



2019 UTAH
LEGISLATIVE
SCORECARD



AMERICANS FOR
PROSPERITY.
UTAH



DEAR CONCERNED CITIZEN

Heather Williamson
Utah State Director

This year’s AFP Scorecard is a comprehensive view into how the Utah State Legislature voted during the 2019 Regular Legislative Session. The project is a labor of love by our team members. For 2019, we scored over 40 bills and tallied nearly 4,000 votes to bring you this scorecard. More importantly, though, we’d like to thank the activists who spent their time and effort spreading the message far and wide about these policies throughout Session!

Americans for Prosperity-UT strives to support principled public policy that will allow the people of our great state to pursue their goals, to the benefit of all. Utah is a great place to live and work, with a vibrant and growing economy. We support policies that will help keep it that way and unleash further potential for our state to flourish.

We work to tear down barriers to opportunity for all Utahns. By cutting regulatory red tape and government permission slips like occupational licensing, we open the door for every person who calls Utah home to make their own success, contribute to society, and live a life of meaning.

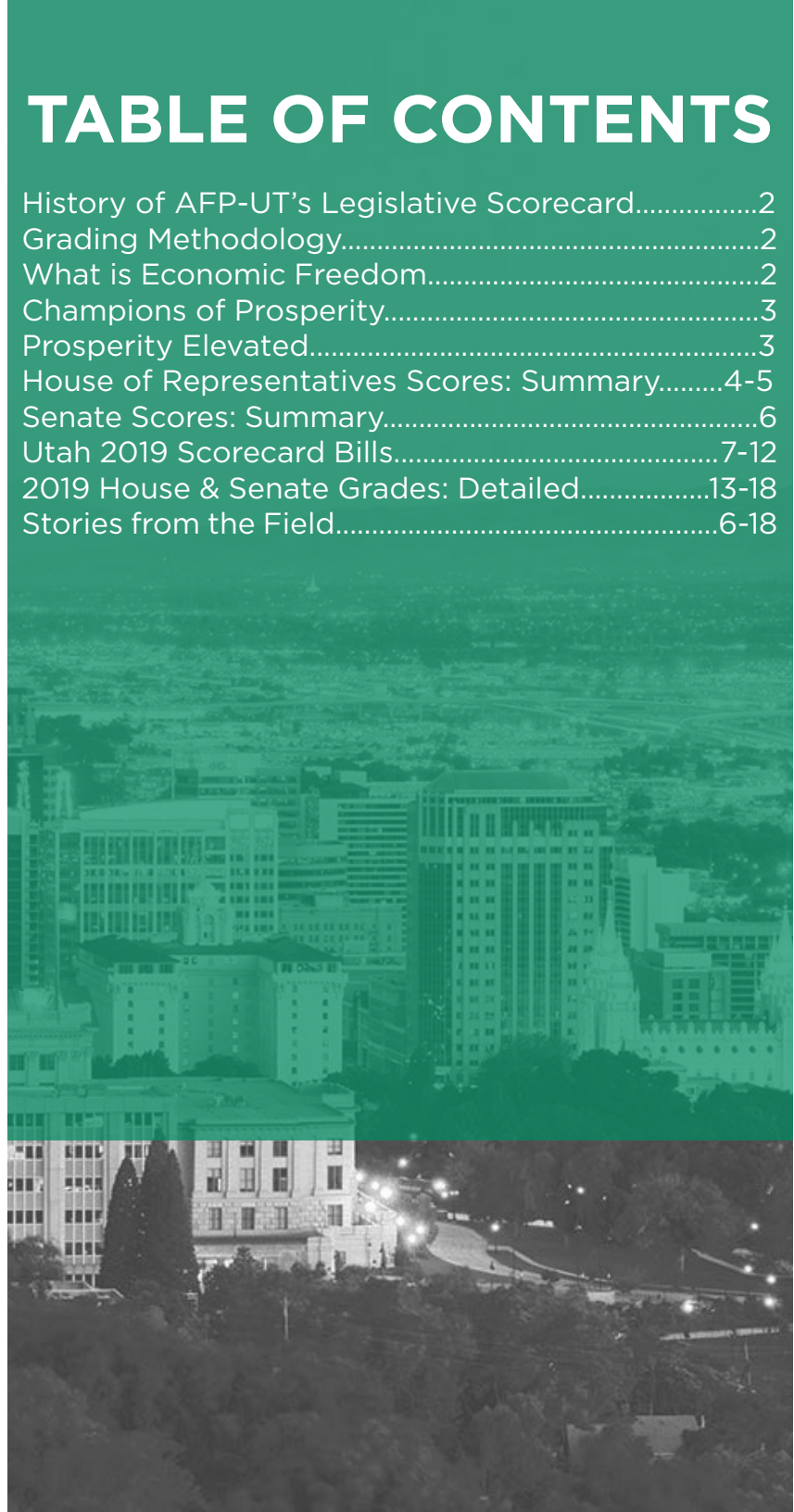
AFP-UT is also among the loudest voices calling for responsible government spending, as we did when we encouraged lawmakers to pass a Medicaid expansion implementing bill that would rein in excessive costs. By encouraging the state government to live within its means, we help ensure that resources are available to fund the core functions of government for years to come – while allowing Utah families and businesses to keep more of their own earnings.

