprinting juvenile arrestees who are not guilty of any crime) and SB 161 (provides limited immunity for alcohol offenses when kids act responsibly during a medical emergency). Legislators also considered SB 227 (strengthens the statute on the criminal impersonation of law enforcement) and HB 1012 (gives victims more rights in capital punishment cases). HB 1240 provided Arkansans civil immunity when they protected themselves from criminal attacks. Supporting these bills earned legislators higher scores.

| Legislator | HB1322 | HB1240 | HB1012 | SB227 | SB161 | SB787 | HB1805 | Total Score Crime |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------------------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Burnett | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Caldwell | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Cheatham | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Clark | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Cooper | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Dismang | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Elliott | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. English | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Files | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Flippo | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Flowers | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hester | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 71% |
| Sen. Hickey | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Ingram | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Irvin | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. King | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Lindsey | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Maloch | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Pierce | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Rapert | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Rice | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Sample | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Sanders | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Teague | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Williams | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Woods | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |

| Legislator | HB1322 | HB1240 | HB1012 | SB227 | SB161 | SB787 | HB1805 | Total Score Crime |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------------------|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Baine | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Ballinger | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 86% |
| Rep. Baltz | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Beck | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Bell | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Bennett | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Bentley | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Blake | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Boyd | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Bragg | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Branscum | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 71% |
| Rep. Broadway | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Brown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Collins | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Copeland | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Cozart | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Davis | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Dotson | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Drown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Eads | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 86% |
| Rep. Eaves | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Eubanks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Farrer | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Fielding | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. C. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. L. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |

LEGEND: Y=Yes, N=No, NV=No Vote

Criminal Justice

| Legislator | HB1322 | HB1240 | HB1012 | SB227 | SB161 | SB787 | HB1805 | Total Score Crime |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------------------|
| Rep. Flowers | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Gates | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Gonzales | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Gossage | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Hammer | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Harris | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Henderson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | 57% |
| Rep. Hickerson | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Hillman | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Holcomb | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. House | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Jean | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Jett | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Ladyman | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 71% |
| Rep. Lampkin | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Leding | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Lemons | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Linck | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Love | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Lowery | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Magie | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. McElroy | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. G. McGill | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 86% |
| Rep. McNair | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 86% |

| Legislator | HB1322 | HB1240 | HB1012 | SB227 | SB161 | SB787 | HB1805 | Total Score Crime |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------------------|
| Rep. S. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Miller | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Murdock | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Neal | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Nicks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Payton | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Petty | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Pitsch | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Ratliff | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Richey | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Richmond | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Rushing | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sabin | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Scott | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Shepherd | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. B. Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Speaks | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Sturch | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Sullivan | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Talley | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Tosh | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Tucker | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Vaught | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Vines | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Walker | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Wallace | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Womack | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Wright | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | 57% |

LEGEND: Y=Yes, N=No, NV=No Vote

Efficiency in Government

The General Assembly considered several bills in 2015 aimed at making state and local governments work better. HB 1278 liberalizes government procurement requirements, while HB 1788 requires potential state government property lessors and purchasers to confirm that there is no property currently held by the state that will meet the lessor's or purchaser's needs. HB 1728 reduces unnecessary fingerprinting, while SB 204 blocks the attorney general from entering into certain contingency-fee arrangements with private attorneys; HB 1210 allows municipalities to contract for fire services. Legislators received higher scores when they voted to make state and local governments run more efficiently.

| Legislator | HB1728 | HB1278 | HB1788 | HB1210 | SB204 | Total Score Efficiency in Government |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--|
| Sen. Bledsoe | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Sen. Burnett | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Caldwell | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Cheatham | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Clark | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Cooper | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Dismang | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Elliott | Y | Y | Y | Y | P | 80% |
| Sen. English | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Files | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Flippo | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Flowers | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | 60% |
| Sen. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hester | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Sen. Hickey | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Ingram | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Irvin | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 80% |
| Sen. King | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Lindsey | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Maloch | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Sen. Pierce | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Rapert | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Rice | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Sample | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Sanders | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Teague | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Williams | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Sen. Woods | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |

| Legislator | HB1728 | HB1278 | HB1788 | HB1210 | SB204 | Total Score Efficiency in Government |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | 40% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Baine | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Rep. Ballinger | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Baltz | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Rep. Beck | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Bell | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Bennett | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Bentley | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Blake | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Boyd | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Bragg | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Branscum | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Broadaway | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Brown | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Collins | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Copeland | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Cozart | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Davis | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Rep. Dotson | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Drown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Eads | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Eaves | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Eubanks | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | 60% |
| Rep. Farrer | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | 40% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Fielding | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | 20% |
| Rep. C. Fite | Y | Y | P | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. L. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |

LEGEND: Y=Yes, N=No, NV=No Vote, P=Present

Efficiency in Government

| Legislator | HB1728 | HB1278 | HB1788 | HB1210 | SB204 | Total Score Efficiency in Government |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------------------------------------|
| Rep. Flowers | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Gates | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Rep. Gonzales | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Gossage | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | Y | P | Y | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Hammer | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Harris | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Henderson | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Hickerson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Hillman | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Rep. Holcomb | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. House | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Jean | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Jett | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Ladyman | Y | Y | NV | Y | P | 60% |
| Rep. Lampkin | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Leding | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Lemons | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Linck | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Rep. Love | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | 60% |
| Rep. Lowery | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Rep. Magie | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. McElroy | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. G. McGill | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | 40% |
| Rep. McNair | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |

| Legislator | HB1728 | HB1278 | HB1788 | HB1210 | SB204 | Total Score Efficiency in Government |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------------------------------------|
| Rep. S. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Miller | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Murdock | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Neal | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Nicks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Payton | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Petty | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Pitsch | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Ratliff | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Richey | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Richmond | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Rushing | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sabin | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Scott | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Shepherd | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. B. Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Speaks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sturch | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sullivan | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Talley | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Tosh | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Tucker | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Vaught | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Vines | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Walker | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Wallace | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | 60% |
| Rep. Womack | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Wright | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | 60% |

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Fair Elections

Legislators considered several proposals in 2015 that would improve the efficiency and fairness of elections. One bill (HB 1610) would end one-candidate elections, while another (HB 1687) would add clarity to the wording of ballot questions. A third bill (SB 862) would require disclosure of Medicaid contractors on statements of financial interest. Support for these bills earned legislators higher scores. Two bills, HB 1425 (intrudes on First Amendment rights by regulating independent expenditures as if they were campaign or candidate expenditures) and HJR 1027 (lessens political accountability by increasing length of county officials' terms), would make it harder for private citizens to exercise the duties of citizenship; legislators received lower scores for supporting them. Although the language that HJR 1027 proposed to clarify the state Constitution's rules about "infamous crimes" was praiseworthy, we ultimately decided that it did not outweigh the dilution of electoral accountability that it would create.

| Legislator | HB1610 | HB1687 | SB862 | HB1425 | HJR1027 | Total Score Fair Elections |
|--------------------|--------|--------|-------|--------|---------|-------------------------------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Sen. Burnett | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Sen. Caldwell | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | 80% |
| Sen. Cheatham | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 40% |
| Sen. Clark | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | 80% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Sen. Cooper | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Sen. Dismang | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | 60% |
| Sen. Elliott | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Sen. English | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | 60% |
| Sen. Files | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Sen. Flippo | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Sen. Flowers | N | Y | N | P | Y | 40% |
| Sen. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Sen. Hester | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Sen. Hickey | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | 60% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Sen. Ingram | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Sen. Irvin | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | 60% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Sen. King | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Sen. Lindsey | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Sen. Maloch | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Sen. Pierce | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Sen. Rapert | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Sen. Rice | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Sen. Sample | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Sen. Sanders | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Sen. Teague | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Sen. Williams | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Sen. Woods | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60% |

| Legislator | HB1610 | HB1687 | SB862 | HB1425 | HJR1027 | Total Score Fair Elections |
|-------------------|--------|--------|-------|--------|---------|-------------------------------|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | Y | NV | | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | NV | NV | | Y | NV | 25% |
| Rep. Baine | Y | Y | | Y | NV | 75% |
| Rep. Ballinger | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Baltz | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Beck | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Bell | Y | Y | | NV | N | 100% |
| Rep. Bennett | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Bentley | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Blake | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Boyd | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Bragg | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Branscum | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Broadway | NV | Y | | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Brown | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Collins | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Copeland | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Cozart | Y | Y | | N | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Davis | Y | Y | | NV | NV | 100% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | NV | Y | | N | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Dotson | Y | Y | | NV | NV | 100% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | Y | Y | | NV | NV | 100% |
| Rep. Drown | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Eads | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Eaves | Y | NV | | NV | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Eubanks | Y | NV | | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Farrer | Y | Y | | N | Y | 75% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | Y | NV | | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Fielding | NV | NV | | NV | Y | 25% |
| Rep. C. Fite | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. L. Fite | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |

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Fair Elections

| Legislator | HB1610 | HB1687 | SBS862 | HB1425 | HJR1027 | Total Score Fair Elections |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|-------------------------------|
| Rep. Flowers | Y | NV | | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Gates | Y | Y | | N | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Gonzales | Y | Y | | N | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Gossage | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Hammer | Y | Y | | N | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Harris | NV | Y | | N | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Henderson | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | NV | Y | | N | N | 75% |
| Rep. Hickerson | NV | Y | | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Hillman | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | NV | Y | | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Holcomb | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. House | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Jean | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Jett | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Johnson | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Ladyman | NV | NV | | N | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Lampkin | Y | NV | | NV | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Leding | Y | NV | | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Lemons | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Linck | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Love | NV | NV | | Y | Y | 0% |
| Rep. Lowery | Y | Y | | N | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | Y | Y | | NV | NV | 100% |
| Rep. Magie | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | Y | Y | | N | P | 100% |
| Rep. McElroy | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. G. McGill | NV | NV | | Y | Y | 0% |
| Rep. McNair | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |

| Legislator | HB1610 | HB1687 | SBS862 | HB1425 | HJR1027 | Total Score Fair Elections |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|---------|-------------------------------|
| Rep. S. Meeks | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Miller | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Murdock | NV | NV | | NV | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Neal | Y | NV | | NV | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Nicks | NV | Y | | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | Y | NV | | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Payton | Y | Y | | N | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Petty | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Pitsch | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Ratliff | Y | Y | | Y | NV | 75% |
| Rep. Richey | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Richmond | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Rushing | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Sabin | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Scott | Y | Y | | NV | NV | 100% |
| Rep. Shepherd | Y | Y | | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. B. Smith | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Speaks | Y | Y | | N | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Sturch | Y | NV | | NV | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Sullivan | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Talley | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Tosh | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Tucker | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Vaught | Y | Y | | Y | NV | 75% |
| Rep. Vines | Y | NV | | NV | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Walker | NV | N | | Y | Y | 0% |
| Rep. Wallace | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | Y | NV | | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | Y | NV | | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Womack | Y | NV | | N | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Wright | NV | NV | | Y | Y | 0% |

