
2019



LEGISLATIVE SCORES AND WRAP-UP

How Legislators Were Scored

Secular AZ monitored dozens of legislative issues and bills of interest this session. **Only 10 bills— mostly those we opposed— made it to a committee hearing. Of those ten, three went to a full floor vote.**

Our legislative scorecard typically assigns lawmakers a percentage-based secular score based on their votes with or against us on the floor. Given the low number of secular interest bills that made it to a full floor vote this year, a different system was devised for 2019 to give constituents the most accurate idea possible as to how lawmakers represented their interests.

This system gives or subtracts points for pro- or anti- secular actions taken this session. These actions include:

- **Floor votes** (1 point each +/-)
- **Committee votes** (1 point each +/-)
- **Assignment of bills to committee (House Speaker and Senate President)** (1 point +/-)
- **Scheduling bills for hearing (committee chairs)** (1 point +/-)
- **Bill sponsorship** (2 points for prime sponsorship; 1 point for co-sponsorship +/-)
- **Secular invocations delivered** (1 point)
- **Attendance at our Secular Studies program** (1 point)
- **Other special actions as indicated**

Points are added for each pro-secular action (i.e. voting with us on a bill), and subtracted for each anti-secular action. (i.e., a vote against us or the introduction of an anti-secular bill.)

Please note that this method will not necessarily produce a statistically even playing field for every lawmaker. (Committee members, for example, will have been given many more opportunities to earn or lose points than the rest of the legislature.) However, we still feel the results will give our constituency a useful tool for determining who our staunchest allies and opponents are in the current Legislature.

Details about the bills and other criteria used for scoring can be found in the descriptions below, which will also tell the story of our work overall at the Capitol in 2019.

Thank you so much,
-The Secular AZ Government Affairs Team



2019 House

✓ = vote with us

(1 point)

✗ = vote against us

(-1 point)

1 = HB2759: appropriations; direct services; referrals — *fake clinics*

2 = SB1346: school; assessments; instruction; reporting — *no promo homo repeal*

3 = SB1485: school tuition organization; inflator — *STO cap*

4 = HB2015: school employees; statements; employee discipline — *school speech*

5 = HB2759: appropriations; direct services; referrals — *fake clinics (committee)*

6 = HB2470: schools; immunization; religious exemption — *immunization exemptions*

P. = Score for bills prime sponsored (two points each)

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Athena Salman	26 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	3	15	-	1	6	-	32
P. Powers Hannley	9 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	3	7	-	-	4	-	21
Randall Friese	9 D	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	-	1	6	-	2	4	-	20
Arlando Teller	7 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	1	12	-	-	1	-	18
Daniel Hernandez	2 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	1	10	-	-	1	2	18
Alma Hernandez	3 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	1	10	-	-	1	-	17
Charlene R. Fernandez	4 D	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	-	-	6	-	1	4	-	16
Lorenzo Sierra	19 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	12	-	-	-	-	15
Richard C. Andrade	29 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	3	-	15
Rosanna Gabaldón	2 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	11	-	-	1	-	15
Isela Blanc	26 D	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	5	-	1	3	-	14
Jennifer Longdon	24 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	7	-	1	2	-	14
Reginald Bolding, Jr.	27 D	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	7	-	-	3	-	14
Geraldine Peten	4 D	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	1	7	-	-	-	-	13
Kirsten Engel	10 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	5	-	2	1	-	13
Raquel Terán	30 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	1	7	-	-	-	-	12
Andres Cano	3 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	1	-	11
César Chávez	29 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	2	3	-	-	1	-	11
Diego Rodriguez	27 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	-	-	11
Aaron Lieberman	28 D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	1	1	-	-	2	-	10
Jennifer Jermaine	18 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	10
Myron Tsosie	7 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	-	9
Amish Shah	24 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	-	2	-	-	2	-	8
Diego Espinoza	19 D	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	-	-	3	-	-	1	-	8
Kelli Butler	28 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	✓	-	2	-	-	2	-	8
Noel Campbell	1 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	7
Mitzi Epstein	18 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	6
Jennifer Pawlik	17 D	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	6
Domingo DeGrazia	10 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	5
Robert Meza	30 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3

*Daniel Hernandez receives two special points for spearheading coalition to repeal "no promo homo"