As we work together to further these goals, we look forward to partnering with broad coalitions to keep Utah going strong.

Sincerely,
Team AFP-Utah

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AMERICANS FOR PROSPERITY UTAH'S LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD

The Americans Prosperity Utah 2019 Legislative Scorecard includes more than 4000 total votes on 40 legislative issues. Each of Americans for Prosperity-Utah's (AFP- UT) legislative priorities are included in this scorecard, as well as any other legislation we communicated support for or opposition to during the 2019 general legislative session. Among the key legislation we passed were Clean Slate legislation, several occupational licensing reforms, reducing regulations, extending Constitutional protections to your electronic data, and rolling back Medicaid expansion while putting in place proper safeguards to prevent inevitable cost overruns leading to future tax increases.

ECONOMIC FREEDOM

Prosperity Elevated is based on the promoting the principles of economic freedom and outlining policies that make a state more economically free. At its simplest, economic freedom is the freedom to choose how to produce, sell and use your own resources, while respecting others' rights to do the same. A more economically free government has low taxes, a limited scope and size, lower government spending, limited regulations, it protects individual rights, and prefers free markets over cronyism. States with more economic freedom have higher economic growth, less debt, and lower unemployment rates than less economically free state. However, economic freedom is not only about the economy; it affects every aspect of our lives. Economic freedom leads to higher incomes, lower poverty, improved equality, and more happiness — it leads to greater opportunity and an improved quality of life.

SCORING EXPLANATION

Every time a legislator voted with the AFP-UT position on a scorecard bill, they received one out of one possible point. Every time they voted with the AFP-UT position on a priority scorecard bill, they received two out of two possible points. Votes against the AFP-UT position on these bills resulted in a zero out of one or a zero out of two, respectively. Prime sponsors of bills AFP-UT supported received an extra bonus point on top of their vote total for each scorecard bill they sponsored, while prime sponsors of bills AFP-UT opposed were docked an extra point from their vote total for each sponsorship. Each legislator's vote total was divided by their total possible vote points to determine their percentage score and grade. Non-votes on scorecard bills were not counted against legislators. The grading scale for legislator scores is as follows:

GRADING SCALE

A⁺ - 100% or more

A - 90 - 99%

B - 80 - 89%

C - 70 - 79%

D - 60 - 69%

F - 59% or less



CHAMPIONS OF PROSPERITY

Certain legislators earn the title of Champion of Economic Freedom or Defender of Economic Freedom. These designation are the gold standard for legislators who have acted in the interests of economic freedom during this year's legislative session. In order to receive these designations, legislators must have scored an 80% B Grade to earn the title of Defender of Economic Freedom, or an A+ or A 90% or higher to earn the highest recognition of Champion of Economic Freedom on the 2019 Prosperity Elevated Legislative Scorecard.