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Freedom of Information

Citizens are entitled to know what their government is doing. Legislators proposed a number of bills in 2015 that enhance citizens' freedom of information rights. These include SB 617 (makes data about recidivism and the inmate population transparent), HB 1727 (allows public access to certain criminal records), HB 1163 (ensures that government employees are not disciplined for using the Freedom of Information Act), SB 481 (requires government entities to report automobile towing rates), HB 1542 (requires higher education institutions to report tuition and mandatory fees), SB 310 (extends reporting requirements for state agencies and higher-education institutions), and HB 1984 (increases penalties for public officials who unlawfully participate in an executive session). Legislators received higher scores for supporting these bills, but were penalized for supporting two bills that would exempt information from public disclosure -- HB 1941 (exempts advertising and promotion tax records from the scope of the state Freedom of Information Act) and SB 615 (exempts school security plans from the scope of the state Freedom of Information Act). Notably, SB 615 provides no method of government oversight that might substitute for the benefits of the possibility of public scrutiny of security plans; if it had, our rating decision on this bill might have been different.

| Legislator | SB617 | HB1727 | HB1163 | SB481 | HB1542 | SB310 | HB1984 | SB615 | HB1941 | Total Score Freedom of Information |
|--------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|------------------------------------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Burnett | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Caldwell | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Cheatham | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 63% |
| Sen. Clark | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 63% |
| Sen. Cooper | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Dismang | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Elliott | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. English | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Files | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Flippo | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Flowers | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | N | 75% |
| Sen. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Hester | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Hickey | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Ingram | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Irvin | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | N | 88% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | Y | Y | 63% |
| Sen. King | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Lindsey | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Maloch | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Pierce | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Rapert | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Rice | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 50% |
| Sen. Sample | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Sanders | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Teague | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | N | 88% |
| Sen. Williams | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 63% |
| Sen. Woods | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 75% |

| Legislator | SB617 | HB1727 | HB1163 | SB481 | HB1542 | SB310 | HB1984 | SB615 | HB1941 | Total Score Freedom of Information |
|-------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|------------------------------------|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | | NV | 63% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | | NV | 63% |
| Rep. Baine | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Ballinger | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Baltz | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Beck | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Bell | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Bennett | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Bentley | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Blake | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | | NV | 75% |
| Rep. Boyd | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Bragg | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Branscum | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Broadway | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | | NV | 88% |
| Rep. Brown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Collins | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Copeland | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Cozart | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | | NV | 75% |
| Rep. Davis | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | | N | 88% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Dotson | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | NV | 88% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | NV | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | | NV | 50% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Drown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Eads | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Eaves | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Eubanks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | | NV | 88% |
| Rep. Farrer | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 63% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Fielding | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | | Y | 63% |
| Rep. C. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. L. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |

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Freedom of Information

| Legislator | SB617 | HB1727 | HB1163 | SB481 | HB1542 | SB310 | HB1984 | SB615 | HB1941 | Total Score Freedom of Information |
|--------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|--|
| Rep. Flowers | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | | 100% |
| Rep. Gates | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 88% |
| Rep. Gonzales | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | | 50% |
| Rep. Gossage | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | 75% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 88% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 88% |
| Rep. Hammer | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 88% |
| Rep. Harris | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 63% |
| Rep. Henderson | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 75% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 75% |
| Rep. Hickerson | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | | 75% |
| Rep. Hillman | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | | 63% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | 75% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | | 88% |
| Rep. Holcomb | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 88% |
| Rep. House | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 88% |
| Rep. Jean | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 88% |
| Rep. Jett | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | | 75% |
| Rep. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | | 100% |
| Rep. Ladyman | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | NV | | 63% |
| Rep. Lampkin | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | | 75% |
| Rep. Leding | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | | 100% |
| Rep. Lemons | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | | 100% |
| Rep. Linck | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | | 88% |
| Rep. Love | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | | 63% |
| Rep. Lowery | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 88% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 75% |
| Rep. Magie | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | 75% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 88% |
| Rep. McElroy | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | 75% |
| Rep. G. McGill | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | 75% |
| Rep. McNair | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 88% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 88% |

| Legislator | SB617 | HB1727 | HB1163 | SB481 | HB1542 | SB310 | HB1984 | SB615 | HB1941 | Total Score Freedom of Information |
|------------------|-------|--------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|--|
| Rep. S. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Miller | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Murdock | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Neal | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Nicks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | | NV | 75% |
| Rep. Payton | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Petty | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Pitsch | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Ratliff | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Richey | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | NV | 100% |
| Rep. Richmond | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Rushing | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Sabin | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | | NV | 88% |
| Rep. Scott | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Shepherd | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. B. Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Speaks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Sturch | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Sullivan | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Talley | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | | NV | 88% |
| Rep. Tosh | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Tucker | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | NV | 88% |
| Rep. Vaught | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Vines | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Walker | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | N | 88% |
| Rep. Wallace | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | N | NV | | N | 63% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | NV | 100% |
| Rep. Womack | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | | NV | 63% |
| Rep. Wright | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | | NV | 63% |

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Health Care

Implementation of the Affordable Care Act, or Obamacare, has consistently been a high-profile health care issue in Arkansas. In particular, the debate over the “private option” (Arkansas’s version of Medicaid expansion) has regularly occupied the General Assembly. In 2015, legislators gained higher scores by supporting bills to end the private option (SB 312) and to notify private-option recipients of the program’s end date (HB 1363). Other bills attempted to improve health care in Arkansas by lowering barriers to the use of telemedicine (HB 1747), repealing the requirement of a pharmacist-patient relationship for a pharmacist to provide ephedrine (HB 1466), deregulating concierge care arrangements (HB 1161), giving some patients the right to try experimental medical treatments (SB 4), and establishing more prescriptive authority for some nurses and physicians’ assistants (HB 1136). Legislators gained higher scores by supporting these bills, but received a lower score if they supported the creation of a gigantic database containing Arkansans’ private medical information (SB 956).

| Legislator | HB1747 | HB1466 | HB1161 | SB4 | SB312 | HB1563 | HB1136 | SB956 | Total Score Health Care |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------------------------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 100% |
| Sen. Burnett | | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Caldwell | | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | 86% |
| Sen. Cheatham | | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Clark | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 100% |
| Sen. Cooper | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 100% |
| Sen. Dismang | | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | NV | 71% |
| Sen. Elliott | | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | NV | 71% |
| Sen. English | | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Files | | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Flippo | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Flowers | | Y | Y | Y | NV | P | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Hendren | | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Hester | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Hickey | | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | NV | 86% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | NV | 71% |
| Sen. Ingram | | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Irvin | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 100% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | | Y | Y | NV | N | N | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. King | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 100% |
| Sen. Lindsey | | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | NV | 71% |
| Sen. Maloch | | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | NV | 71% |
| Sen. Pierce | | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Rapert | | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Rice | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Sample | | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Sen. Sanders | | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 100% |
| Sen. Teague | | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Williams | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Woods | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |

| Legislator | HB1747 | HB1466 | HB1161 | SB4 | SB312 | HB1563 | HB1136 | SB956 | Total Score Health Care |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------------------------|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | N | NV | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 43% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | NV | NV | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 43% |
| Rep. Baine | N | Y | Y | Y | | P | P | NV | 57% |
| Rep. Ballinger | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | NV | 100% |
| Rep. Baltz | N | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Beck | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | N | 100% |
| Rep. Bell | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Bennett | N | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Bentley | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | N | 100% |
| Rep. Blake | NV | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Boyd | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Bragg | NV | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Branscum | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Broadway | NV | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Brown | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Collins | Y | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Copeland | Y | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Cozart | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Davis | Y | Y | NV | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | NV | Y | NV | NV | | Y | NV | N | 43% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | Y | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Dotson | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | NV | 100% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | P | 100% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | N | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Drown | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | N | 100% |
| Rep. Eads | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Eaves | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | NV | 100% |
| Rep. Eubanks | Y | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Farrer | NV | NV | Y | Y | | Y | NV | Y | 43% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | N | Y | NV | Y | | N | Y | Y | 43% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | NV | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Fielding | NV | Y | Y | Y | | N | NV | Y | 43% |
| Rep. C. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | NV | 100% |
| Rep. L. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |

