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LETTER FROM THE CHAIRMAN

Dear Fellow Conservative,

The American Conservative Union Foundation’s Center for Legislative Accountability is proud to present our Ratings of the New Mexico Legislature for 2019. Like our Ratings of Congress, which date back 48 years, ACU Foundation’s Ratings of the States are meant to reflect how elected officials view the role of government in an individual’s life. We begin with our philosophy (conservatism is the political philosophy that sovereignty resides in the person) and then apply the correct purpose of government (its essential role is to defend Life, Liberty and Property).

As a 501(c)(3) educational endeavor, these Ratings serve as a retrospective analysis to explain to voters, the media, scholars and activists how consistently lawmakers apply conservative principles when casting votes. ACU Foundation evaluates over 100,000 bills and ultimately selects around 2,000 bills to produce scorecards for Congress and all 50 states.

Our American Experiment in self-governance depends on our ability as citizens to evaluate whether our elected officials implement policies that help people live happier, healthier, more productive lives. ACU Foundation’s Ratings of the States equips citizens with clear and effective analysis to hold the nation’s 8,000 lawmakers accountable for their votes.

The Left has renewed its commitment to advance socialism in their zeal to fundamentally transform America. With such an important fight ahead, it’s never been more important for our elected officials to understand the proper role of government and for Americans to defend our conservative values and take action to preserve liberty.

Matt Schlapp
Chairman
American Conservative Union Foundation

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SELECTING THE VOTES

ACU Foundation researched and selected a range of bills before the New Mexico legislature that determine a member’s adherence to conservative principles. We selected bills that focus on Ronald Reagan’s philosophy of the “three-legged stool”: 1) fiscal and economic: taxes, budgets, regulation, spending, healthcare, and property; 2) social and cultural: 2nd amendment, religion, life, welfare, and education; and 3) government integrity: voting, individual liberty, privacy, and transparency. This wide range of issues are designed to give citizens an accurate assessment that conveys which of New Mexico’s elected leaders best defend the principles of a free society: Life, Liberty and Property.
# 2019 WINNERS & LOSERS

## 90-100% AWARD FOR CONSERVATIVE EXCELLENCE

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Republicans in ALL CAPS, Democrats in initial capitals, asterisk indicates independent/libertarian/other
NEW MEXICO SENATE STATISTICS

OVERALL AVERAGE 35%

REPUBLICAN AVERAGE 61%
DEMOCRAT AVERAGE 19%

LOWEST REPUBLICAN
RUE, SANDER 46%

HIGHEST DEMOCRAT
MUÑOZ, GEORGE 29%

NEW MEXICO SENATE CONSERVATIVE RATINGS

RED = REPUBLICANS
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2019 ACUF PERCENTAGE
NEW MEXICO SENATE SCORES

NEW MEXICO SENATE VOTE DETAIL

ACU Foundation Position

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- HB 436 Driving up Health Care Costs by Preserving Obamacare
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- SB 354 Imposing Costly Mandates on Telemedicine
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- SB 489 Driving up Consumer Energy Costs to Advance a Politicized Energy Agenda
- SB 342 Prohibiting Adults Ages 18 to 21 from Purchasing Nicotine Products
- SB 547 Providing Substantial and Unnecessary Pay Raises to Elected Executive Branch Officials
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- SB 2 Socializing Private Film Production Costs to Enrich Union Boxes.
- HB 55 Disenfranchising Voters by Subverting the Electoral College.
- SB 672 Weakening Election Integrity by Establishing Automatic and Same-Day Voter Registration
- HB 2 Abusing Taxpayer Funds by Hiking Spending by Nearly $800 Million
- SB 370 Expanding Employment Opportunities through Petitions for Expungement of Certain Criminal Records
- HB 51 Eliminating All Safeguards for Unborn Children and Pregnant Women Considering Abortion
- HB 58 Driving up Health Care Costs by Mandating Insurance Coverage of Artery Calcification
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NEW MEXICO SENATE VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

1. SB 199 Restricting the Surveillance State by Requiring Warrants for Electronic Data Seizures. This bill strengthens privacy protections and restricts the surveillance state by requiring government to obtain a warrant before seizing certain electronic data. Specifically, the bill prevents law enforcement from using ‘stingrays’ which simulate cell towers and collect cellphone communication content. ACU supports the use of warrants, supports strengthening individual privacy protections and civil liberties and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on January 24, 2019 by a vote of 41-0 and the bill was signed into law.