2019 TOP SCORERS

Rep. Kim Coleman	District 42	Rep. Calvin Musselman	District 9
Rep. Marc Roberts	District 67	Rep. Susan Pulsipher	District 50
Sen. Lincoln Fillmore	District 10	Rep. Adam Robertson	District 63
Rep. Kyle Anderson	District 7	Rep. Rex Shipp	District 72
Rep. Walt Brooks	District 75	Rep. Casey Snider	District 5
Rep. Tim Hawkes	District 18	Rep. Mark Strong	District 41
Rep. Jon Hawkins	District 57	Rep. Norm Thurston	District 64
Rep. Ken Ivory	District 47	Rep. Logan Wilde	District 53
Rep. John Knotwell	District 52	Rep. Mike Winder	District 30
Rep. Karianne Lisonbee	District 14	Sen. Jacob Andereg	District 13
Rep. Phil Lyman	District 73	Sen. Deidre Henderson	District 7
Rep. Cory Maloy	District 6	Sen. Jerry Stevenson	District 21
Rep. Mike Mckell	District 66		

PROSPERITY ELEVATED

Utah has long been a place where free markets and limited government have flourished. We're a compassionate and prosperous people who are proud of the work we've done to make our state a place where opportunity abounds. But over the past few years, government regulation and tax bills have slowly crept up and up, and it's keeping us from meeting our full potential. It's critical to all of us that Utah doesn't fall behind. That's why we created the Prosperity Elevated agenda. These critical reforms come in the five areas — education, taxes, criminal justice reform, regulation, and health care — that will help ensure Utah stays in the lead. Reining in the growth of government requires lawmakers who are willing to take a courageous stand on the issues that are right — but not always popular. And sometimes, the only way to give them a dose of courage is to make sure they know the public supports them!

HOUSE SCORES : SUMMARY

LEGISLATOR	GRADE
Kim Coleman	A+
Marc Roberts	A+
John Knotwell	A+
Tim Hawkes	A
Rex Shipp	A
Norm Thurston	A
Walt Brooks	A
Susan Pulsipher	A
Casey Snider	A
Jon Hawkins	A
Karianne Lisonbee	A
Mike McKell	A
Kyle Andersen	A
Calvin Musselman	A
Adam Robertson	A
Ken Ivory	A
Cory Maloy	A
Logan Wilde	A
Mark Strong	A

LEGISLATOR	GRADE
Mike Winder	B
Phil Lyman	B
Travis Seegmiller	B
Cheryl Acton	B
Brady Brammer	B
Jeff Moss	B
Stewart Barlow	B
Ray Ward	B
Kay Christofferson	B
Brad Wilson	B
Eric Hutchings	B
Lowry Snow	B
Derrin Owens	B
Tim Quinn	B
Craig Hall	B
Francis Gibson	B
Mike Schultz	B
Joel Ferry	B
Stephen Handy	B

HOUSE SCORES : SUMMARY

LEGISLATOR	GRADE
Douglas Sagers	B
Scott Chew	B
Marsha Judkins	B
Jeffrey Stenquist	B
Christine Watkins	B
Keven Stratton	B
Robert Spendlove	B
Carl Albrecht	B
Kelly Miles	B
Bradley Daw	C
Steven Eliason	C
Paul Ray	C
Val Peterson	C
Lee Perry	C
Val Potter	C
Brad Last	C
Melissa Ballard	C
Dan Johnson	C
Steve Waldrip	C

LEGISLATOR	GRADE
Merrill Nelson	C
James Dunnigan	C
Marie Poulson	D
Sandra Hollins	D
Brian King	D
Mark Wheatley	D
Patrice Arent	D
Elizabeth Weight	D
Carol Moss	D
Sue Duckworth	D
Suzanne Harrison	D
Stephanie Pitcher	D
Jen Dailey-Provost	D
Karen Kwan	D
LaWanna Shurtliff	D
Andrew Stoddard	D
Joel Briscoe	F
Angela Romero	F

SENATE SCORES : SUMMARY

LEGISLATOR	GRADE
Lincoln Fillmore	100%
Deidre Henderson	95%
Jacob Anderegg	95%
Jerry Stevenson	91%
David Hinkins	90%
Kirk Cullimore	88%
Dan McCay	88%
Ann Millner	84%
Curtis Bramble	84%
Keith Grover	84%
Stuart Adams	83%
Allen Christensen	81%
Don Ipson	81%
Gregg Buxton	81%
Daniel Thatcher	81%
Evan Vickers	81%
Todd Weiler	81%
Wayne Harper	80%
Luz Escamilla	79%