2019 House (continued)

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Walter Blackman	6 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	2
T.J. Shope	8 R	✗	✓	✓	✗	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	2
Bob Thorpe	6 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
David L. Cook	8 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Jeff Weninger	17 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Joanne Osborne	13 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Kevin Payne	21 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Leo Biasiucci	5 R	✗	✓	✓	✗	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Steve Pierce	1 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Timothy M. Dunn	13 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Tony Rivero	21 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Travis W. Grantham	12 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Becky A. Nutt	14 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	✗	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Ben Toma	22 R	✗	✓	✓	-	✗	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Gail Griffin	14 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	✗	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Jay Lawrence	23 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	✗	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
John Allen	15 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	✗	-	-	-	-	-	-	0
Shawna Bolick	20 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-1	-	-	-	-	0
Frank Carroll	22 R	✗	✓	✓	✗	-	-	-	-1	-	-	-	-	-1
Mark Finchem	11 R	✗	✗	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1
Warren Petersen	12 R	✗	✗	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1
Anthony Kern	20 R	✗	✗	✓	-	✗	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2
Bret Roberts	11 R	✗	✗	✓	-	✗	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2
Regina Cobb	5 R	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	-	-	-	-1	-	-	-	-2
John Fillmore	16 R	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-3
Kelly Townsend	16 R	✗	✓	✓	✗	-	-	-2	-	-	-	-	-	-4
Michelle Udall	25 R	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	-	-1	-	-1	-	-	-	-4
Nancy Barto	15 R	✗	✓	✓	✗	-	✗	-1	-1	-1	-	-	-	-5
John Kavanagh	23 R	✗	✓	✓	-	✗	-	-1	-	-	-	-	-10*	-12
Russell Bowers	25 R	✗	✓	✓	-	-	-	-1	-	-17	-	-	-	-18

*10 points subtracted from Rep. Kavanagh's score for unapologetically mocking the nontheistic community and for mocking a sincere secular invocation.



2019 Senate

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- 4 = SB1114: schools; immunization; religious exemption — *immunization exemptions*
- 5 = SB1485: school tuition organization; inflator — *STO cap*
- 6 = SB1395: empowerment scholarship accounts; program revisions — *ESA expansion*
- 7 = SB1320: empowerment scholarships; oversight; state treasurer — *ESA oversight to treasurer*
- 8 = HB2032 (4/2 Senate Appropriations striker) — *classroom speech*

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Juan Mendez	26 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	8	8	-	1	9	38
Martin Quezada	29 D	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	10	-	1	6	25
Andrea Dalessandro	2 D	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	2	7	22
Victoria Steele	9 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	2	11	-	1	2	22
Rebecca Rios	27 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	1	8	-	-	7	20
Lela Alston	24 D	✓	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	2	6	-	-	2	19
Sally Ann Gonzales	3 D	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	12	-	1	1	19
David Bradley	10 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	3	5	18
Lisa Otondo	4 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	✓	-	6	-	-	6	16
Sean Bowie	18 D	✓	NV	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	✓	1	4	-	-	2	14
Tony Navarrete	30 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	-	2	13
Jamescita Peshlakai	7 D	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	-	1	-	13
Lupe Contreras	19 D	NV	✓	✓	-	✓	✓	✓	-	-	4	-	-	-	9
Kate Brophy McGee	28 R	✓	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	7
Heather Carter	15 R	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	X	-	2	-	-	1	5
Karen Fann	1 R	X	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	3	-	-	3
Frank Pratt	8 R	X	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
J.D. Mesnard	17 R	X	✓	✓	-	✓	X	X	-	0	-	0	-	-	0
Rick Gray	21 R	X	✓	✓	X	-	-	-	-	-	-1	-	-	-	-1
Paul Boyer	20 R	X	✓	✓	X	✓	X	X	-	-	-2	-	1	-	-1
Tyler Pace	25 R	X	X	✓	X	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-2
Sine Kerr	13 R	X	X	✓	-	-	-	-	X	-	-	-	-	-	-2
Sonny Borrelli	5 R	X	X	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-1	-	-	-	-2
David Farnsworth	16 R	X	X	✓	-	✓	X	X	-	-	-1	-	-	-	-3
Michelle Ugenti-Rita	23 R	X	X	✓	-	NV	X	X	X	-	-	-	-	-	-4
Vince Leach	11 R	X	X	✓	-	✓	X	X	X	-	-1	-	-	-	-4
David Gowan	14 R	X	X	✓	-	-	-	-	X	-1	-	-1	-	-	-5
Eddie Farnsworth	12 R	X	X	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-6	-	1	-6
David Livingston	22 R	X	X	✓	-	✓	X	X	X	-1	-1	-1	-	-	-7
Sylvia Allen	6 R	X	X	✓	X	-	-	-	-	-2	-1	-3	-	-	-10

Secular-Supported Bills

RECEIVED A FLOOR VOTE

HB2457: SCHOOL INSTRUCTION; AIDS; HOMOSEXUALITY.

SB1346: SCHOOL; ASSESSMENTS; INSTRUCTION; REPORTING (AMENDED)



Sponsors: H2457 by Rep. Arlando Teller (D-7); floor amendment to S1346 by Rep. TJ Shope (R-8)

Background: Struck down state bans on teaching about homosexuality as a positive lifestyle and teaching safer methods of homosexual sex in K-12 HIV/AIDS education. Such a bill was required to be heard after the State Attorney General declined to defend the prior law from a lawsuit.

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Position: Support

Actions : Constituent action alerts

Status: SIGNED INTO LAW. SB1346 passed quickly with broad support after its introduction, with only a handful of conservative lawmakers voting no.

Additional notes: Additional credit for floor amendment's introduction to Rep. Daniel Hernandez (D-2) for leading the coalition and securing support for passage.