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Health Care

| Legislator | HB1747 | HB1466 | HB1161 | SB4 | SB312 | HB1363 | HB1136 | SB956 | Total Score Health Care |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------------------------|
| Rep. Flowers | NV | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Gates | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Gonzales | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | NV | NV | 86% |
| Rep. Gossage | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | NV | NV | Y | Y | | NV | Y | Y | 43% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | N | 100% |
| Rep. Hammer | Y | Y | Y | NV | | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Harris | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | N | 100% |
| Rep. Henderson | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | NV | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | N | 71% |
| Rep. Hickerson | NV | Y | NV | Y | | NV | Y | Y | 43% |
| Rep. Hillman | NV | Y | NV | Y | | N | Y | Y | 43% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | NV | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Holcomb | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | NV | 100% |
| Rep. House | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Jean | Y | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Jett | N | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Johnson | NV | NV | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 43% |
| Rep. Ladyman | NV | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | N | 71% |
| Rep. Lampkin | N | Y | Y | Y | | NV | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Leding | Y | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Lemons | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Linck | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Love | NV | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Lowery | P | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | NV | 100% |
| Rep. Magie | N | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. McElroy | N | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | NV | 71% |
| Rep. G. McGill | N | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. McNair | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | N | 100% |

| Legislator | HB1747 | HB1466 | HB1161 | SB4 | SB312 | HB1363 | HB1136 | SB956 | Total Score Health Care |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------------------------|
| Rep. S. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Miller | Y | NV | NV | Y | | Y | NV | N | 57% |
| Rep. Murdock | NV | NV | NV | Y | | N | Y | NV | 43% |
| Rep. Neal | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Nicks | NV | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | N | Y | Y | Y | | NV | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Payton | Y | Y | Y | NV | | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Petty | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | NV | 100% |
| Rep. Pitsch | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Ratliff | N | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | NV | 71% |
| Rep. Richey | N | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Richmond | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | N | 100% |
| Rep. Rushing | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Sabin | NV | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Scott | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Shepherd | N | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. B. Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | N | 100% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | P | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Speaks | P | Y | Y | Y | | Y | N | N | 71% |
| Rep. Sturch | N | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Sullivan | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | N | 100% |
| Rep. Talley | N | Y | Y | Y | | NV | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Tosh | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | N | 100% |
| Rep. Tucker | NV | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Vaught | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | NV | 100% |
| Rep. Vines | N | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Walker | N | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Wallace | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | N | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | NV | 71% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | N | NV | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 43% |
| Rep. Womack | Y | Y | Y | Y | | NV | Y | NV | 86% |
| Rep. Wright | Y | Y | Y | Y | | N | Y | Y | 71% |

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Higher Education

The 2015 legislative session saw many proposals to reform higher education. Some proposals that we monitored would allow private schools to participate in the statewide transfer agreement (HB 1347), prevent bundling of course costs into tuition and fees (HB 1734), and require all accreditation agencies to be recognized by the U.S. Department of Education (SB 1038). Three bills reformed lottery scholarships by encouraging its solvency through increased payments to good students over time (SB 5); ending payments to students who do not graduate expeditiously (HB 1779); and giving students flexibility in scheduling their receipt of lottery scholarship payments (HB 1011). Another bill created accountability for the state lottery by transferring its administration into the executive branch (SB 7). One notable bill would mandate transparency for state higher education institutions by reporting employment and earnings status of their graduates (SB 211). Legislators earned higher scores by supporting these bills.

| Legislator | HB1347 | HB1734 | SB1038 | SB5 | HB1779 | SB7 | SB211 | HB1011 | Total Score Higher Education |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----|--------|-----|-------|---------|------------------------------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Burnett | Y | | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Caldwell | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Cheatham | Y | | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | Y | | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Clark | Y | | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Cooper | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Dismang | Y | | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Elliott | Y | | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. English | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Files | Y | | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Flippo | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Flowers | Y | | Y | N | N | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Hendren | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hester | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Excused | 86% |
| Sen. Hickey | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | Y | | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Ingram | Y | | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Irvin | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | Y | | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. King | NV | | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Lindsey | Y | | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Maloch | Y | | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Pierce | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Rapert | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Rice | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Sample | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 86% |
| Sen. Sanders | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Teague | Y | | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 86% |
| Sen. Williams | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Woods | Y | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |

| Legislator | HB1347 | HB1734 | SB1038 | SB5 | HB1779 | SB7 | SB211 | HB1011 | Total Score Higher Education |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----|--------|-----|-------|--------|------------------------------|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | Y | NV | NV | N | NV | N | Y | Y | 38% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | NV | NV | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | P | 38% |
| Rep. Baine | Y | P | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Ballinger | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Baltz | Y | P | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Beck | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Bell | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Bennett | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Bentley | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Blake | Y | NV | Y | N | NV | P | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Boyd | Y | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Bragg | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Branscum | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Broadway | Y | N | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Brown | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Collins | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Copeland | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Cozart | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Davis | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Dotson | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Drown | N | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Eads | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Eaves | NV | Y | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Eubanks | NV | P | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Farrer | NV | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | Y | NV | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Fielding | Y | P | NV | N | NV | P | NV | Y | 25% |
| Rep. C. Fite | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. L. Fite | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |

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| Legislator | HB1347 | HB1734 | SB1038 | SB5 | HB1779 | SB7 | SB211 | HB1011 | Total Score Higher Education |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----|--------|-----|-------|--------|------------------------------|
| Rep. Flowers | Y | NV | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Gates | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Gonzales | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Gossage | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | Y | NV | NV | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Hammer | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Harris | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Henderson | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Hickerson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Hillman | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Holcomb | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. House | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Jean | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Jett | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Johnson | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Ladyman | NV | NV | N | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | 38% |
| Rep. Lampkin | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Leding | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Lemons | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Linck | NV | NV | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Love | Y | N | Y | N | NV | N | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Lowery | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Magie | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. McElroy | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 88% |
| Rep. G. McGill | Y | N | Y | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. McNair | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |

| Legislator | HB1347 | HB1734 | SB1038 | SB5 | HB1779 | SB7 | SB211 | HB1011 | Total Score Higher Education |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-----|--------|-----|-------|--------|------------------------------|
| Rep. S. Meeks | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Miller | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Murdock | Y | NV | Y | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Neal | NV | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Nicks | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Payton | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Petty | N | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Pitsch | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Ratliff | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Richey | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 75% |
| Rep. Richmond | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Rushing | Y | N | Y | P | NV | Y | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Sabin | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | 75% |
| Rep. Scott | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Shepherd | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. B. Smith | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Speaks | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Sturch | P | N | Y | P | NV | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Sullivan | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Talley | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Tosh | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Tucker | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Vaught | Y | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Vines | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Walker | Y | NV | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | 50% |
| Rep. Wallace | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | Y | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Womack | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Wright | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | NV | 50% |

LEGEND: Y=Yes, N=No, NV=No Vote, P=Present

Individual Freedom

What did Arkansas legislators do this session to expand – or restrict – individual liberty? The bill that received the most attention in this category was an Arkansas version of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act (HB 1228), which would provide greater protection for Arkansans’ religious liberty. Another bill we considered, SB 394 (increases public access to epinephrine and provides immunity for authorized distributors), would give Arkansans more freedom to use medicine. Other pro-freedom legislation clarified that an individual has the right to record public officials (HB 1669), allowed older minors to sell scrap metal (HB 1110), and eliminated time restrictions on opting out of a teachers’ union (HB 1957). Support for each of these bills earned higher scores for legislators. Other bills would have infringed on individual freedom, such as HB 1784 (makes using a handheld phone while driving in a school zone a primary offense), HB 1573 (expands the collection of DNA from arrestees not guilty of any crime), HB 1722 (prohibits e-cigarettes on college campuses), and SB 860 (extensively regulates the employment of paid canvassers in the initiative and referendum process). Legislators received lower scores if they supported those bills.

| Legislator | HB1669 | HB1110 | HB1957 | HB1228 | SB394 | HB1784 | HB1573 | HB1722 | SB860 | Total Score Individual Freedom |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------------------------------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Burnett | Y | | NV | N | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 29% |
| Sen. Caldwell | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Cheatham | Y | | N | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | Y | | N | N | Y | | Y | Y | NV | 43% |
| Sen. Clark | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | P | N | NV | 100% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | N | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Cooper | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Dismang | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Elliott | Y | | N | N | Y | | Y | Y | NV | 43% |
| Sen. English | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Files | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Flippo | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | N | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Flowers | Y | | NV | P | Y | | Y | P | N | 57% |
| Sen. Hendren | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Hester | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | N | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Hickey | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | Y | | NV | N | Y | | Y | Y | NV | 43% |
| Sen. Ingram | Y | | NV | N | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 29% |
| Sen. Irvin | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | N | Y | 71% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | Y | | NV | N | Y | | Y | Y | NV | 43% |
| Sen. King | Y | | Y | NV | Y | | Y | NV | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Lindsey | Y | | NV | N | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 29% |
| Sen. Maloch | Y | | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Pierce | Y | | N | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Rapert | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Rice | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Sample | Y | | NV | NV | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 29% |
| Sen. Sanders | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | N | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | Y | | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Teague | Y | | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Williams | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Woods | Y | | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | Y | 57% |

| Legislator | HB1669 | HB1110 | HB1957 | HB1228 | SB394 | HB1784 | HB1573 | HB1722 | SB860 | Total Score Individual Freedom |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------------------------------|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | Y | NV | N | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 11% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | NV | NV | Y | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 33% |
| Rep. Baine | Y | NV | N | Y | Y | N | Y | P | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Ballinger | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Baltz | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Beck | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | P | NV | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Bell | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | NV | N | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Bennett | NV | NV | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 11% |
| Rep. Bentley | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Blake | NV | N | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 11% |
| Rep. Boyd | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Bragg | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Branscum | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Broadway | Y | N | N | N | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Brown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Collins | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Copeland | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Cozart | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Davis | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | N | Y | NV | NV | 67% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Dotson | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | N | Y | 67% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | NV | 89% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | Y | N | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Drown | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Eads | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Eaves | NV | N | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | NV | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Eubanks | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | NV | 67% |
| Rep. Farrer | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | N | Y | NV | Y | 56% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | Y | NV | P | P | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 33% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | NV | NV | N | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 22% |
| Rep. Fielding | Y | NV | N | N | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | 22% |
| Rep. C. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. L. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 56% |