LEGISLATOR	GRADE
Jani Iwamoto	78%
Dan Hemmert	76%
Kathleen Reibe	74%
Ralph Okerlund	74%
Scott Sandall	74%
Ron Winterton	74%
Derek Kitchen	72%
Karen Mayne	71%
Gene Davis	68%
Lyle Hillyard	66%

“I love being involved with AFP,

because it has taught me the importance of fighting for liberty at the grassroots level. It is important to have young people be involved with causes like this, since we are the future. We need to keep our elected officials accountable, especially when it comes to our tax dollars.”



Frances Floresca
AFP activist

UTAH 2019 SCORECARD BILLS

PROPERTY TAX AMENDMENTS (HB 11)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill creates a process whereby taxpayers can appeal egregious increases in their annual property tax assessments and creates an automatic review process for certain evaluations.

Rep. Tim Hawkes

MASSAGE THERAPY PRACTICE ACT AMENDMENTS (HB 18)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill allows those certified as practitioners in bowerwork, zone therapy, or reflexology to practice massage therapy without additional licensure.

Rep. Marc Roberts

PHYSICAL THERAPIST PRACTICE ACT AMENDMENTS (HB 44)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill allows students in their final term of a professional physical therapist program to take their licensing examination before graduation. This is a good step in allowing students to enter the workforce as soon as possible upon graduation, removing unnecessary delays and barriers.

Rep. Jim Dunnigan

REMOTE NOTARIZATION STANDARDS (HB 52)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill removes outdated barriers that will allow notaries, and those needing their services, to perform the notarization electronically when necessary via Skype or similar online platforms. Allowing professions to keep up with advancing technology creates a better experience for consumers.

Rep. Craig Hall

ELECTRONIC INFORMATION AND DATA PRIVACY (HB 57)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill extends important Constitutional protections to people's electronic data by requiring a warrant before law enforcement can access electronic data stored by a third party. In an increasingly technological world, it's important for people to have a reasonable expectation of privacy of their data when stored on other platforms.

Rep. Craig Hall

OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING MODIFICATIONS (HB 90)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill allows those with criminal histories to petition the Department of Licensing to find out if their criminal past will preclude them from gaining licensure in certain professions. The Department of Licensing can then let them know what steps can be taken to acquire a license if their criminal history does preclude them. It also increases the standard that the Department must apply when restricting licensure due to a criminal history. Disqualification due to a criminal history should be directly tied to the profession in which a license is being sought, rather than a blanket ban. Allowing those with criminal histories to more easily find gainful employment helps reduce recidivism rates as well as intergenerational poverty, and it should be the position of our government to remove unnecessary barriers to that happening.

Rep. Eric Hutchings

AUTONOMOUS VEHICLE REGULATIONS (HB 101)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill allows for the operation of autonomous vehicles, prevents political subdivisions from regulating them, and creates a statewide framework for the operation of autonomous vehicles on Utah's roads.

Rep. Robert Spendlove

PRIVATE COUNSELORS AMENDMENTS (HB 104)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill will more readily provide access to mental health and substance use disorder treatments by removing an additional licensing barrier to private mental health professionals. In addition to a license as a mental health professional, those wish to provide their services to incarcerated individuals were also required to obtain an additional certification. By removing that requirement, those needing help will have easier access to it, helping our state solve a very real problem.

Rep. Christine Watkins

RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES (HB 110)

AFP Position: OPPOSE

This bill increases the maximum grant amount from \$25,000 to \$250,000 that GOED may award to a business each year as part of its rural economic development program. The government shouldn't be in the business of handing out taxpayer dollars to select businesses. While government continues to give out corporate welfare under the veil of economic development, the evidence is clear that these policies don't work.