2. SB 124 Protecting the Wellbeing of Incarcerated Women and their Children. This bill protects the normal and health neurological development of children by allowing incarcerated women to breastfeed in correctional facilities in the state. ACUF’s Nolan Center for Justice is a national leader in criminal justice reform and works to cut crime, reduce taxpayer costs, protect victims, define the proper scope of government, and responsibly reduce incarceration rates. ACU supports efforts to protect the wellbeing of all children and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on February 7, 2019 by a vote of 37-0 and the bill was signed into law.

3. SB 8 Imposing Excessive Restrictions on Second Amendment Rights of Law-Abiding Individuals. This bill imposes excessive burdens on law-abiding individuals by requiring FBI background checks for nearly every private sale of firearms. Under the bill, requirements for FBI background checks are expanded to include sales of firearms between neighbors, coworkers and friends. This bill is not actually intended to reduce violence because there is no statistically significant evidence that suggests mandatory background checks improve public safety. Instead, the bill is clearly designed to restrict the constitutional rights of law-abiding citizens. ACU supports the founders’ belief in the Second Amendment and opposes this costly and undue burden on law-abiding firearm purchasers and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on February 14, 2019 by a vote of 22-20 and the bill was signed into law.

4. SB 85 Reducing Employment by Expanding the Application of the Minimum Wage to Domestic Work. This bill reduces job opportunities by expanding the minimum wage mandate to cover domestic services. Previous law exempted domestic service from minimum wage mandates, allowing individuals to freely contract for services such as babysitting, housekeeping and gardening and adult care without the restriction of minimum wage requirements. Under the bill, those services must be compensated at the high minimum wage rate imposed under SB 437 (#14 in this guide) despite the fact other benefits are often available to domestic workers such as no cost housing, transportation and meals. ACU opposes these artificial wages that make domestic services unaffordable and diminish job opportunities by preventing individuals from freely contracting for other benefits and job perks and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on February 18, 2019 by a vote of 25-16 and the bill was signed into law.

5. SB 78 Permitting Restaurants in Certain Regions to Sell New Mexico Distilled Liquors. This bill provides slight regulatory relief by permitting restaurants in certain regions of the state to sell liquor. Specifically, voters in certain regions of the state such as enterprise zones and art and cultural districts may approve ballot initiatives which permit restaurants in these regions to serve New Mexico distilled liquor. Under previous law, restaurants across the state could only serve wine and beer. ACU believes in a free market for alcoholic beverages, supports efforts to provide consumers greater beverage options and supported this bill as a step in the right direction. The Senate passed the bill on February 19, 2019 by a vote of 26-8. (The bill failed to advance in the House.)

6. SB 123 Interfering in Employer Paid Leave Policies. This bill makes it more costly and less likely for employers to offer paid leave by mandating that any employer who offers a paid leave policy permit its use for "family care." As a result, an employer is forced to provide paid leave to any employee who states they are caring for a parent, relative, domestic partner or household member. ACU believes employers and employees should be free to negotiate their own benefits, opposes this infringement of the right to contract which may limit the ability of employees to receive other benefits and job perks and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on February 20, 2019 by a vote of 26-14 and the bill was signed into law.
7. **SB 354 Imposing Costly Mandates on Telemedicine.** This bill drives up the cost of telemedicine (health care services provided over the internet and other digital media). Specifically, the bill mandates that all insurance plans offered in the state must reimburse telemedicine services at the same rate as traditional, in-person services. Furthermore, insurers must not establish any other conditions or restrictions on telemedicine that they do not apply to in-person services such as annual or lifetime cap on telemedicine. ACU opposes these one-size-fits-all mandates that hinder the cost-effectiveness of innovative services such as telemedicine while interfering in the marketplace and infringing on contracting rights and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on February 26, 2019 by a vote of 36-0 and the bill was signed into law.

8. **SB 229 Weakening School Accountability Standards.** This bill weakens standards in place to measure the educational quality of schools. Under the bill, measurements of academic achievement in core subject matters are eliminated and instead social wellbeing is prioritized to evaluate schools. ACU opposes weakening educational standards and transparency, opposes permitting poor schools and educators to continue to fail children and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 2, 2019 by a vote of 37-4 and the bill was signed into law.

9. **SB 328 Permanently Revoking Second Amendment Rights for Misdemeanor Crimes.** This bill permanently revokes the Second Amendment rights of individuals who have merely committed certain misdemeanor offenses. The bill’s provisions covering this issue are extremely broad and permanently prevent an individual from possessing a firearm even after they have paid their debt to society. ACUF's Nolan Center for Justice is a national leader in criminal justice reform and works to cut crime, reduce taxpayer costs, protect victims, define the proper scope of government, and responsibly reduce incarceration rates. ACU supports the founders' belief in the Second Amendment, opposes this creeping gun ban, believes the constitutional right to keep and bear arms should only be permanently revoked in cases where an individual has been convicted of a violent felony and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 6, 2019 by a vote of 27-15 and the bill was signed into law.