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Individual Freedom

| Legislator | HB1669 | HB1110 | HB1957 | HB1228 | SB394 | HB1784 | HB1573 | HB1722 | SB860 | Total Score Individual Freedom |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------------------------------|
| Rep. Flowers | NV | NV | N | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | 33% |
| Rep. Gates | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Gonzales | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Gossage | Y | P | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | 67% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Hammer | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Harris | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Henderson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Hickerson | NV | N | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | 33% |
| Rep. Hillman | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 78% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | Y | NV | NV | N | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 33% |
| Rep. Holcomb | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 33% |
| Rep. House | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Jean | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | NV | 89% |
| Rep. Jett | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Johnson | Y | N | N | NV | NV | N | Y | N | NV | 44% |
| Rep. Ladyman | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Lampkin | Y | N | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 22% |
| Rep. Leding | NV | Y | N | N | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | 22% |
| Rep. Lemons | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | Y | NV | 56% |
| Rep. Linck | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Love | NV | NV | N | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 11% |
| Rep. Lowery | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | P | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Magie | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 33% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | Y | Y | P | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. McElroy | Y | N | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 22% |
| Rep. G. McGill | NV | NV | N | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | 11% |
| Rep. McNair | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 78% |

| Legislator | HB1669 | HB1110 | HB1957 | HB1228 | SB394 | HB1784 | HB1573 | HB1722 | SB860 | Total Score Individual Freedom |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------------------------------|
| Rep. S. Meeks | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | P | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Miller | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | N | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Murdock | Y | NV | NV | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | 22% |
| Rep. Neal | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | NV | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Nicks | Y | N | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 22% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | Y | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 22% |
| Rep. Payton | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | N | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Petty | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Pitsch | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Ratliff | Y | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Richey | Y | N | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 22% |
| Rep. Richmond | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Rushing | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Sabin | NV | Y | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 22% |
| Rep. Scott | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 56% |
| Rep. Shepherd | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 78% |
| Rep. B. Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | P | NV | NV | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Speaks | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Sturch | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Sullivan | NV | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Talley | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Tosh | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Tucker | NV | N | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 11% |
| Rep. Vaught | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Vines | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Walker | Y | NV | N | N | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | 22% |
| Rep. Wallace | NV | N | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | NV | 89% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | NV | N | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 11% |
| Rep. Womack | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Wright | NV | Y | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 22% |

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Integrity in Government

What rules should govern the government? Our policymakers can increase integrity in government or decrease it. Some bills proposed in 2015 that would improve integrity in government include measures to improve transparency in charter school lotteries (HB 1516), provide legislative oversight for state regulations (SB 2), eliminate excessive regulations and eliminate outmoded rules (HB 1730), create a plan for consolidation of state administrative bureaucracies (SB 382), and prevent administrative rules from implementation without legislative oversight (HB 1737). Legislators gained higher scores for voting for these bills, as well as legislation to intercept tax refunds to pay court-ordered restitution in criminal cases (HB 1434), ban efforts to re-home an adopted child without a court order (HB 1676), and prevent a runaway federal constitutional convention by disqualifying convention delegates and voiding the votes they cast if those delegates act outside their authority (HB 1475). Legislators received lower scores when they supported bills that would require state government to produce a plan urging professionals to change their home to serve traditionally underserved communities (SB 995) and require racial impact statements for some legislation (SB 604). Support for SB 943 also lowered legislators' scores; this bill required the state government to send all new Medicaid-expansion enrollees detailed policy recommendations about alternative health-care coverage in the event of program termination, options for Medicaid modernization, and identification of affected populations.

| Legislator | HB1516 | SB2 | HB1434 | HB1676 | HB1737 | HB1730 | HB1475 | SB943 | SB995 | SB604 | SB382 | Total Score Integrity in Government |
|--------------------|--------|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| Sen. Bledsoe | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | NV | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Burnett | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Caldwell | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | NV | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Cheatham | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Clark | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | NV | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | | Y | Y | Y | | | | N | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Cooper | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | NV | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Dismang | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | NV | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Elliott | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. English | | Y | Y | Y | | | | NV | Y | N | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Files | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | NV | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Flippo | | Y | Y | Y | | | | N | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Flowers | | P | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | NV | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Hendren | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | NV | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Hester | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Hickey | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | N | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Ingram | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Irvin | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | NV | Y | 57% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | | Y | Y | Y | | | | NV | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. King | | Y | Y | Y | | | | NV | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Lindsey | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Maloch | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Pierce | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Rapert | | Y | Y | Y | | | | NV | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Rice | | Y | Y | Y | | | | N | Y | NV | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Sample | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | NV | Y | 57% |
| Sen. Sanders | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Teague | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Sen. Williams | | Y | Y | Y | | | | NV | Y | N | Y | 71% |
| Sen. Woods | | Y | Y | Y | | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |

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Integrity in Government

| Legislator | HB1516 | SB2 | HB1484 | HB1676 | HB1787 | HB1750 | HB1475 | SB943 | SB995 | SB604 | SB382 | Total Score Integrity in Government |
|--------------------|--------|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | N | Y | Y | | Y | 40% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Baine | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | | NV | 60% |
| Rep. Ballinger | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Baltz | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Beck | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Bell | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Bennett | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Bentley | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Blake | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Boyd | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Bragg | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Branscum | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Broadaway | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | | NV | 60% |
| Rep. Brown | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Collins | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Copeland | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Cozart | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Davis | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | N | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Dotson | N | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | Y | NV | Y | NV | NV | Y | NV | NV | Y | | NV | 50% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Drown | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Eads | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Eaves | P | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 40% |
| Rep. Eubanks | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Farrer | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | | NV | 70% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Fielding | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | NV | | NV | 50% |
| Rep. C. Fite | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. L. Fite | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Flowers | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | | P | 50% |
| Rep. Gates | N | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Gonzales | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Gossage | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | | NV | 50% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Hammer | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Harris | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Henderson | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | | Y | 40% |
| Rep. Hickerson | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | | NV | 60% |
| Rep. Hillman | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | | Y | 30% |
| Rep. Holcomb | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | | NV | 60% |
| Rep. House | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | | Y | 40% |

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Integrity in Government

| Legislator | HB1516 | SB2 | HB1484 | HB1676 | HB1787 | HB1750 | HB1475 | SB943 | SB995 | SB604 | SB382 | Total Score Integrity in Government |
|------------------|--------|-----|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| Rep. Jean | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | | NV | 70% |
| Rep. Jett | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | | NV | 60% |
| Rep. Johnson | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Ladyman | N | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | | NV | 60% |
| Rep. Lampkin | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Leding | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | | NV | 60% |
| Rep. Lemons | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Linck | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | | NV | 60% |
| Rep. Love | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | NV | | NV | 50% |
| Rep. Lowery | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Magie | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | NV | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. McElroy | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. G. McGill | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. McNair | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | Y | 80% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. S. Meeks | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Miller | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | | NV | 80% |
| Rep. Murdock | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Neal | N | NV | NV | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | | NV | 30% |
| Rep. Nicks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Payton | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Petty | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Pitsch | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | NV | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Ratliff | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Richey | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | | NV | 50% |
| Rep. Richmond | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Rushing | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Sabin | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Scott | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Shepherd | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | Y | 80% |
| Rep. B. Smith | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Speaks | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Sturch | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Sullivan | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Talley | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | Y | | NV | 70% |
| Rep. Tosh | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Tucker | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Vaught | N | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | P | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Vines | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Walker | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | | Y | 30% |
| Rep. Wallace | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | Y | 70% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Womack | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Wright | Y | NV | NV | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | | NV | 20% |

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Smaller Government

Legislation affecting the size and scope of government can involve many subjects. Some proposed 2015 legislation supported private property, such as SB 757 (restricts the power of local governments to undertake regulatory takings that diminish property values) and HB 1908 (creates protections for property owners who face eminent-domain takings). Other bills dealt with government procedures, such as bills to give individuals immunity from prosecution while reporting a drug overdose (SB 543), allow local control over water fluoride levels (HB 1355), and guarantee equal competition between union and non-union contractors when pursuing public contracts (SB 426). Legislators gained higher scores for supporting these bills. Unfortunately, legislators also considered many bills to create new taxpayer-funded bureaucracies, such as HB 1281 (creates a government entity to promote propane) and SB 403 (creates a state commission to promote bicycling). One bill, SJR 16, went so far as to amend the Arkansas Constitution to expand government power to subsidize private businesses. Other proposed legislation would impose a mandatory \$5,000 civil penalty on those who wrongfully use a third party's identity to influence a legislative vote (SB 509), block interstate commerce in wine from states with high agricultural standards (HB 1934), dampen competition in pharmaceutical benefit plans by making competitive business models illegal (SB 688), and eliminate a financial instrument (consumer lawsuit lending) by requiring disclosure of interest calculations that are impossible to make (SB 882). Legislators received lower scores for supporting these bills.

| Legislator | SB757 | SB543 | HB1908 | HB1355 | SB426 | SB509 | HB1281 | SJR16 | SB403 | HB1934 | SB688 | SB882 | Total Score Smaller Government |
|--------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------------------------------------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 44% |
| Sen. Burnett | N | NV | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 22% |
| Sen. Caldwell | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 44% |
| Sen. Cheatham | N | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 33% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | Y | NV | Y | | Y | Y | | N | Y | | Y | Y | 44% |
| Sen. Clark | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | NV | Y | | NV | Y | 67% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | Y | N | Y | | Y | Y | | NV | Y | | Y | Y | 44% |
| Sen. Cooper | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 44% |
| Sen. Dismang | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | P | Y | | NV | Y | 56% |
| Sen. Elliott | Y | NV | Y | | Y | Y | | N | Y | | Y | Y | 44% |
| Sen. English | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 44% |
| Sen. Files | Y | NV | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 33% |
| Sen. Flippo | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | NV | Y | | Y | Y | 56% |
| Sen. Flowers | Y | Y | Y | | Y | N | | P | Y | | Y | Y | 67% |
| Sen. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 44% |
| Sen. Hester | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | N | Y | | Y | Y | 56% |
| Sen. Hickey | Y | NV | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 33% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 33% |
| Sen. Ingram | N | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 33% |
| Sen. Irvin | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | N | Y | | Y | Y | 56% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | Y | N | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 33% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | N | NV | Y | | Y | Y | | N | Y | | Y | Y | 33% |
| Sen. King | Y | NV | Y | | NV | Y | | NV | Y | | Y | Y | 33% |
| Sen. Lindsey | N | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 33% |
| Sen. Maloch | N | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 33% |
| Sen. Pierce | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 44% |
| Sen. Rapert | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | NV | Y | | Y | Y | 56% |
| Sen. Rice | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | NV | Y | | Y | Y | 56% |
| Sen. Sample | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 44% |
| Sen. Sanders | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | NV | Y | | Y | Y | 56% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | Y | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 44% |
| Sen. Teague | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 33% |
| Sen. Williams | N | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 33% |
| Sen. Woods | NV | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | | Y | Y | 33% |