Rep. Carl Albrecht

UTAH 2019 SCORECARD BILLS

OCCUPATIONAL AND PROFESSIONAL LICENSING AMENDMENTS (HB 132)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill allows the Department of Occupational Licensing to begin offering professional licensing examinations in languages other than English. A language barrier shouldn't prevent otherwise qualified individuals from finding employment. Immigrants and others whose first language may not be English have much to offer our state and the law shouldn't be a deterrent to them engaging in their profession.

Rep. Karen Kwan

CONCURRENT ENROLLMENT AMENDMENTS (HB 146)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill allows 9th and 10th graders to earn college credit in concurrent enrollment courses, currently reserved to 11th and 12th graders. These students are already enrolled in these courses at their high schools but are currently not allowed to receive the college credit that their older classmates are receiving. Extending eligibility can help students save thousands of dollars in future college expenses, as well as help them enter the workforce much quicker.

Rep. Susan Pulsipher

SEARCH AMENDMENTS (HB 156)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill will create transparency regarding jails and prisons and their policies on body cavity searches. Government transparency is essential to the public trust, and this will ensure that law enforcement can still effectively do their jobs, while also protecting the dignity of inmates and the public trust.

Rep. Kim Coleman

CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANT EXAM AMENDMENTS (HB 159)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill decreases the overall required number of hours to sit for the CPA Exam by roughly 10%. AFP believes that the best policy is to remove government licensing requirements altogether. However, as we seek to drive even greater occupational licensing reforms, incremental legislation like this still provides a directionally positive reform.

Rep. Jon Hawkins

RAW MILK PRODUCTS (HB 182)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

Raw milk is already legal in Utah, and this bill would have added raw milk products into the mix, by allowing those already licensed to sell raw milk to also sell butter and cream. Unnecessary burdens to business owners being innovative and self-sufficient and offering goods and services that the public wants need to be removed.

Rep. Kim Coleman

EXPUNGEMENT CHANGES (HB 212)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill prevents government employers from asking job applicants about any expunged criminal history. The intent of an expungement is to effectively say that the underlying criminal history never existed because the person served their time and fulfilled all the other requirements for expungement. It also allows any job applicant with an expunged criminal history to answer any question about their expunged history as if it never existed. This will allow people to get back to work, qualify for loans, and other important things without the constant burden of their criminal history following them.

Rep. Stewart Barlow

TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY REVISION (HB 231)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill implements, as a first step to more necessary tangible personal property tax changes, common sense reforms to help streamline the tax process for tangible personal property, as well as provides important tax relief for business owners.

Rep. Karianne Lisonbee

MISDEMEANOR SENTENCING TIMELINE CLARIFICATIONS (HB 244)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This important bill changes the maximum sentence of Class A Misdemeanors in the state of Utah from 365 days to 364 days. While it doesn't seem like a drastic change, it has the potential to impact many people in a significant way. Currently, Federal Law defines a Felony as any crime with a sentence of more than 364 days, which then makes legal immigrants who receive that sentence eligible for immediate deportation. By reducing the sentence by one day we can help keep families intact by preventing those charged with low level crimes from being immediately deported.

Rep. Eric Hutchings

UTAH 2019 SCORECARD BILLS

ELECTRONIC CIGARETTE AND OTHER NICOTINE PRODUCT AMENDMENTS (HB 252)

AFP Position: OPPOSE

This bill adds an 80% tax on electronic cigarette and nicotine products, which can end up taxing at a higher rate than traditional cigarettes. While we don't advocate the use of these products, they often times are useful in helping people quit more harmful smoking habits. By making these products more expensive they will become a less desirable alternative to people trying to quit or make healthier decisions.

Rep. Paul Ray

ALCOHOL WORK REQUIREMENT AMENDMENTS (HB 285)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill changes the current requirements for establishments with liquor licenses and those they employ that can be in management positions. Currently, state law prohibits anyone from managing an establishment with a liquor license if they have a prior criminal history. This means that great employees who happen to have a criminal history are prevented from being promoted to manager, or the establishment risks losing their liquor license. This bill will allow for individuals with a criminal history to stay employed and to be employed in management positions after a certain amount of time passes from the underlying criminal history. The law should promote individuals turning their lives around and not strap them with the weight of bad past decisions.