10. **SB 489 Driving up Consumer Energy Costs to Advance a Politicized Energy Agenda.** This bill drives up consumer energy costs and will ultimately lay off thousands of New Mexico workers by advancing a politicized energy agenda. Under the bill, the state is required to adopt a 100% carbon-free electricity supply by 2045. Additionally, all coal-fired energy facilities must be shut down and replaced with taxpayer-subsidized renewable energy facilities—estimated to cost over $1 billion. ACU supports all sources of energy, believes government should not favor one source of energy over another, opposes harming families through higher electricity costs to pursue “Green New Deal” fantasies and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 6, 2019 by a vote of 32-9 and the bill was signed into law.

11. **SB 342 Prohibiting Adults Ages 18 to 21 from Purchasing Nicotine Products.** This bill infringes individual liberties by prohibiting adults ages 18 to 21 from purchasing nicotine products. Under the bill, the state’s tobacco ban is expanded to include vaping products such as Juul and prohibits adults age 21 and younger from purchasing nicotine products. ACU believes that the use of nicotine products is an individual liberty issue and that individuals old enough to fight for their country are fully capable of deciding whether to use nicotine products and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 7, 2019 by a vote of 38-0. (The failed to advance in the House.)

12. **SB 547 Providing Substantial and Unnecessary Pay Raises to Elected Executive Branch Officials.** This bill unnecessarily increases taxpayer costs by providing 15% salary increases to elected officials within the executive branch. Under the bill, the governor, attorney general, state auditor, state treasurer, secretary of state and each regulatory commissioner each receive pay increases. ACU recognizes that the state will have no problem attracting applicants for the most powerful positions in government and should instead use its financial resources to reduce taxes or save the funds for periods of economic downturn and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 7, 2019 by a vote of 37-3 but it was vetoed by the governor.
13. **SB 375 Driving up Lodging Costs by Imposing a New Tenancy Tax.** This bill drives up lodging costs by permitting certain municipalities to impose new tenancy taxes on long term lodging providers. Under the bill, municipalities may impose tenancy taxes up to 5% of lodging revenues for stays over 30 days and priced at $20 per day and greater. This new tax is designed to target “temporary residence” and is in addition to the occupancy tax which already taxes lodging. ACU opposes driving up consumer and business costs by imposing unnecessary new taxes in addition to taxes already imposed and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 8, 2019 by a vote of 21-18. (The bill failed to advance in the House.)

14. **SB 437 Reducing Employment by Hiking the Minimum Wage to $12 per Hour.** This bill reduces job opportunities by steadily hiking the minimum wage to $12 per hour by 2023 for most professions and $3 per hour plus tips for tipped employees. Additionally, the bill raises the minimum wage students must be paid to $8.50. ACU opposes these artificial wages that hurt those who need employment the most, such as students and inexperienced workers, supports the ability of employees to negotiate their own pay and benefits and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 8, 2019 by a vote of 27-15 and the bill was signed into law.

15. **SB 518 Socializing the Cost of Homeowner Solar Energy Panels and Installations.** This bill forces taxpayers to subsidize up to $5 million-worth of solar panels for select homeowners. Under the bill, homeowners who install solar panels on their properties are eligible for personal income tax credits up to $6,000 or 10% of the purchase and installation costs. ACU supports all sources of energy, believes government should not support one source of energy over another, that it is not the proper role of government to force taxpayers to subsidize the home improvements of select homeowners and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 8, 2019 by a vote of 29-12. (The bill failed to advance in the House.)

16. **HB 275 Promoting Racial Discrimination and Expanding a “Loan Forgiveness” Subsidy for Teachers.** This bill promotes racial discrimination by mandating that “loan forgiveness” and subsidies for aspiring teachers be awarded based on race. Additionally, a new program subsidizing the tuition, fees, books and living expenses for aspiring teachers must also select recipients based on their race. ACU believes that racism and policies that discriminate based on race are wrong. Instead, we believe in equal rights under the law for all, believe that government should not award taxpayer funds to individuals based on race and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 9, 2019 by a vote of 38-0 and the bill was signed into law.

17. **HB 85 Eliminating the Right to Work without Joining a Union.** This bill infringes individual liberties and enriches union bosses by eliminating the right of individuals to work without joining a union, also known as the “right to work.” Additionally, local governments are prohibited from establishing their own right to work ordinances. ACU opposes enriching union bosses and supports the individual liberty to earn a paycheck without the deduction of union dues and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 10, 2019 by a vote of 23-19 and the bill was signed into law.