SB1485: SCHOOL TUITION ORGANIZATION; INFLATOR

Prime sponsor: Sen. Mesnard (R-17)

Background: Would have slowed the expansion of School Tuition Organizations (STOs) by gradually lowering the cap on tax credits for STOs through 2024.

Actions: Action alert; requested RTS support.

Status: SIGNED INTO LAW. SB1485 passed Senate and House unanimously and was transmitted to the Governor on 5/24.

Secular-Supported Bills

ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE BUT NOT HEARD

SB1462: ADOT; SPECIAL PLATE DATABASE; REPORT

Primary Sponsor: Sen. Mendez (D-26)

Co-Sponsors: Sen. Alston (D-24), Rep. Andrade (D-29), Sen. Dalessandro (D-2), Rep. Gabaldon (D-2), Sen. Gonzales (D-3), Rep. Jermaine (D-18), Rep. Longdon (D-24), Sen. Navarrete (D-30), Sen. Peshlakai (D-7), Rep. Peten (D-4), Rep. Powers Hannley (D-9), Sen. Quezada (D-29), Sen. Rios (D-27), Rep. Salman (D-26), Rep. Sierra (D-19), Sen. Steele (D-9), Rep. Terán (D-30)

Background: One of our cornerstone issues of the session. Secular AZ helped create and introduce this bill in response to our discovery that Arizona's "In God We Trust" charity license plate was covertly funding anti-LGBTQ religious hate group Alliance Defending Freedom.

SB1462 would have required ADOT to establish a publicly available online database of information pertaining to charity license plates, including the name and mission statement of each entity receiving funds from a plate— information not previously available in any way to the public.

Actions taken: Secular AZ identified this issue, helped draft and introduce this bill and its companion SB1463 (not assigned to committee). We lobbied directly; sent numerous action alerts; held a press conference on Secular Day at the Capitol featuring interfaith, nonreligious leaders, and lawmakers; coached constituents to lobby lawmakers in person during Day at the Capitol; created website, billboard, and pamphlet campaign spreading public awareness of the issue; obtained earned media nationally.

Status: BILL FAILED. OBJECTIVE ACCOMPLISHED ADMINISTRATIVELY. SB1462 was assigned to Transportation/Public Safety (chair: Livingston), but did not receiving a hearing. However, with the help of Sen. Mendez (D-26), we were successful in administratively forcing the disclosure of charity plate recipient organizations on the ADOT website.



Secular-Supported Bills



ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE BUT NOT HEARD

SB1047: SEXUAL ORIENTATION; CONVERSION THERAPY; PROHIBITION

Background: Would have levied “unprofessional conduct” marks on therapists prescribing gay “conversion therapy.” (Mirror to HB2658.)

Prime sponsor: Sen Bowie (D-18) **Co-sponsors:** Sen. Brophy McGee (R-28), Sen. Carter (R-15), Rep. D. Hernandez (D-2)

Status: No hearing (Senate Judiciary, Chair: E. Farnsworth).

SB1120: ABORTION; PARENTAL CONSENT; COUNSELING EXCEPTION

Background: Allowing minors to receive abortion counseling without parental consent.

Prime sponsor: Sen. Mendez (D-26) **Co-Sponsors:** Sen. Gonzales (D-3), Rep. A. Hernandez (D-3), Sen. Navarrete (D-30), Sen. Quezada (D-29), Rep. Salman (D-26), Rep. Sierra (D-19), Sen. Steele (D-9), Rep. Teller (D-7)

Status: No hearing (Senate Judiciary, Chair: E. Farnsworth).

SB1121: ABORTION; PARENTAL CONSENT; EXCEPTION

Background: Allowing minors to receive abortion counseling without parental consent.

Prime sponsor: Sen. Mendez (D-26) **Co-Sponsors:** Rep. A. Hernandez (D-3), Sen. Navarrete (D-30), Sen. Quezada (D-29), Rep. Salman (D-26), Rep. Sierra (D-19), Sen. Steele (D-9), Rep. Teller (D-7)

Status: No hearing (Senate Judiciary, Chair: E. Farnsworth).

Secular-Supported Bills



ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE BUT NOT HEARD

SB1123: NURSING BOARD; RULES; ABORTION

Background: The Board of Nursing is no longer prohibited from deciding scope of practice relating to abortion.

Prime sponsor: Sen. Mendez (D-26) **Co-Sponsors:** Sen. Alston (D-24), Sen. Gonzales (D-3), Rep. A. Hernandez (D-3), Rep. Jermaine (D-18), Sen. Navarrete (D-30), Sen. Quezada (D-29), Sen. Rios (D-27), Rep. Salman (D-26), Rep. Sierra (D-19), Sen. Steele (D-9), Rep. Teller (D-7), Rep. Tsosie (D-7)

Status: No hearing (Senate Judiciary, Chair: E. Farnsworth).

SB1124: HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS; PREGNANCY; ULTRASOUNDS

Background: Certification requirements for ultrasounds in anti-choice faux healthcare centers.