Rep. Walt Brooks

GOVERNMENTAL IMMUNITY REVISIONS (HB 311)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill addresses important and necessary changes to Utah's governmental immunity laws. In addition to increasing the aggregate cap on awards from \$2 million to \$3 million, it limits a court from dismissing lawsuits that individuals bring against the government when technical errors are made regarding the confusing "notice of claim" process. Often times claims are dismissed due to a mistake in navigating that process, and this change will go a long way to ensuring access to the system and justice.

Rep. Mike McKell

INMATE RESTRICTIONS STANDARDS AMENDMENTS (HB 318)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill goes a long way to ensuring and respecting the dignity and safety of pregnant inmates by restricting the shackling of female inmates during labor. Utah is one of only a few states that doesn't currently protect against this, and this will now have us catching up to the rest of the country as well as Federal law.

Rep. Stephanie Pitcher

PEER TO PEER CAR SHARING ACT (HB 354)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill would have prevented local governments from regulating new peer-to-peer car sharing platforms, such as TURO, in a substantially similar way to other professional rental car services. TURO allows private individuals to rent out their private car to other individuals daily, or for whatever time period they want. Laws and regulations should develop alongside new technologies rather than trying to fit a something new into the framework of outdated regulations.

Rep. Kim Coleman

REGULATORY SANDBOX (HB 378)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill will create a friendly environment to entities developing and testing new and innovative financial technologies (think Venmo, Coinbase, etc.) Burdensome regulations can be a deterrence to taking the necessary risk involved in the expenditure of time and resources to develop these technologies. By allowing this development to occur here in Utah for a limited time, free from the barriers of existing regulations, the state can incubate new technology, as well as develop new regulations that makes sense alongside this development. This is the type of economic development the state should be encouraging - rather than tax breaks or financial handouts, we should continue to encourage a friendly environment that can attract these companies. Once they've established their presence here, they are likely to remain.

Rep. Marc Roberts

EXPUNGEMENT ACT AMENDMENTS (HB 431)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill will allow for the automatic expungement of certain criminal histories after a set amount of time. The current process for expunging a criminal record can be extremely confusing, costly, and time consuming. A criminal history can also follow a person around for the rest of their life, affecting employment, housing options, loans, etc. After a person has served their time and paid their debt to society, the law shouldn't continue to place heavy burdens on them. Allowing for automatic expungement will help people move on with their life and become successful contributing members of society.

Rep. Eric Hutchings

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RESOLUTION ON RIGHT TO PURSUE TRADE, VOCATION, OCCUPATION, OR CAREER (HJR 16)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill would have declared it as the policy of the State of Utah that “government may not infringe upon the individual, inalienable right of the people of the state to pursue an honest trade, vocation, occupation, or career, unless the infringement is narrowly tailored, and the least restrictive means possible, to protect against identifiable, likely, and meaningful harm to the financial well-being, health, or safety of the public.” Currently occupational licenses required for many professions, which often have little bearing on the health or safety of the public but instead serves to protect those already in the profession from competition. Utah is one of the most burdensome states in the nation when it comes to occupational licensing requirements, and this joint resolution would have established legislative support for reducing or repealing heavy licensing burdens on individuals.

Rep. Norm Thurston

JOINT RULES RESOLUTION ON BASE BUDGETING PROVISIONS (HJR 18)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill begins implementing zero based budgeting in Utah by requiring every appropriations subcommittee to create a zero-based budget for a percentage of their budget each interim. Zero based budgeting creates a fiscally responsible government by starting from zero and justifying every expense made, rather than simply building off previous budgets where expenses may no longer be justified or needed.

Rep. Jefferson Moss

GOVERNMENTAL NONPROFIT CORPORATION ACT AMENDMENTS (SB 26)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill will require each member of a board of trustees to complete a training on best practices for financial controls and board governance. There have been serious instances in the past of funds being misused, and it's important that those involved in using taxpayer money are responsible fiduciaries.

Sen. Deidre Henderson

COMMUNITY REINVESTMENT AGENCY REPORT AMENDMENTS (SB 56)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill will increase the transparency and accountability to the public of community reinvestment agencies and how they report to the public.