18. **SB 2 Socializing Private Film Production Costs to Enrich Union Bosses.** This bill forces taxpayers to further subsidize the film industry by more than doubling (now $110 million) the amount of tax credits provided to film producers. Additionally, film companies may now receive tax credits up to 30% of production costs (previously 25%). Furthermore, the bill expands the litany of eligible expenditures to include wages of “below-the-line crew,” among dozens of others. ACU opposes cronyism which awards benefits to individuals and industries favored by government and believes taxpayers should not face higher tax burdens to subsidize union bosses in the private film industry and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 12, 2019 by a vote of 32-8 and the bill was signed into law.
19. **HB 55 Disenfranchising Voters by Subverting the Electoral College.** This bill disenfranchises New Mexico voters by rejecting their votes for president in favor of the will of voters in other states. Under this scheme, the presidential electors who represent New Mexico voters are forced to cast their votes for president based on the national popular vote, even if that candidate doesn’t win the popular vote in New Mexico. ACU opposes this direct attack on the will of voters and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 12, 2019 by a vote of 25-16 and the bill was signed into law.

20. **SB 672 Weakening Election Integrity by Establishing Automatic and Same-Day Voter Registration.** This bill weakens election integrity by establishing automatic voter registration at the DMV and allowing individuals to register to vote on the same day as an election. Under the bill, an individual can register to vote on election day by merely showing a driver’s license or any document containing an address in the county along with nearly any photo ID card. Additionally, individuals who update or apply for a driver’s license will automatically be registered to vote unless they opt out. Furthermore, the bill mandates that the department of human services (DHS) establish a system to register welfare recipients to vote. ACU opposes disenfranchising eligible voters by weakening ballot integrity and making it easier to commit voter fraud, opposes interfering in elections and the democratic process by lobbying welfare recipients or any select group of individuals to vote and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 12, 2019 by a vote of 24-16 and the bill was signed into law.

21. **HB 2 Abusing Taxpayer Funds by Hiking Spending by Nearly $800 Million.** This budget bill abuses taxpayer funds by increasing state spending by nearly $800 million. This gigantic spending hike represents a roughly 12% increase in spending compared to the previous year’s budget and includes millions of dollars to fund initiatives better served by the private sector, including $60 million for college athletics, $26 million for cultural affairs and $2 million for tourism development. ACU opposes excessive government spending and this complete disregard for responsible use of taxpayer funds and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 13, 2019 by a vote of 39-2 and the bill was signed into law.

22. **HB 370 Expanding Employment Opportunities through Petitions for Expungement of Certain Criminal Records.** This bill expands employment opportunities by providing individuals the opportunity to have a criminal conviction or wrongful arrest record expunged from public record under certain circumstances. Under the bill, individuals who have been wrongfully accused of a crime or whose cases did not result in convictions may petition a court to have their record expunged of the arrest. Additionally, individuals who have been convicted of certain crimes may petition for expungement if they have no other charges pending against them, have fulfilled all restitution to victims and have not been convicted of a separate offense for a certain number of years subsequent to the conviction (up to 10 years depending on the conviction). The bill prohibits expungement of certain crimes, including offenses committed against a child, crimes resulting in great bodily harm or death and certain sex offenses. ACU’s Nolan Center for Justice is a leading authority on this issue and works to pursue policies that cut crime, reduce the size and scope of government and responsibly reduce incarceration rates. ACU supports efforts to reduce recidivism and expand economic growth by making it easier for those with nonviolent criminal records to obtain employment and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 13, 2019 by a vote of 28-13 and the bill was signed into law.

23. **HB 51 Eliminating All Safeguards for Unborn Children and Pregnant Women Considering Abortion.** This bill advances an absurd and cruel abortion-at-all-costs agenda that eliminates protections for pregnant women and their unborn children. Under the bill, individuals without medical licenses would be able to take the lives of unborn children even without the consent of a minor’s parents. Additionally, the bill eliminates First Amendment protections by forcing health care providers to abort children even if they have religious and moral objections. Finally, because the bill repeals all state laws regarding abortion, lawmaking authority would be deferred to US Supreme Court decisions such as Planned Parenthood v. Casey which eliminate protections for unborn children as old as 20 weeks. ACU believes this bill is a tragic and cruel attack on the lives of unborn children at which even zealous, far-left activists should be appalled. ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions on the practice, supports the religious and moral protections under the First Amendment and opposed this bill. The Senate defeated the bill on March 14, 2019 by a vote of 18-24.
24. **HB 58 Driving up Health Care Costs by Mandating Insurance Coverage of Artery Calcification Screenings.** This bill drives up health insurance costs by mandating that all insurance policies offered in the state (including Medicaid) for certain individuals provide coverage for artery calcification screenings. Under the bill, health insurance policies would be required to provide coverage of these screenings for individuals ages 30 to 76 and not include any deductible. While ACU sympathizes with those who rely on this coverage, we oppose health insurance mandates which limit the ability of individuals to choose the health insurance plans that best suit their needs and drive up the cost of insurance for everyone and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 14, 2019 by a vote of 29-6 but it was vetoed by the governor.