Prime sponsor: Sen. Mendez (D-26) **Co-Sponsors:** Sen. Alston (D-24), Rep. Butler (D-28), Sen. Gonzales (D-3), Rep. A. Hernandez (D-3), Rep. Jermaine (D-18), Sen. Navarrete (D-30), Sen. Quezada (D-29), Sen. Rios (D-27), Rep. Salman (D-26), Rep. Sierra (D-19), Sen. Steele (D-9), Rep. Teller (D-7), Rep. Tsosie (D-7)

Status: No hearing (Senate Judiciary, Chair: E. Farnsworth).

SB1193: CARE CHOICES; TERMINALLY ILL PATIENTS

Background: Legalizing and defining processes for end of life options.

Prime sponsor: Sen. Mendez (D-26) **Co-Sponsors:** Sen. Dalessandro (D-2), Sen. Rios (D-27), Rep. Rodriguez (D-27), Rep. Salman (D-26)

Status: No hearing (Senate Judiciary; Chair: E. Farnsworth).

Secular-Supported Bills



ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE BUT NOT HEARD

SB1252: SCHOOLS; SEX EDUCATION CURRICULUM

Background: Comprehensive sex-ed requirements for K-12.

Prime sponsor: Sen. Steele (D-9) **Co-Sponsors:** Sen. Bradley (D-10), Rep. Cano (D-3), Rep. Chavez (D-29), Sen. Contreras (D-19), Rep. Engel (D-10), Rep. Gabaldon (D-2), Rep. A. Hernandez (D-3), Sen. Otondo (D-4), Sen. Peshlakai (D-7), Rep. Powers Hannley (D-9), Rep. Rodriguez (D-27), Rep. Sierra (D-19), Rep. Teller (D-7), Rep. Tsosie (D-7)

Status: No hearing (Senate Education, Chair: Rep. Allen).

SB1387: TEXTBOOKS; REPRESENTATION; DISABILITIES; SEXUAL ORIENTATION

Background: Textbooks and supplemental materials that are selected by governing boards for common schools and high schools are required to include fair, accurate, inclusive and respectful representations of persons with disabilities and persons who are lesbian, gay, bisexual or transgender.

Prime sponsor: Sen. Alston (D-24) **Co-Sponsors:** Sen. Bowie (D-18), Sen. Bradley (D-10), Sen. Contreras (D-19), Sen. Dalessandro (D-2), Sen. Gonzales (D-3), Sen. Mendez (D-26), Sen. Navarrete (D-30), Sen. Otondo (D-4), Sen. Peshlakai (D-7), Sen. Quezada (D-29), Sen. Rios (D-27), Sen. Steele (D-9)

Status: No hearing (Senate Education, Chair: Allen).

SB1500: ABORTION; RELIGIOUS EMPLOYERS; CONTRACEPTION; REPEAL

Background: Numerous changes rolling back abortion restrictions and contraception-related healthcare exemptions for religious employers.

Prime sponsor: Sen. Steele (D-9) **Co-Sponsors:** Sen. Alston (D-24), Sen. Bradley (D-10), Sen. Contreras (D-19), Sen. Dalessandro (D-2), Sen. Gonzales (D-3), Sen. Mendez (D-26), Sen. Otondo (D-4), Sen. Peshlakai (D-7), Sen. Quezada (D-29)

Status: No hearing (Senate Judiciary; Chair: E. Farnsworth).

Secular-Supported Bills

NOT ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

HB2546 & SB1249: ANTIDISCRIMINATION;
EMPLOYMENT; HOUSING; PUBLIC
ACCOMMODATIONS

Prime sponsor (SB2546): Rep. D. Hernandez (D-2)
Co-Sponsors: Rep. Butler (D-28), Rep. Cano (D-3),
Rep. Chavez (D-29), Rep. Jermaine (D-18), Rep.
Lieberman (D-28), Rep. Meza (D-30), Rep. Teller
(D-7)



Prime sponsor (SB1249): Sen. Brophy McGee (R-28) **Co-sponsors:** Sen. Bowie (D-18), Sen. Carter
(R-15), Rep. D. Hernandez (D-2), Sen. Navarrete (D-30)

Background: Would have added protections for the LGBTQ community to non-discrimination statute regarding employment, housing, public accommodations.

Actions: Constituent action alerts thanking lawmakers supporting the bill and encouraging other to support a hearing.

Status: Not assigned.

SB1463: REPEAL; GOD WE TRUST PLATES

Primary Sponsor: Sen. Mendez (D-26) **Co-sponsors:** Sen. Dalessandro (D-2), Rep. Gabaldon (D-2),
Rep. Longdon (D-24), Sen. Otondo (D-4), Sen. Peshlakai (D-7), Rep. Peten (D-4), Rep. Powers Hannley
(D-9), Sen. Quezada (D-29), Sen. Rios (D-27), Rep. Salman (D-26), Rep. Sierra (D-19), Sen. Steele (D-9)

Background: Introduced as part of the same campaign as SB1462. Would have repealed the "In God We Trust" license plate.