Sen. Deidre Henderson

FOOD TRUCK LICENSE AMENDMENTS (SB 71)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill strikes a great balance and ensures that food truck owners aren't over-regulated or required to spend unnecessary time and money acquiring business licenses in every city in which they provide their service.

Sen. Deidre Henderson

TRANSPORTATION GOVERNANCE AND FUNDING REVISIONS (SB 72)

AFP Position: OPPOSE

This bill, like so many transportation bills, authorizes funding for projects that are decidedly not transportation-related including airports, pedestrian walkways, water conservation projects, and non-motorized transportation (bicycles, skateboards, push scooters, etc.) facilities. It also authorizes implementation of a mileage-based road use charge program and allows UDOT to collect anonymized vehicle data (including location information) from electronic devices placed in vehicles by manufacturers, raising serious privacy concerns. Additionally, the bill exempts certain governmental entities or transportation projects from state rules and allows for the sidestepping of local governments or consumers. Any road funding package should focus on stewardship of taxpayer dollars through reforms that prioritize critical projects, remove unnecessary and overly burdensome regulations, and encourage innovation and private investment wherever possible.

Sen. Wayne Harper

MEDICAID EXPANSION ADJUSTMENTS (SB 96)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill creates new systems to help maintain the original purpose of Medicaid, as well as protects Utah taxpayers from expected overruns in costs due to Proposition 3. The bill reduces Medicaid expansion's eligibility from 138 to 100% of the federal poverty line. The bill would also establish work requirements for able bodied adults, which will ensure that scarce public resources are focused on those who need it most and guard against Medicaid dollars being diverted from the most vulnerable in the traditional Medicaid population.

Sen. Allen Christensen

ASSET FORFEITURE AMENDMENTS (SB 109)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill would have implemented important and necessary changes to Utah's asset forfeiture laws that would have helped to ensure that innocent individuals are not deprived of their property without due process. It would have also removed improper incentives to law enforcement engaging in asset forfeiture by removing a requirement to participate in the program in order to access money from the fund.

Sen. Todd Weiler

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BODY CAMERA DISCLOSURE AMENDMENTS (SB 160)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill would have created necessary protections for both the public and members of law enforcement by ensuring that the entirety of emergency and other critical events involving law enforcement are recorded from start to finish. It's important, when questions arise, that an entire picture of the events be available to the public, investigators, and the involved law enforcement agencies. Transparency creates more trust between everyone involved.

Sen. Dan McCay

MOTION PICTURE INCENTIVES AMENDMENTS (SB 171)

AFP Position: OPPOSE

This bill would have added post-production work on films to qualify for Utah's available film incentives, as well as remove the cap of \$500,000 per incentive. Study after study shows that film incentives do not have the intended effect on states that use them, and many states are eliminating or drastically reducing their current film incentive programs.

Sen. Daniel Thatcher

RURAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AMENDMENTS (HB 276)

AFP Position: OPPOSE

This bill provides money for construction or renovation of various laboratories and manufacturing facilities, and job training and placement, and authorizes GOED to prioritize projects that artificially inflate wages while favoring certain communities and counties over others. While government continues to give out corporate welfare under the veil of economic development, the evidence is clear that these policies simply don't work.

Rep. Christine Watkins

NURSE PRACTICE AMENDMENTS (HB 336)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill will eliminate the requirement that an advanced practice nurse practitioner must complete 2,000 hours of work before he or she can prescribe Schedule II controlled substances without a consultation or referral plan. With ever rising costs of healthcare, having more choices and access to providers is critical. With a deficit of primary care physicians, and a surplus of primary care nurse practitioners expected by 2025, this bill is timely and necessary.

Rep. Jim Dunnigan

HIGHER EDUCATION SPEECH RIGHTS (HB 158)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill would have created a clear, constitutional standard for determining when students on Utah's college campuses have been subject to harassment, protecting free speech rather than having an arbitrary standard that impedes and chills students' free speech rights. It also outlined the obligations that universities have to protect their students from student-on-student harassment. College campuses should provide an opportunity for students to express their views, have their arguments challenged in a respectful manner, and understand the mutual benefit of constructive debate with those they disagree with.