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|--------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------------------------------------|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | NV | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | 42% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Baine | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Ballinger | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | N | Y | NV | NV | 83% |
| Rep. Baltz | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Beck | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | N | P | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Bell | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | N | N | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Bennett | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Bentley | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Blake | P | Y | Y | N | Y | P | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Boyd | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | N | P | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Bragg | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Branscum | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 42% |
| Rep. Broadway | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 42% |
| Rep. Brown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Collins | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | NV | N | N | Y | 92% |
| Rep. Copeland | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Cozart | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Davis | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | NV | NV | N | Y | 83% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Dotson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Drown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Eads | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Eaves | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Eubanks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Farrer | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | N | NV | N | NV | NV | 83% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 42% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | NV | NV | NV | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 17% |
| Rep. Fielding | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | NV | N | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. C. Fite | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | NV | 50% |
| Rep. L. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Flowers | NV | NV | NV | N | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | 33% |
| Rep. Gates | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | P | P | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Gonzales | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Gossage | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | NV | NV | NV | 67% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 42% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Hammer | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | N | NV | 67% |
| Rep. Harris | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Henderson | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | 58% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | N | N | N | N | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Hickerson | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Hillman | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | 50% |
| Rep. Holcomb | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | 58% |
| Rep. House | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | 58% |

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|------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------------------------------------|
| Rep. Jean | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Jett | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Johnson | Y | NV | Y | N | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Ladyman | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 42% |
| Rep. Lampkin | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Leding | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 33% |
| Rep. Lemons | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Linck | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | NV | N | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Love | NV | NV | NV | N | Y | NV | Y | N | NV | NV | NV | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Lowery | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Magie | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | 50% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | P | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 42% |
| Rep. McElroy | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 50% |
| Rep. G. McGill | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. McNair | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 33% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | N | N | N | Y | 83% |
| Rep. S. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | N | N | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Miller | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | N | Y | N | Y | Y | NV | 50% |
| Rep. Murdock | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | NV | NV | Y | NV | NV | N | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Neal | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | NV | N | NV | N | NV | N | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Nicks | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 42% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Payton | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | N | N | Y | Y | N | 58% |
| Rep. Petty | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Pitsch | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | N | NV | P | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Ratliff | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 42% |
| Rep. Richey | Y | Y | NV | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Richmond | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Rushing | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Sabin | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 42% |
| Rep. Scott | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Shepherd | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 42% |
| Rep. B. Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | P | N | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Speaks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Sturch | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | P | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Sullivan | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Talley | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 33% |
| Rep. Tosh | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Tucker | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 42% |
| Rep. Vaught | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Vines | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Walker | NV | NV | NV | N | Y | N | Y | N | NV | N | Y | Y | 42% |
| Rep. Wallace | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 75% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | N | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | NV | N | Y | N | Y | Y | 58% |
| Rep. Womack | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | NV | N | 67% |
| Rep. Wright | Y | NV | NV | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 17% |

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Lawsuit Reform

Litigation is a necessary part of life, but the judicial system should not be abused. The 2015 legislative session produced bills that would require a plaintiff who fails to state a claim to pay the defendant's court costs and attorneys' fees (SB 761), give students the right to legal counsel at appeals of disciplinary proceedings (HB 1892), permit the reinstatement of a judge suspended on a felony indictment if the indictment is dismissed (HB 1456), and limit the use of unverified information in nursing home advertising (SB 912). Legislators received higher scores for supporting these bills.

| Legislator | SB761 | SB912 | HB1892 | HB1456 | Total Score Lawsuit Reform |
|--------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Burnett | N | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Caldwell | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Cheatham | N | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | P | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Sen. Clark | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Cooper | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Dismang | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Elliott | N | N | Y | Y | 50% |
| Sen. English | NV | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Sen. Files | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Flippo | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Flowers | N | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hester | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hickey | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | N | N | Y | Y | 50% |
| Sen. Ingram | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Irvin | Y | NV | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | N | N | Y | Y | 50% |
| Sen. King | N | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Sen. Lindsey | N | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Sen. Maloch | N | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Sen. Pierce | N | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Sen. Rapert | Y | NV | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Rice | Y | NV | Y | Y | 75% |
| Sen. Sample | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Sanders | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | NV | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Sen. Teague | N | NV | Y | Y | 50% |
| Sen. Williams | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Woods | NV | Y | Y | Y | 75% |

| Legislator | SB761 | SB912 | HB1892 | HB1456 | Total Score Lawsuit Reform |
|-------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Baine | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Ballinger | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Baltz | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Beck | | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Bell | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Bennett | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Bentley | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Blake | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Boyd | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Bragg | | Y | Y | NV | 67% |
| Rep. Branscum | | Y | P | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Broadaway | | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Brown | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Collins | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Copeland | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Cozart | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Davis | | NV | NV | Y | 33% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | | NV | Y | NV | 33% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | | Y | N | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Dotson | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Drown | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Eads | | Y | Y | NV | 67% |
| Rep. Eaves | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Eubanks | | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Farrer | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Fielding | | NV | Y | NV | 33% |
| Rep. C. Fite | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. L. Fite | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Flowers | | NV | Y | Y | 67% |

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Lawsuit Reform

| Legislator | SB761 | SB912 | HB1892 | HB1456 | Total Score Lawsuit Reform |
|--------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Rep. Gates | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Gonzales | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Gossage | | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Hammer | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Harris | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Henderson | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | | Y | N | NV | 33% |
| Rep. Hickerson | | NV | Y | NV | 33% |
| Rep. Hillman | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Holcomb | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. House | | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Jean | | NV | Y | NV | 33% |
| Rep. Jett | | Y | N | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Johnson | | NV | Y | NV | 33% |
| Rep. Ladyman | | Y | NV | NV | 33% |
| Rep. Lampkin | | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Leding | | N | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Lemons | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Linck | | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Love | | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Lowery | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Magie | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. McElroy | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. G. McGill | | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. McNair | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |

| Legislator | SB761 | SB912 | HB1892 | HB1456 | Total Score Lawsuit Reform |
|------------------|-------|-------|--------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Rep. S. Meeks | | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Miller | | Y | Y | NV | 67% |
| Rep. Murdock | | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Neal | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Nicks | | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Payton | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Petty | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Pitsch | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Ratliff | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Richey | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Richmond | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Rushing | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sabin | | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Scott | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Shepherd | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. B. Smith | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Speaks | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sturch | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sullivan | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Talley | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Tosh | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Tucker | | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Vaught | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Vines | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Walker | | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Wallace | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | | N | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Womack | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Wright | | Y | Y | Y | 100% |

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Occupational Freedom

According to a recent report from the Obama Administration, excessive government licensing requirements on workers “creates substantial costs, and often the requirements for obtaining a license are not in sync with the skills needed for the job.” Many Arkansas legislators agreed: the 2015 session of the General Assembly saw a number of bills to reduce the regulatory burden on individuals seeking work. These included bills that would exempt or lighten licensure requirements on various occupations, such as hair braiders (HB 1177), contractors (SB 631), physical therapists (HB 1589), osteopaths (HB 1636), plumbers (SB 153), and electricians (SB 754). One bill, HB 1823, would expand interstate licensing reciprocity; another bill, HB 1392, would shield architects and professionals who provide volunteer services during emergencies from liability. Finally, HB 1723 expedited the approval process of licensure for military personnel. Support for each of these pro-competition, pro-consumer bills earned higher scores for legislators.

| Legislator | HB1589 | SB631 | HB1823 | HB1177 | SB754 | SB153 | HB1723 | HB1636 | HB1392 | Total Score Occupational Freedom |
|--------------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Burnett | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Caldwell | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Cheatham | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Sen. Clark | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Cooper | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Dismang | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Sen. Elliott | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Sen. English | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Sen. Files | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Flippo | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Flowers | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hester | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hickey | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Ingram | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Irvin | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Sen. King | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Lindsey | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Maloch | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Pierce | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Rapert | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Sen. Rice | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Sample | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Sen. Sanders | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Teague | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Sen. Williams | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Woods | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |

| Legislator | HB1589 | SB631 | HB1823 | HB1177 | SB754 | SB153 | HB1723 | HB1636 | HB1392 | Total Score Occupational Freedom |
|-------------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Baine | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Ballinger | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Baltz | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Beck | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Bell | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Bennett | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Bentley | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Blake | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Boyd | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Bragg | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Branscum | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Broadway | Y | Y | NV | NV | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Brown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Collins | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Copeland | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Cozart | Y | N | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Davis | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Dotson | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Drown | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Eads | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Eaves | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Eubanks | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | 44% |
| Rep. Farrer | N | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Fielding | N | NV | NV | N | NV | NV | Y | NV | Y | 22% |
| Rep. C. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. L. Fite | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Flowers | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 78% |

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Occupational Freedom

| Legislator | HB1589 | SB631 | HB1823 | HB1177 | SB754 | SB153 | HB1723 | HB1636 | HB1392 | Total Score Occupational Freedom |
|--------------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Rep. Gates | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Gonzales | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Gossage | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Hammer | Y | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Harris | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 89% |
| Rep. Henderson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Hickerson | NV | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Hillman | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Holcomb | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. House | Y | Y | P | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Jean | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Jett | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Johnson | NV | NV | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 56% |
| Rep. Ladyman | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | 56% |
| Rep. Lampkin | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Leding | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Lemons | NV | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Linck | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Love | Y | NV | NV | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Lowery | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Magie | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. McElroy | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. G. McGill | NV | NV | NV | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. McNair | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |

| Legislator | HB1589 | SB631 | HB1823 | HB1177 | SB754 | SB153 | HB1723 | HB1636 | HB1392 | Total Score Occupational Freedom |
|------------------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|----------------------------------|
| Rep. S. Meeks | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Miller | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Murdock | NV | NV | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Neal | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Nicks | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 56% |
| Rep. Payton | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Petty | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Pitsch | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Ratliff | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Richey | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Richmond | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Rushing | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Sabin | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Scott | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Shepherd | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. B. Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Speaks | N | N | Y | N | N | N | Y | Y | Y | 44% |
| Rep. Sturch | NV | NV | Y | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Sullivan | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Talley | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. Tosh | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Tucker | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |
| Rep. Vaught | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Vines | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Walker | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | NV | 56% |
| Rep. Wallace | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 89% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | N | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 67% |
| Rep. Womack | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Wright | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 78% |