Actions taken: See SB1462

Status: Not assigned.

Secular-Supported Bills



NOT ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

HB2185: STO; INCOME TAX CREDIT CAP

Background: Would have capped growth of STOs at the greater of either the percentage of the annual increase in the metropolitan Phoenix consumer price index or two percent annually. (It was previously set to 20%.)

Prime sponsor: Rep. Udall (R-25) **Co-Sponsors:** Rep. Biasiucci (R-5), Rep. Blackman (R-6)

Status: Not assigned.

HB2254: STO CAP; GENERAL FUND PERCENTAGE

Background: Would have capped STO credits by tying them to legislative appropriations.

Prime sponsor: Rep. Friese (D-9) **Co-Sponsors:** Rep. Andrade (D-29), Rep. Blanc (D-26), Rep. Bolding (D-27), Rep. Cano (D-3), Rep. Espinoza (D-19), Rep. Fernandez (D-4), Rep. Salman (D-26)

Status: Not assigned.

HB2324: STO CAP; EDUCATION FUNDING

Background: Another STO cap similar to H2185.

Prime sponsor: Rep. Lieberman (D-28) **Co-Sponsors:** Sen. Bowie (D-18), Rep. Pawlik (D-17), Sen. Quezada (D-29), Rep. Rodriguez (D-27), Rep. Salman (D-26)

Status: Not assigned.

Secular-Supported Bills



NOT ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

HB2332: ABORTION; RELIGIOUS EMPLOYERS; CONTRACEPTION; REPEAL

Background: Numerous changes rolling back severe abortion restrictions and employer contraception coverage exemptions.

Prime sponsor: Rep. Salman (D-26) **Co-Sponsors:** Rep. Andrade (D-29), Rep. Bolding (D-27), Rep. Cano (D-3), Rep. DeGrazia (D-10), Rep. Engel (D-10), Rep. Fernandez (D-4), Rep. Friese (D-9), Rep. Gabaldon (D-2), Rep. A. Hernandez (D-3), Rep. D. Hernandez (D-2), Rep. Jermaine (D-18), Rep. Longdon (D-24), Sen. Mendez (D-26), Rep. Peten (D-4), Rep. Powers Hannley (D-9), Rep. Rodriguez (D-27), Rep. Sierra (D-19), Rep. Teller (D-7), Rep. Terán (D-30), Rep. Tsosie (D-7)

Status: Not assigned.

HB2337: FAMILY PLANNING; GRANT DISTRIBUTION; REPEAL

Background: Would have repealed statute requiring the ADHS to apply for Federal grants for family planning services, and to distribute the monies according to AZ statute.

Prime sponsor: Rep. Salman (D-26) **Co-Sponsors:** Rep. Andrade (D-29), Rep. Bolding (D-27), Rep. Cano (D-3), Rep. DeGrazia (D-10), Rep. Engel (D-10), Rep. Epstein (D-18), Rep. Fernandez (D-4), Rep. Friese (D-9), Rep. Gabaldon (D-2), Rep. A. Hernandez (D-3), Rep. D. Hernandez (D-2), Rep. Jermaine (D-18), Rep. Longdon (D-24), Sen. Mendez (D-26), Rep. Peten (D-4), Rep. Powers Hannley (D-9), Rep. Rodriguez (D-27), Rep. Sierra (D-19), Rep. Teller (D-7), Rep. Terán (D-30), Rep. Tsosie (D-7)

Status: Not assigned.

HB2408: END-OF-LIFE DECISIONS; TERMINALLY ILL PATIENTS

Background: Would have established process for qualifying patients to request medication to end their own life.

Prime sponsor: Rep. Powers Hannley (D-9) **Co-Sponsors:** Rep. Andrade (D-29), Rep. Blanc (D-26), Rep. Cano (D-3), Rep. Engel (D-10), Rep. Friese (D-9), Rep. Gabaldon (D-2), Sen. Gonzales (D-3), Rep. Peten (D-4), Rep. Rodriguez (D-27), Rep. Salman (D-26), Rep. Teller (D-7), Rep. Terán (D-30)

Status: Not assigned.

Secular-Supported Bills



NOT ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

HB2415: HEALTH CARE PROVIDERS; RELIGIOUS BELIEFS

Background: Would have forced healthcare entities to disclose a list of services they will not perform due to religious beliefs and for insurers to provide this list to patients.

Prime sponsor: Rep. Powers Hannley (D-9) **Co-Sponsors:** Rep. Andrade (D-29), Rep. Blanc (D-26), Rep. Engel (D-10), Rep. Friese (D-9), Rep. Gabaldon (D-2), Sen. Gonzales (D-3), Rep. Peten (D-4), Rep. Rodriguez (D-27), Rep. Salman (D-26), Rep. Teller (D-7), Rep. Terán (D-30)

Status: Not assigned.

HB2512: TERMINALLY ILL PATIENTS; CARE CHOICES

Background: Another end-of-life options bill similar to HB2408.