Rep. Kim Coleman

UTAH COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY AMENDMENTS (SB 154)

AFP Position: OPPOSE

This bill nearly triples the tax rate for the Utah Communications Authority that is added to Utah's phone bills, to be used for updating 911 infrastructure. Rather than raising taxes once again, the funds for this should have been appropriated from the general fund, as we do with other essential public safety expenditures.

Sen. Wayne Harper

BEER AMENDMENTS (SB 132)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill strikes a compromise between the current 3.2% alcohol content for beer and the proposed 4.8% alcohol content, meeting in the middle at 4%, while also establishing a study group to study the potential effects of Utah increasing its allowable alcohol content for beer sold in grocery stores to 4.8%. Utah should restore reasonable choice to consumers, rather than relegating nearly all beer sales to state run liquor stores.

Sen. Jerry Stevenson

COURT REPORTER AMENDMENTS (HB 278)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill removes a requirement for licensed Court Reporters in the state of Utah to obtain a Utah specific license in addition to their nationally recognized court reporter certification. Now, simply obtaining the national certification will qualify as the necessary certification in Utah.

Rep. John Knotwell

BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS AMENDMENTS (HB 387)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill will reign in wasteful government spending by repealing non-essential government boards and commissions in Utah.

Rep. John Knotwell

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TRUTH IN TAXATION AMENDMENTS (SB 179)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill adds additional protections to Utah's Truth in Taxation law, by requiring that any proposed increases in the tax rate must be discussed at a public meeting held specifically for the purpose of discussing and taking action on the increase, as well as preventing the governmental entity from restricting the number of individuals who want to provide public comment on the proposed increase. Additionally, the public meeting will not be allowed to be held on the same day as another public meeting by the same governmental body. This bill will increase access to these meetings as well as increase government accountability to the public.

Sen. Lincoln Fillmore

SPECIAL NEEDS SCHOLARSHIP (SB 177)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill would have afforded many families with children that have special needs an opportunity to choose the education options that work best for them through the help of a scholarship. This new scholarship would have been funded by corporate and individual contributions to scholarship granting organization which would be eligible for a tax credit.

Sen. Lincoln Fillmore

OCCUPATIONAL LICENSING REVISIONS (HB 226)

AFP Position: SUPPORT

This bill will allow training programs and apprenticeships to pursue a competency-based approach to licensure. Competency based education is a method of education that has checks in place to measure that a certain competency level in the course material is attained. Currently hours-based education only counts time spent on materials with no proof of subject matter learned. Adding options to licensure will help Utahns get to work and provide for their families when traditional education methods may be time or financially prohibitive.

Rep. Norm Thurston

**“I VOLUNTEER
WITH AFP BECAUSE
WE FOCUS ON
PRINCIPLES, NOT ON
POLITICS.**

All too often whenever you speak to someone with opposing political views the moment you mention support for a certain party or candidate the conversation ends. However, when you focus on common sense principles like the free market and economic opportunity, you make positive connections with others. But the best part about volunteering with AFP is the wonderful people and great friendships you make.”

Greg Frazier
AFP activist



“I love working with AFP because they stand for real freedom and for principles and policies that history has proven actually work. They also provide continual opportunities to learn and to do. AFP has helped me make a difference.

**And the people are
great!”**

Emily Schaefer
AFP activist

LEGISLATIVE VOTES: HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

REP.	HB 18	HB 44	HB 52	HB 101	HB 104	HB 110	HB 132	HB 146	HB 159	HB 212	HB 336	HJR 16	SB 96	HB 226	HB 285	HB 207	HJR 18	HB 57	HB 244	HB 276	HB 90	HB 387	SB 26	HB 378	SB 154	HB 182	HB 354	HB 11	HB 156	HB 158	HB 231	HB 252	HB 278	HB 311	HB 318	HB 431	SB 71	SB 72	SB 132	SB 171	SB 179	SCORE %			
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“Working with AFP has opened my eyes to not just the amount of regulation and burden that government places on each individual, but more importantly that I am not powerless to fight against it. Since becoming a volunteer with AFP I have found many friends

and we together are able to influence changes and the decisions that are made by our elected officials to support liberty and freedom.”

John Morris
AFP activist



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