LEGEND: Y=Yes, N=No, NV=No Vote, P=Present

School Reform

Education is still primarily a function of state government; legislators considered many bills in 2015 that would affect elementary and secondary schools in the state. Some bills involved curricula, such as SB 1007 (expands history teaching). Other legislation supported student choice, such as SB 789 (provides aid to charter schools) and HB 1552 (provides vouchers to children with special needs). One bill we monitored, SB 331, allowed homeschoolers to participate in interscholastic sports. Some bills would improve the operation of school districts, such as SB 205 (allows school district to donate property to towns). Legislators gained higher scores by supporting these bills, but received lower scores for supporting HB 1044 (mandates cursive writing education statewide) and HB 1074 (prevents a school district from locating business or administrative operations outside of the school district).

| Legislator | SB1007 | SB789 | SB331 | SB205 | HB1552 | HB1044 | HB1074 | Total Score School Reform |
|--------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|---------|--------|---------------------------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. Burnett | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. Caldwell | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 67% |
| Sen. Cheatham | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 50% |
| Sen. Clark | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. Cooper | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. Dismang | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 67% |
| Sen. Elliott | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 50% |
| Sen. English | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. Files | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. Flippo | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. Flowers | P | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 50% |
| Sen. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. Hester | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. Hickey | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 67% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 67% |
| Sen. Ingram | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 67% |
| Sen. Irvin | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | NV | N | NV | Y | Y | NV | | 50% |
| Sen. King | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 67% |
| Sen. Lindsey | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 67% |
| Sen. Maloch | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | | 67% |
| Sen. Pierce | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 67% |
| Sen. Rapert | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Excused | | 100% |
| Sen. Rice | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. Sample | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 67% |
| Sen. Sanders | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Excused | | 100% |
| Sen. Teague | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 67% |
| Sen. Williams | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | | 67% |
| Sen. Woods | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | | 83% |

| Legislator | SB1007 | SB789 | SB331 | SB205 | HB1552 | HB1044 | HB1074 | Total Score School Reform |
|-------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|---------------------------|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | NV | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | 0% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | N | N | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | 14% |
| Rep. Baine | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Ballinger | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 86% |
| Rep. Baltz | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Rep. Beck | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 100% |
| Rep. Bell | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 100% |
| Rep. Bennett | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | N | 71% |
| Rep. Bentley | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Blake | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | P | 71% |
| Rep. Boyd | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Bragg | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | 86% |
| Rep. Branscum | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 71% |
| Rep. Broadway | NV | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 29% |
| Rep. Brown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Collins | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 100% |
| Rep. Copeland | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | 57% |
| Rep. Cozart | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Davis | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 86% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 100% |
| Rep. Dotson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | NV | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 71% |
| Rep. Drown | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Eads | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | P | N | 86% |
| Rep. Eaves | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Eubanks | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Farrer | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 86% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 86% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | Y | NV | NV | Y | P | Y | Y | 29% |
| Rep. Fielding | NV | N | NV | NV | NV | NV | NV | 29% |
| Rep. C. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 86% |
| Rep. L. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Flowers | Y | P | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 43% |
| Rep. Gates | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | 100% |

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School Reform

| Legislator | SB1007 | SB789 | SB331 | SB205 | HB1552 | HB1044 | HB1074 | Total Score School Reform |
|--------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|---------------------------|
| Rep. Gonzales | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | P | N | 86% |
| Rep. Gossage | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | P | N | 71% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Hammer | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Harris | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | 71% |
| Rep. Henderson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 100% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Hickerson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Hillman | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | NV | N | 43% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | P | N | 100% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | 57% |
| Rep. Holcomb | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 71% |
| Rep. House | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 86% |
| Rep. Jean | NV | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | 43% |
| Rep. Jett | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | 57% |
| Rep. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Ladyman | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | 71% |
| Rep. Lampkin | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 29% |
| Rep. Leding | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | 71% |
| Rep. Lemons | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | P | N | 86% |
| Rep. Linck | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 100% |
| Rep. Love | NV | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 14% |
| Rep. Lowery | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | 71% |
| Rep. Magie | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 57% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. McElroy | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 57% |
| Rep. G. McGill | NV | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | 0% |
| Rep. McNair | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 71% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 100% |
| Rep. S. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 71% |

| Legislator | SB1007 | SB789 | SB331 | SB205 | HB1552 | HB1044 | HB1074 | Total Score School Reform |
|------------------|--------|-------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|---------------------------|
| Rep. Miller | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | 57% |
| Rep. Murdock | NV | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | 0% |
| Rep. Neal | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 71% |
| Rep. Nicks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | 100% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | NV | N | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 29% |
| Rep. Payton | NV | N | NV | Y | Y | N | NV | 57% |
| Rep. Petty | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Pitsch | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | 71% |
| Rep. Ratliff | NV | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 29% |
| Rep. Richey | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 71% |
| Rep. Richmond | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Rushing | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 100% |
| Rep. Sabin | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | 71% |
| Rep. Scott | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Shepherd | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | 71% |
| Rep. B. Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Speaks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 86% |
| Rep. Sturch | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Sullivan | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 100% |
| Rep. Talley | NV | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | 43% |
| Rep. Tosh | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | 71% |
| Rep. Tucker | P | N | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 71% |
| Rep. Vaught | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 86% |
| Rep. Vines | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 57% |
| Rep. Walker | NV | N | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | 14% |
| Rep. Wallace | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 71% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | Y | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | N | 43% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | N | N | NV | Y | NV | N | NV | 43% |
| Rep. Womack | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | N | N | 57% |
| Rep. Wright | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 86% |

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Second Amendment

Government has a duty to protect the individual right to keep and bear arms. Protecting Second Amendment rights was a popular theme during the 2015 legislative session. Some bills expanded the zones where those with concealed carry licenses could carry concealed weapons, such as HB 1077 (college campuses), HB 1432 (polling places), SB 159 (county courthouses), HB 1505 (public parking lots), and HB 1372 (private schools). Two bills expanded the professional classes who could carry concealed weapons – HB 1864 granted additional rights to auxiliary law enforcement officers and jail employees, while HB 1190 did the same for members of the armed forces who are ages 18 to 21. Another bill, HB 1846, eased restrictions on carrying a firearm while traveling. Supporting these bills to strengthen gun rights earned legislators higher scores.

| Legislator | HB1077 | HB1846 | HB1432 | SB159 | HB1505 | HB1864 | HB1372 | HB1190 | Final Score Second Amendment |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------------------------------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Burnett | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Caldwell | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Cheatham | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | | | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | 67% |
| Sen. Clark | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Cooper | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Dismang | | | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 83% |
| Sen. Elliott | | | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 83% |
| Sen. English | | | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 83% |
| Sen. Files | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Flippo | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Flowers | | | N | N | N | P | P | Y | 17% |
| Sen. Hendren | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hester | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hickey | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Ingram | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Irvin | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | | | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 83% |
| Sen. King | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Lindsey | | | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 83% |
| Sen. Maloch | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Pierce | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Rapert | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Rice | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Sample | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Sanders | | | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 83% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Teague | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Williams | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Sen. Woods | | | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |

| Legislator | HB1077 | HB1846 | HB1432 | SB159 | HB1505 | HB1864 | HB1372 | HB1190 | Final Score Second Amendment |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------------------------------|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | N | Y | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | N | Y | N | NV | NV | NV | Y | NV | 25% |
| Rep. Baine | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Ballinger | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Baltz | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Beck | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Bell | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Bennett | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Bentley | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Blake | N | NV | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 38% |
| Rep. Boyd | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Bragg | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Branscum | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Broadway | N | N | N | N | Y | NV | NV | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Brown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Collins | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Copeland | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Cozart | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Davis | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Dotson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Drown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Eads | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Eaves | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Eubanks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Farrer | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | N | Y | N | NV | NV | Y | NV | Y | 38% |
| Rep. Fielding | NV | NV | NV | NV | NV | NV | NV | NV | 0% |
| Rep. C. Fite | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. L. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Flowers | N | N | N | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | 13% |

LEGEND: Y=Yes, N=No, NV=No Vote, P=Present

Second Amendment

| Legislator | HB1077 | HB1846 | HB1432 | SBI59 | HB1505 | HB1864 | HB1372 | HB1190 | Final Score Second Amendment |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------------------------------|
| Rep. Gates | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Gonzales | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Gossage | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | Y | NV | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Hammer | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Harris | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Henderson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | N | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Hickerson | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Hillman | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | N | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 38% |
| Rep. Holcomb | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. House | Y | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Jean | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Jett | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Johnson | N | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Ladyman | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Lampkin | N | N | NV | NV | NV | Y | NV | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Leding | N | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Lemons | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Linck | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Love | N | Y | N | N | NV | NV | NV | NV | 13% |
| Rep. Lowery | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Magie | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. McElroy | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. G. McGill | NV | Y | N | Y | NV | NV | NV | Y | 38% |
| Rep. McNair | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |

| Legislator | HB1077 | HB1846 | HB1432 | SBI59 | HB1505 | HB1864 | HB1372 | HB1190 | Final Score Second Amendment |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|------------------------------------|
| Rep. S. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Miller | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Murdock | N | Y | N | NV | NV | NV | N | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Neal | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Nicks | N | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | NV | N | NV | NV | NV | Y | NV | Y | 25% |
| Rep. Payton | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Petty | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Pitsch | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Ratliff | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Richey | N | Y | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Richmond | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Rushing | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Sabin | N | Y | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Scott | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Shepherd | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. B. Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Speaks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sturch | P | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75% |
| Rep. Sullivan | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Talley | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Tosh | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Tucker | N | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 63% |
| Rep. Vaught | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Vines | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. Walker | N | NV | N | N | NV | NV | N | NV | 0% |
| Rep. Wallace | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 88% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | N | Y | N | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 50% |
| Rep. Womack | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Wright | N | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | 63% |