Prime sponsor: Rep. A. Hernandez (D-3) **Co-Sponsors:** Rep. D. Hernandez (D-2), Rep. Teller (D-7), Rep. Tsosie (D-7)

Status: Not assigned.

HB2578: SCHOOLS; SEX EDUCATION

Background: Requirements for accurate, comprehensive sex education in public schools.

Prime sponsor: Rep. Powers Hannley (D-9) **Co-Sponsors:** Sen. Alston (D-24), Rep. Andrade (D-29), Rep. Blanc (D-26), Rep. Cano (D-3), Rep. Chavez (D-29), Rep. Fernandez (D-4), Rep. Friese (D-9), Rep. Gabaldon (D-2), Rep. A. Hernandez (D-3), Rep. Longdon (D-24), Sen. Mendez (D-26), Rep. Pawlik (D-17), Rep. Salman (D-26), Rep. Shah (D-24), Rep. Sierra (D-19), Sen. Steele (D-9), Rep. Terán (D-30)

Status: Not assigned.

Secular-Supported Bills



NOT ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

HB2656: ABORTION; REASON; REPORT; REPEAL

Background: Would have rolled back abortion reporting requirements that forced women to answer a series of intrusive and shaming questions.

Prime sponsor: Rep. Peten (D-4) **Co-Sponsors:** Rep. Bolding (D-27), Rep. Espinoza (D-19), Rep. Gabaldon (D-2), Rep. D. Hernandez (D-2), Rep. Jermaine (D-18), Rep. Powers Hannley (D-9), Rep. Salman (D-26), Rep. Teller (D-7)

Status: Not assigned.

HB2658: SEXUAL ORIENTATION; CONVERSION THERAPY; PROHIBITION

Background: Would have levied “unprofessional conduct” marks on therapists prescribing gay “conversion therapy.”

Prime sponsor: Rep. Chavez (D-29) **Co-Sponsors:** Rep. A. Hernandez (D-3), Rep. D. Hernandez (D-2), Rep. Longdon (D-24)

Status: Not assigned.

HB2716: ABORTION; CRIMINAL ACTS; REPEAL

Background: Would have officially repealed archaic anti-abortion laws nullified by Roe v. Wade.

Prime sponsor: Rep. Salman (D-26)

Status: Not assigned.

Secular-Supported Bills



NOT ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

HB2739: SCHOOLS; HEALTH EDUCATION CURRICULUM

Background: Would have repealed “no promo homo” statute and replaced it with a comprehensive sex ed requirement.

Prime sponsor: Rep. D. Hernandez (D-2)

Status: Not assigned.

HCR2016: MARRIAGE REQUIREMENT; REPEAL

Background: Would have created a ballot question asking whether to repeal “one man, one woman” marriage definition in Arizona constitution.

Prime sponsor: Rep. Chavez (D-29) Co-Sponsors: Rep. Andrade (D-29), Rep. Bolding (D-27), Rep. Epstein (D-18), Rep. Espinoza (D-19), Rep. Gabaldon (D-2), Sen. Gonzales (D-3), Rep. A. Hernandez (D-3), Rep. D. Hernandez (D-2), Rep. Rodriguez (D-27), Rep. Sierra (D-19), Rep. Teller (D-7)

Status: Not assigned.

SB1389: EMPLOYMENT; HOUSING; PUBLIC ACCOMMODATIONS; ANTIDISCRIMINATION

Background: Would have added “sexual orientation,” “gender identity,” and “veteran status” to statewide nondiscrimination statute. (Similar to SB1249.)

Prime sponsor: Sen. Alston (D-24) Co-Sponsors: Sen. Bowie (D-18), Sen. Bradley (D-10), Sen. Contreras (D-19), Sen. Dalessandro (D-2), Sen. Gonzales (D-3), Sen. Mendez (D-26), Sen. Navarrete (D-30), Sen. Otondo (D-4), Sen. Peshlakai (D-7), Sen. Quezada (D-29), Sen. Rios (D-27), Sen. Steele (D-9)

Status: Not assigned.

Secular-Supported Bills

NOT ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

SB1455: ABORTION; OBJECTION; PHARMACISTS; REPEAL

Background: Would have banned pharmacies from refusing to refuse to provide contraception or abortion-related services on religious grounds.

Prime sponsor: Sen. Rios (D-27) Co-Sponsors: Sen. Alston (D-24), Rep. Andrade (D-29), Sen. Gonzales (D-3), Sen. Mendez (D-26), Sen. Otondo (D-4), Sen. Steele (D-9)

Status: Not assigned.



Secular-Opposed Bills

HEARD ON THE FLOOR

HB2759: APPROPRIATIONS; DIRECT SERVICES; REFERRALS



Sponsors: Sen. Gowan (R-14) and Rep. Udall (R-25)

Background: Mirror bills were introduced and championed by religious lobby group Center for Arizona Policy (CAP) at the end of session as lawmakers began debating the budget. The legislation would have given a \$7.5 million dollar grant (\$2.5 annually for three years) to an organization to create a “family health pilot program,” intended to “support childbirth as an alternative to abortion.” The half-page legislation specified no oversight of the grantee whatsoever, no or any licensure requirements. In reality—and by the bill sponsor’s own admission—this legislation was created by religious non-profit Human Coalition, which uses geo-targeting to push women searching for pregnancy information toward faux women’s health clinics; Human Coalition also owns and operates several of these faux women’s health clinics. These fake healthcare centers use unlicensed ultrasound technicians, false advertising, and various high-pressure persuasive techniques to impose an anti-abortion agenda on women seeking pregnancy options. Often this involves presenting women with inaccurate or deliberately misleading medical information.

