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2014 Legislative Summary and Scorecard

Summary of Scored Bills

HB2150; Empowerment Scholarship Accounts; Military Families

This bill expanded the school voucher program titled "Empowerment Scholarship Accounts" eligibility requirements to include the children of active duty military

HB2281: Leased Religious Property; Class Nine

This measure, which would've expanded religious privilege in tax law by giving churches who lease property a property tax exemption, narrowly passed the House and Senate chambers.

HB2284; Abortion clinics; inspections; minors; reporting

This measure, which opens the door to harassment of women seeking legal health services and to the providers who serve them by allowing surprise inspections of abortion clinics.

HB2291/SB1236; Empowerment Scholarships; Expansion

This flagship school voucher bill (concurrent in House/Senate versions) would've expanded school vouchers to almost any student in Arizona.

HB2328; STOs; Grants; Corporate Tax credit

This measure expands the eligibility requirements for receiving a private school tuition scholarship.

HB2565; Manslaughter; Assisting Suicide

This measure modifies the definition of manslaughter by stating that a person commits the offense by intentionally offering or providing the physical means that another person uses to commit suicide, with the knowledge that the person intends to commit suicide

SB1048; Tax Credits; STOs; Preapproval; Entities

Allows an individual shareholder of an S corporation to receive an income tax credit equal to the pro rata amount of contributions made by the S corporation. The purpose of the measure is to provide an individual credit for business contributions to STOs.

HB2153/SB1062: Exercise of Religion; State Action

This measure would've legalized discrimination by a business in the hiring, firing, or providing services to a person based on the religious beliefs of the owner. The result would be legal discrimination, frivolous lawsuits, and it would hurt Arizona's economy and reputation.

SB1237; Empowerment Scholarships; Revisions

This bill provides clarifying language to avoid misinterpretation of statute on the private school voucher program. The intent of the bill is to ensure that these vouchers will not be misused.

About the Scorecard

In order to give a fair picture of how legislators voted on Secular Issues, we only list the bills that were heard and voted on for 3rd Read (also known as a "floor vote"). All legislators had the chance to vote on issues important to the Secular Community.

We used simple math to figure the Secular Score for each legislator. The legislator's score is derived by taking the votes in favor of secular public policy and divide by the total number of votes on secular public policy.

**Note: "NV" means the legislator did not vote on the bill. It does not imply a "yes" or a "no" vote, and therefore we did not include this bill in their score.

✓ indicates the legislator voted in favor of Secular Public Policy

× indicates the legislator did NOT vote in favor of Secular Public Policy

Secular Credit - ★ Some legislators receive "Secular Credit" for taking extra steps to support Secular Public Policy.

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House Votes

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Allen	15	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Alston	24	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Barton	6	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Borrelli	5	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Boyer	20	R	NV	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	25%	
Brophy McGee	28	R	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	56%	
Campbell	24	D	✓	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Cardenas	19	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	★
Carter	15	R	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	56%	
Clinco	2	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	100%	
Coleman	16	R	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	22%	
Chavira Contreras	19	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Dial	18	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Escamilla	4	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Fann	1	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Farnsworth	12	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Forese	17	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Gabaldón	2	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Gallego*	27	D	NV	NV	NV	N/A	✓	N/A	N/A	✓	N/A	100%	★
Gonzales	3	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Goodale	5	R	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	22%	
Gowan	14	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Gray	21	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Hale	7	D	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	89%	
Hernandez	29	D	NV	✓	NV	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	86%	
Kavanagh	23	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Kwasman	11	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	NV	13%	
Larkin	30	D	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	89%	
Lesko	21	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Livingston	22	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	

*Rep. Ruben Gallego resigned 3/14/14. N/A refers to votes which occurred after his resignation.

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Lovas	22	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Mach	10	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	★
McCune Davis	30	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	100%	
Mendez	26	D	✓	✓	✓	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	★
Mesnard	17	R	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	22%	
Meyer	28	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	NV	87.5%	
Miranda	27	D	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	NV	56%	
Mitchell	13	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Montenegro	13	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Muñoz*	27	D	✗	N/A	N/A	✓	✓	N/A	✓	N/A	✓	83%	
Olson	25	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Orr	9	R	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	44%	
Otondo	4	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Peshlaki	7	D	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	89%	
Petersen	12	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Pierce	25	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Pratt	8	R	NV	✗	NV	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	29%	
Quezada	29	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Robson	18	R	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	22%	
Saldate	3	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Seel	20	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Sherwood	26	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Shope	8	R	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	22%	
Smith	11	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Steele	9	D	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	89%	
Stevens	14	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Thorpe	6	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Tobin	1	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Townsend	16	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Ugenti	23	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	22%	
Wheeler	10	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	★

*Rep. Norma Munoz appointed 3/19/14 to replace Rep. Gallego. N/A refers to votes which occurred before her appointment.

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Senate Votes

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Ableser	26	D	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	NV	100%	
Barto	15	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Begay	7	D	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	89%	
Biggs	12	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Bradley	10	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Burges	22	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Cajero Bedford	3	D	✓	✓	✓	NV	NV	✓	✓	✓	✗	88%	★
Crandell	6	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Dalessandro	2	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	89%	
Driggs	28	R	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	33%	
Farley	9	D	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	89%	
Farnsworth	16	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Gallardo	29	D	NV	✓	✓	NV	NV	NV	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Griffin	14	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Hobbs	24	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Landrum Taylor	27	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
McComish	18	R	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	33%	
McGuire	8	D	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Melvin	11	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Meza	30	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Murphy	21	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Pancrazi	4	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	89%	
Pierce	1	R	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	44%	
Reagan	23	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	NV	NV	0%	
Shooter	13	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Tovar	19	D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%	
Ward	5	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Worsley	25	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	22%	
Yarbrough	17	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	
Yee	20	R	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	11%	