LEGEND: Y=Yes, N=No, NV=No Vote, P=Present

Tax and Budget

A primary legislative task is the resolution of tax and budget issues. We gave legislators higher scores when they supported legislation in 2015 to reduce income tax rates by collecting applicable sales and use taxes from nonresidents (HB 1007) and expand the state's capital gains tax exemption (HB 1402). Support for legislation to shore up the state's unemployment compensation fund by adjusting unemployment benefits to avoid overcompensating beneficiaries as compared to surrounding states (HB 1489) also gained legislators a higher score. In addition, we rewarded legislators with higher scores for supporting bills that would enter Arkansas into a multi-state compact to call a constitutional convention for a federal balanced budget amendment (HB 1006) and would call a convention to propose constitutional amendments to impose fiscal discipline on the federal government (HJR 1003).

| Legislator | HB1489 | HB1007 | HB1402 | HJR1003 | HB1006 | Total Score Tax & Budget |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------------------------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Burnett | NV | Y | N | | | 33% |
| Sen. Caldwell | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Cheatham | N | N | N | | | 0% |
| Sen. Chesterfield | N | NV | N | | | 0% |
| Sen. Clark | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Cooper | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Dismang | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Elliott | NV | P | N | | | 0% |
| Sen. English | Y | NV | NV | | | 33% |
| Sen. Files | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Flippo | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Flowers | N | P | N | | | 0% |
| Sen. Hendren | Y | NV | Y | | | 67% |
| Sen. Hester | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Hickey | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Hutchinson | NV | Y | Y | | | 67% |
| Sen. Ingram | N | Y | N | | | 33% |
| Sen. Irvin | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. B. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. D. Johnson | N | Y | N | | | 33% |
| Sen. King | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Lindsey | N | Y | N | | | 33% |
| Sen. Maloch | NV | N | Y | | | 33% |
| Sen. Pierce | N | Y | Y | | | 67% |
| Sen. Rapert | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Rice | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Sample | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Sanders | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Stubblefield | Y | Y | N | | | 67% |
| Sen. Teague | NV | NV | Y | | | 33% |
| Sen. Williams | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |
| Sen. Woods | Y | Y | Y | | | 100% |

| Legislator | HB1489 | HB1007 | HB1402 | HJR1003 | HB1006 | Total Score Tax & Budget |
|-------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|--------------------------|
| Rep. C. Armstrong | N | NV | N | N | N | 0% |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | NV | NV | N | NV | N | 0% |
| Rep. Baine | Y | Y | Y | N | P | 60% |
| Rep. Ballinger | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Baltz | N | Y | N | Y | N | 40% |
| Rep. Beck | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Bell | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Bennett | Y | Y | NV | NV | N | 40% |
| Rep. Bentley | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Blake | N | Y | N | N | NV | 20% |
| Rep. Boyd | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 60% |
| Rep. Bragg | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Branscum | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Rep. Broadway | NV | Y | NV | N | N | 20% |
| Rep. Brown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Collins | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Copeland | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Cozart | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Davis | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 80% |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Della Rosa | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 60% |
| Rep. Dotson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. C. Douglas | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. D. Douglas | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 60% |
| Rep. Drown | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 60% |
| Rep. Eads | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Eaves | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Eubanks | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Farrer | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | NV | Y | Y | N | N | 40% |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | NV | NV | NV | NV | NV | 0% |
| Rep. Fielding | NV | P | N | N | NV | 0% |
| Rep. C. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. L. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Flowers | N | NV | N | N | N | 0% |

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Tax and Budget

| Legislator | HB1489 | HB1007 | HB1402 | HJR1003 | HB1006 | Total Score Tax & Budget |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|-----------------------------|
| Rep. Gates | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Gonzales | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Gossage | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Michael Gray | Y | Y | NV | NV | N | 40% |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Hammer | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Harris | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Henderson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. K. Hendren | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | 60% |
| Rep. Hickerson | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Hillman | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | 60% |
| Rep. G. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. M. Hodges | NV | Y | NV | NV | NV | 20% |
| Rep. Holcomb | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. House | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Jean | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Jett | NV | Y | Y | N | N | 40% |
| Rep. Johnson | Y | Y | N | NV | N | 40% |
| Rep. Ladyman | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Lampkin | N | Y | NV | N | NV | 20% |
| Rep. Leding | NV | Y | NV | N | NV | 20% |
| Rep. Lemons | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Linck | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | 60% |
| Rep. Love | N | Y | N | N | N | 20% |
| Rep. Lowery | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Lundstrum | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Magie | N | Y | N | N | N | 20% |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 60% |
| Rep. McElroy | Y | Y | N | N | N | 40% |
| Rep. G. McGill | NV | Y | NV | N | N | 20% |
| Rep. McNair | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. D. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |

| Legislator | HB1489 | HB1007 | HB1402 | HJR1003 | HB1006 | Total Score Tax & Budget |
|------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|--------|-----------------------------|
| Rep. S. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Miller | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Murdock | N | Y | N | N | N | 20% |
| Rep. Neal | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Nicks | NV | Y | NV | N | N | 20% |
| Rep. B. Overbey | NV | Y | NV | NV | NV | 20% |
| Rep. Payton | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Petty | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Pitsch | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 60% |
| Rep. Ratliff | N | Y | N | N | N | 20% |
| Rep. Richey | N | Y | NV | N | N | 20% |
| Rep. Richmond | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Rushing | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sabin | N | Y | N | N | N | 20% |
| Rep. Scott | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Shepherd | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 60% |
| Rep. B. Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sorvillo | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Speaks | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 60% |
| Rep. Sturch | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Sullivan | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Talley | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 60% |
| Rep. Tosh | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Tucker | P | Y | N | N | P | 20% |
| Rep. Vaught | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Vines | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 60% |
| Rep. Walker | NV | NV | N | N | N | 0% |
| Rep. Wallace | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 100% |
| Rep. Wardlaw | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | 80% |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | NV | Y | N | N | N | 20% |
| Rep. Womack | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 80% |
| Rep. Wright | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | 60% |

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III – The 20/20 Rating

In the past, some observers have pointed out weaknesses in our Freedom Rating. One difficulty is that scores between Members of the House and Senate are not comparable; another difficulty is that our rating method gives the same weight to every bill, even though some bills are more important than others. To address these difficulties, we created the 20/20 Rating, which rates a number of bills that received floor votes in both the House and the Senate.

The 20/20 Rating gauges legislative votes on some of the most important bills across our fourteen subcategories. Legislators received higher scores when they supported SB 757 (restricts the power of local governments to undertake regulatory takings that diminish property values), SB 789 (provides aid to charter schools), HB 1177 (lightens the burden of occupational licensing on hair braiders), SB 4 (protects the right to try life-saving medical treatments), HB 1779 (ends lottery scholarships for students who do not graduate expeditiously), SB 426 (guarantees equal competition between union and non-union contractors), SB 204 (blocks Arkansas's attorney general from entering into certain contingency-fee arrangements with private attorneys), HB 1432 (extends concealed-carry rights to polling places), HB 1228 (establishes a state version of the Religious Freedom Restoration Act), HB 1727 (allows the public access to certain criminal records), HB 1240 (protects Arkansans' civil immunity when they practice self-defense),

SB 382 (creates a plan for consolidation of administrative bureaucracies), SB 2 (provides legislative oversight for state regulations), HB 1363 (notifies private-option recipients of the program's end date), HB 1892 (gives students the right to employ legal counsel during appeals of disciplinary proceedings), and HB 1163 (ensures that public employees will not be disciplined for using the Freedom of Information Act). However, legislators received lower scores when they supported SJR 16 (amended the Arkansas Constitution to expand government's powers to subsidize private businesses), HB 1722 (prohibits e-cigarettes on college campuses), HB 1425 (intrudes on First Amendment rights by regulating independent expenditures) as if they were campaign or candidate expenditures, and SB 956 (creates a gigantic database containing Arkansans' private medical information).

Legislators received 5 points for each vote in favor of bills that advanced freedom and good government, or for each vote against bills that held freedom and good government back. Three legislators received a perfect score of 100 – Rep. Mary Bentley, Rep. Jim Dotson, and Sen. Linda Collins-Smith – which earned them our “20/20 Vision Award.” Two other legislators who received a score of 95 – Rep. Charlie Collins and Sen. Alan Clark – received their chamber's highest Freedom Rating, which allowed them to receive the coveted “Freedom's Best Friend” award.