Actions taken: Signed in against; numerous action alerts to constituents urging contact with legislators; spoke in hearing as only voice of opposition; direct lobbying behind the scenes with key lawmakers; press release; sustained social media campaign; obtained national media attention.

Status: FAILED. HB2759 passed Appropriations 7-4; amended bill passed on party lines in House, failed in Senate due to “no” votes from key Senators Carter (R-15) and Brophy McGee (R-28).

Secular-Opposed Bills

HEARD IN COMMITTEE

HB2015: SCHOOL EMPLOYEES; STATEMENTS; EMPLOYEE DISCIPLINE

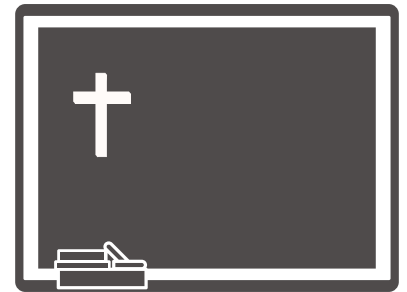
HB2032 (4/2 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS STRIKER)

Sponsor: Kelli Townsend (R-16)

Background: Would have added to statute a provision to ban school employees from using "speech with the intent of influencing or changing a student's political ideology or religious belief." Teachers (later amended to school districts) would have been fined up to \$5,000 per violation.

Actions: Constituent action alerts

Status: FAILED. HB2015 passed House Education; was withdrawn from House Judiciary in February; language was revived as an amendment to HB2032 in April, which stalled after passing Senate Appropriations.



HB2470 & SB1114: SCHOOLS; IMMUNIZATION; RELIGIOUS EXEMPTION

Prime sponsor: Rep. Barto (R-15); Sen. Boyer (R-20)

Co-sponsor: Sen. Boyer (R-20); Rep. Barto (R-15)

Background: This bill was part of a series introduced this session serving the anti-vaccine movement. HB2470 would have allowed parents who state a religious objection to opt-out of providing of immunization for their children to public schools.

Actions: Signed in against; sent numerous constituent action alerts (generating over 1,000 responses).

Status: FAILED. SB1114 failed in Senate Education 4-4; HB2470 passed House HHS 5-4; died in House after Governor made a public promise to veto the bill.



Secular-Opposed Bills



HEARD IN COMMITTEE

SB1395: EMPOWERMENT SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNTS; PROGRAM REVISIONS

Prime sponsor: Sen. S. Allen (R-6)

Background: Would have further expanded eligibility for Empowerment Scholarship Accounts (school vouchers) to reach students on the attendance boundaries of school districts containing “D” and “F”-rated schools, rather than just students attending the schools themselves. Would have expanded list of authorized purchases with ESA money. Would have granted “third parties” privileges to handle the ESA application process. Would have given parents a right to appeal ESA decisions, and required monthly transfers of ESA money rather than quarterly. Estimated cost to the taxpayer was \$3 million annually.

Generated a heavily-attended hearing and heated discussion in which Senator J.D. Mesnard (R-17) publicly stated he believes the government should directly fund religious schools.

Actions: Signed in against; spoke against in hearing

Status: FAILED. Held in Senate Rules

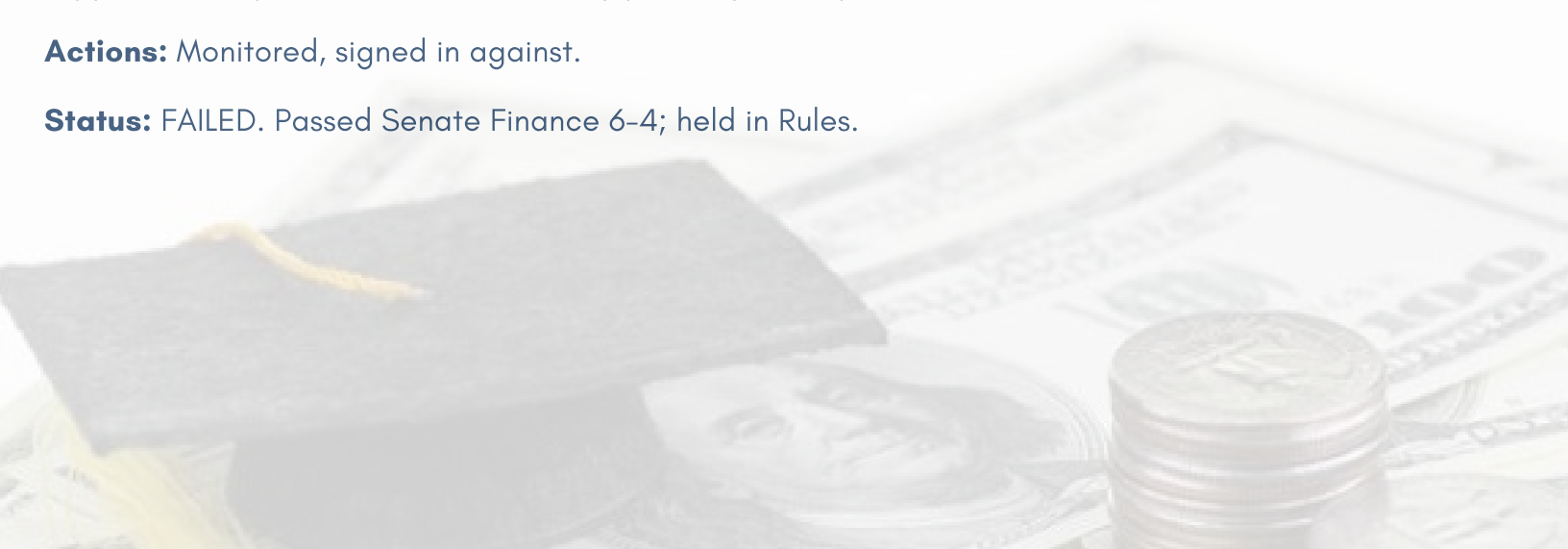
SB1320: EMPOWERMENT SCHOLARSHIPS; OVERSIGHT; STATE TREASURER

Prime sponsor: Sen. Livingston (R-22)

Background: Without any clear need, would have transferred oversight of the ESA program from Superintendent of Public Instruction (a newly-elected ESA opponent) to the State Treasurer (an ESA supporter). Suspected to be a retaliatory power-grab to protect ESAs.

Actions: Monitored, signed in against.

Status: FAILED. Passed Senate Finance 6-4; held in Rules.



Secular-Opposed Bills



ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE BUT NOT HEARD

SB1396: EMPOWERMENT SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNTS; QUALIFIED STUDENTS

Background: An ESA expansion.

Prime sponsor: Sen. S. Allen (R-6) **Co-Sponsors:** Rep. Barto (R-15), Rep. Carroll (R-22), Sen. D. Farnsworth (R-16), Sen. Livingston (R-22)

Status: Not heard. (Credit: Senate Finance Chair Mesnard)



NOT ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

HB2517: STOS; QUALIFIED SCHOOLS; PRESCHOOL PROGRAMS

Background: An STO expansion.

Prime sponsor: Rep. Udall (R-25)

Status: Not assigned. (Credit: Speaker Bowers.)

HB2022: EMPOWERMENT SCHOLARSHIPS; OVERSIGHT; STATE TREASURER

Background: Mirror bill to SB1320. (Transferring ESA oversight to State Treasurer.)

Prime sponsor: Rep. Finchem (R-11)

Status: Not assigned (Credit: Speaker Bowers)

Secular-Opposed Bills

NOT ASSIGNED TO COMMITTEE

SB1365: CIVIL RIGHTS ACT

Background: Allowing employers to refuse to pay for health benefits for abortion.

Prime sponsor: Sen. Mesnard (R-17) Co-Sponsors: Rep. Bolick (R-20)

Status: Not assigned (Credit: President Fann)

ETHICS COMPLAINT

Background: On 2/11, with approximately a hundred Secular AZ supporters attending in the gallery, Rep. Athena Salman gave an atheist/humanist invocation (written by a Secular AZ constituent) reflecting on mankind's cosmic insignificance and genesis via natural law. Rep. Kavanaugh responded to the invocation by pointedly introducing "God" as a "guest in the gallery," and making retaliatory remarks refuting Rep. Salman's beliefs.



Actions taken: Rep. Salman filed an Ethics complaint the day after the incident and lobbied for this behavior to be addressed in a Code of Conduct being drafted at the time by House Ethics. We drafted a model code of conduct for Rep. Salman to use at her discretion and filed our own formal Ethics complaint.

Secular AZ constituents received action alerts to sign and circulate a petition lobbying Speaker Bowers to A) publicly respond to Rep. Salman's complaint, B) denounce Rep. Kavanaugh's behavior, and C) change House rules so that members are not required to pray.

Secular AZ also disseminated a Youtube video of the incident which so far received over 371,000 views and has generated statewide and national press about the issue.

Status: Rep. Kavanaugh has since defended his behavior in a newspaper editorial; Speaker Bowers and House Ethics have yet to react in any way to our complaints. On 2/11, with approximately a hundred Secular AZ supporters attending in the gallery, Rep. Athena Salman gave an atheist/humanist invocation (written by a Secular AZ constituent) reflecting on mankind's cosmic insignificance and genesis via natural law. Rep. Kavanaugh responded to the invocation by pointedly introducing "God" as a "guest in the gallery," and making retaliatory remarks refuting Rep. Salman's beliefs.