The 20/20 Rating

| Legislator | SB757 | SB789 | HB1177 | SB4 | HB1779 | HB1727 | SB426 | SB204 | HB1432 | HB1228 | HB1240 | SB382 | SB2 | HB1363 | HB1892 | HB1163 | SJR16 | HB1722 | HB1425 | SB956 | Score |
|--------------------|-------|-------|--------|-----|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-----|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| Sen. Bledsoe | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | 85 |
| Sen. Burnett | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 65 |
| Sen. Caldwell | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | NV | 90 |
| Sen. Cheatham | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 70 |
| Sen. Chesterfield | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 55 |
| Sen. Clark | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | N | Y | 95 |
| Sen. Collins-Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | NV | NV | 100 |
| Sen. Cooper | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | 90 |
| Sen. Dismang | NV | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | P | Y | NV | NV | 70 |
| Sen. Elliott | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | P | N | N | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | NV | 55 |
| Sen. English | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | 80 |
| Sen. Files | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | 75 |
| Sen. Flippo | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | NV | Y | 95 |
| Sen. Flowers | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | NV | N | P | N | Y | P | P | Y | Y | P | P | P | Y | 55 |
| Sen. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 85 |
| Sen. Hester | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | NV | Y | 85 |
| Sen. Hickey | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | 90 |
| Sen. Hutchinson | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 65 |
| Sen. Ingram | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60 |
| Sen. Irvin | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | N | 90 |
| Sen. B. Johnson, | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | 90 |
| Sen. D. Johnson, | N | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 50 |
| Sen. King | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | NV | 70 |
| Sen. Lindsey | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 60 |
| Sen. Maloch | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 65 |
| Sen. Pierce | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75 |
| Sen. Rapert | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | 85 |
| Sen. Rice | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | Y | 95 |
| Sen. Sample | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | 75 |
| Sen. Sanders | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | Y | 85 |
| Sen. Stubblefield | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | 90 |
| Sen. Teague | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60 |
| Sen. Williams | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 75 |
| Sen. Woods | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 70 |
| Rep. C. Armstrong | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | NV | N | N | NV | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 30 |
| Rep. E. Armstrong | NV | N | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | N | N | NV | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 30 |
| Rep. Baine | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | P | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | NV | 65 |
| Rep. Ballinger | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | NV | NV | 95 |
| Rep. Baltz | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 65 |
| Rep. Beck | P | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | 75 |
| Rep. Bell | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | NV | Y | 95 |
| Rep. Bennett | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60 |
| Rep. Bentley | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | NV | N | 100 |
| Rep. Blake | P | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | N | N | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 40 |
| Rep. Boyd | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 80 |

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|--------------------|-------|-------|--------|-----|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-----|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| Rep. Bragg | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80 |
| Rep. Branscum | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 70 |
| Rep. Broadway | NV | N | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 35 |
| Rep. Brown | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 85 |
| Rep. Collins | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | Y | 95 |
| Rep. Copeland | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | N | 95 |
| Rep. Cozart | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | 80 |
| Rep. Davis | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | N | NV | NV | Y | 85 |
| Rep. Deffenbaugh | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | N | N | 80 |
| Rep. Della Rosa | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | N | N | Y | N | 80 |
| Rep. Dotson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | NV | NV | 100 |
| Rep. C. Douglas | Y | P | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | P | 75 |
| Rep. D. Douglas | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 80 |
| Rep. Drown | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 80 |
| Rep. Eads | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75 |
| Rep. Eaves | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | 90 |
| Rep. Eubanks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 80 |
| Rep. Farrer | NV | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | N | Y | 65 |
| Rep. D. Ferguson | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60 |
| Rep. K. Ferguson | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | N | N | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 40 |
| Rep. Fielding | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | NV | 85 |
| Rep. C. Fite | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 80 |
| Rep. L. Fite | Y | N | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | NV | NV | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | 45 |
| Rep. Flowers | NV | P | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | N | NV | P | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 45 |
| Rep. Gates | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | N | Y | 85 |
| Rep. Gonzales | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | N | NV | 90 |
| Rep. Gossage | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 75 |
| Rep. Michael Gray | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | P | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 55 |
| Rep. Michelle Gray | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | 90 |
| Rep. Hammer | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | Y | 75 |
| Rep. Harris | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 90 |
| Rep. Henderson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75 |
| Rep. K. Hendren | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | N | Y | N | N | 75 |
| Rep. Hickerson | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | NV | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | 55 |
| Rep. Hillman | Y | NV | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60 |
| Rep. G. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | 85 |
| Rep. M. Hodges | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | NV | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 50 |
| Rep. Holcomb | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | 70 |
| Rep. House | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | N | NV | NV | Y | 85 |
| Rep. Jean | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | N | 80 |
| Rep. Jett | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 55 |
| Rep. Johnson | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 65 |
| Rep. Ladyman | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | P | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | N | 60 |
| Rep. Lampkin | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 50 |

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|------------------|-------|-------|--------|-----|--------|--------|-------|-------|--------|--------|--------|-------|-----|--------|--------|--------|-------|--------|--------|-------|-------|
| Rep. Leding | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 60 |
| Rep. Lemons | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75 |
| Rep. Linck | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | 70 |
| Rep. Love | NV | N | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | NV | N | N | NV | NV | NV | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 30 |
| Rep. Lowery | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | 80 |
| Rep. Lundstrum | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | P | NV | NV | 90 |
| Rep. Magie | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 65 |
| Rep. J. Mayberry | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | 80 |
| Rep. McElroy | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 70 |
| Rep. G. McGill | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | N | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 55 |
| Rep. McNair | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 70 |
| Rep. D. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | Y | N | 90 |
| Rep. S. Meeks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | P | Y | Y | 90 |
| Rep. Miller | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | N | NV | N | 65 |
| Rep. Murdock | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | N | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | 55 |
| Rep. Neal | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | Y | 75 |
| Rep. Nicks | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 60 |
| Rep. B. Overbey | Y | N | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 50 |
| Rep. Payton | Y | N | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | N | N | N | 85 |
| Rep. Petty | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | NV | 95 |
| Rep. Pitsch | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 80 |
| Rep. Ratliff | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | 80 |
| Rep. Richey | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | N | Y | NV | NV | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 50 |
| Rep. Richmond | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | 90 |
| Rep. Rushing | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 75 |
| Rep. Sabin | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | N | N | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 55 |
| Rep. Scott | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 85 |
| Rep. Shepherd | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | NV | Y | 90 |
| Rep. B. Smith | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | 85 |
| Rep. Sorvillo | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | 80 |
| Rep. Speaks | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | N | 90 |
| Rep. Sturch | Y | Y | P | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 75 |
| Rep. Sullivan | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | 90 |
| Rep. Talley | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 55 |
| Rep. Tosh | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | N | 80 |
| Rep. Tucker | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | N | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 50 |
| Rep. Vaught | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | 80 |
| Rep. Vines | NV | N | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | 65 |
| Rep. Walker | NV | N | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | N | N | NV | Y | NV | N | NV | Y | N | N | Y | Y | 40 |
| Rep. Wallace | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | 85 |
| Rep. Wardlaw | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | NV | 75 |
| Rep. D. Whitaker | N | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | N | N | NV | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | N | Y | Y | Y | 50 |
| Rep. Womack | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | NV | Y | Y | Y | N | N | NV | 80 |
| Rep. Wright | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | NV | NV | Y | Y | NV | NV | NV | NV | N | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y | 45 |

LEGEND: Y=Yes, N=No, NV=No Vote, P=Present. The black headers signify bills which held back freedom or good government.

IV – Friends of Freedom

The top tier of legislators in each chamber – measured by the Freedom Rating and the 20/20 Rating – received the Advance Arkansas Institute’s “Friends of Freedom” designation. Legislators were designated Friends of Freedom if they had a Freedom Rating of at least 83 in the House or 74 in the Senate, or if they had a 20/20 Rating of at least 95. Their voting records suggest that these legislators assign more importance to the fourteen values we measured than some of their colleagues do. To repeat, the two chambers’ Freedom Ratings are not meaningfully comparable against each other, but the 20/20 Ratings are.

We especially appreciate Rep. Richard Womack and Sen. Bart Hester, who are AAI’s two Legislators of the Year. Womack’s and Hester’s work led to huge steps forward for the well-being of Arkansans. Because of their work, Arkansas became the first state in the nation to statutorily protect the right to photograph public events; our state also joined those states which provide open, public access to criminal records. Rep. Womack’s and Sen. Hester’s sponsorship of these measures made them Friends of Freedom as well.

House of Representatives



Rep. Ballinger



Rep. Beck



Rep. Bell



Rep. Bentley



Rep. Brown



Rep. Collins



Rep. Copeland



Rep. Dotson



Rep. C. Fite



Rep. Gates



Rep. M. Gray



Rep. G. Hodges



Rep. D. Meeks



Rep. Petty



Rep. Richmond



Rep. Scott



Rep. B. Smith



Rep. Sullivan



Rep. Wallace



Rep. Womack

Senate



Sen. A. Clark



Sen. Collins-Smith



Sen. Cooper



Sen. Flippo



Sen. Hester



Sen. Rice

V – Notes on Methodology

Legislators are presented with a number of different options when asked to vote, and these options invite different interpretations. Our interpretation is that elected legislators are faced with the moral responsibility to express their views on legislation publicly through their votes. In general, we counted a refusal to vote or a “present” vote as a NO vote.

Our Freedom Rating does not give more weight to some votes than to others. It is certainly true that some of the votes described above deal with weightier or more important issues than others. But we decided that if we started giving different weights to different votes, we would be setting ourselves up for some difficulties: we were concerned that we not only wouldn't know where to start, but that we wouldn't know when to stop. In the end, we decided to give the same weight to each vote, on the theory that this is probably the least unsatisfactory alternative. Some readers of this report might object that we should have put additional votes in or left certain votes out. Because the methodology of this report is straightforward and transparent, those who object to our methods are free to add in or leave out their chosen floor votes and then calculate their own results.

Our method is confined to the examination of a small fraction of floor votes. Most bills that reach the floor are of a technical nature; they do not clearly advance or hamper the

values of liberty and good government. We calculated a raw score, based on a floor vote for or against each bill, that was relevant to the values we measured. For each vote that we thought advanced these values, we added 1 to a legislator's Freedom Rating. To repeat, House and Senate Freedom Ratings are not meaningfully comparable across chambers.

This report treats all legislators equally, rather than weighing them according to leadership, committee membership, rank, or bill sponsorship. This reflects the structure of the legislature itself, where the roll call assigns every member exactly one vote. Although leadership and the setting of priorities is a vital part of legislative service, these highly subjective matters do not lend themselves to objective measurement. Any attempt to quantify such subjective matters runs the risk of sacrificing the impartiality and objectivity of a study of voting behavior. Ultimately, voting records provide the best data for objective analysis.

It is traditional that the Speaker of the House rarely casts a roll-call vote on legislation on the House floor. We therefore did not research Speaker Jeremy Gillam's votes or calculate a score for him. Similarly, because Senator Greg Standridge was not sworn into the state Senate until the regular session was near its end, we did not calculate a score for him.

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