25. **HB 89 Driving up Insurance Costs by Imposing a Contraceptive Coverage Mandate.** This bill drives up health care costs and infringes the ability of patients to choose the policies that best suit their needs by imposing a mandate to cover contraceptives. Under the bill, nearly all insurance policies offered in the state are forced to provide coverage for contraceptives for both men and women. Specifically, the bill requires six month supplies and coverage for both hormonal contraceptives and vasectomies. Additionally, these drugs and services must be provided without any deductible or copayment charged to insureds. ACU believes the use of contraceptives is a matter of individual liberty and something others should not be forced to pay for through higher insurance premiums, opposes this mandate which is designed to enrich contraceptive providers and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 14, 2019 by a vote of 25-8 and the bill was signed into law.

26. **HB 205 Forcing Private Businesses to Provide Baby-Changing Stations in Restrooms.** This bill forces nearly all private businesses which construct new restrooms to install baby-changing stations. Under the bill, baby-changing facilities must be included in dozens of private businesses, including restaurants, hotels, movie theaters, zoos and golf courses. Parents have been caring for their children for millennia. Foisting ridiculous and unnecessary mandates and costs on businesses will not help parents but instead result in higher costs for goods and services for everyone. ACU supports the ability of private businesses to construct accommodations that best serve their clientele, opposes this excessive government overreach that ultimately drives up costs for individuals and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 14, 2019 by a vote of 26-12 and the bill was signed into law.

27. **HB 312 Closing a Loophole which Local Governments Exploited to Continue Illegal Civil Asset Forfeiture.** This bill protects the property rights of individuals by closing a loophole exploited by local governments to continue civil asset forfeiture which was prohibited statewide by the 2015 Forfeiture Act. The bill clarifies that the prohibition of civil asset forfeiture absent a criminal conviction in fact does apply to local governments. Finally, the bill seeks to eliminate abuse of “equitable sharing,” in which federal government partners with state or local law enforcement to conduct forfeiture, by requiring state and local governments to report to the state auditor any proceeds from equitable sharing. ACU’s Nolan Center for Justice is a national leader in criminal justice reform and works to pursue policies that cut crime, reduce taxpayer costs and the scope of government and responsibly reduce incarceration rates. ACU supports strong protections against asset forfeiture abuse and believes a criminal conviction should be required in order to forfeit an individual’s property and supported this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 14, 2019 by a vote of 37-0 and the bill was signed into law.

28. **HB 436 Driving up Health Care Costs by Preserving Obamacare.** This bill drives up the cost of health care by preserving Obamacare health insurance mandates at the state level. Under the bill, insurers are prohibited from considering health status, evidence of insurability or pre-existing conditions when providing coverage or setting premiums. ACU has long opposed Obamacare and its costly mandates that have caused skyrocketing insurance premiums and deductibles and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 14, 2019 by a vote of 21-14 and the bill was signed into law.

29. **HB 6 Imposing $580 Million in Additional Taxes to Fuel Out-of-Control Spending.** This bill places significant financial burdens on New Mexicans by imposing over $580 million in new taxes. The tax hikes come at a time when the state already has over $1 billion in budget reserves, largely due to the outstanding governance and budgeting led by former governor Susana Martinez. Under the bill, taxes are increased for motor vehicle sales, capital gains, e-cigarettes such as Juul, cigars and internet sales. Additionally, high-income earners are subject to a 20% tax hike if the state’s tax revenues fail to grow by at least 5%. These additional taxes are meant to fuel millions in new spending initiatives, including hiring more bureaucrats and hiking salaries for government employees. ACU believes it is absurd to harm millions of New Mexican families by imposing enormous taxes at a time of budget surplus, believes the state should cut spending instead of expanding government to appease Governor Lujan Grisham’s left-wing initiatives and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 15, 2019 by a vote of 32-8 and the bill was signed into law.
30. **HB 128 Increasing College Subsidies for Seniors Age 65 and Older.** This bill increases college subsidies for seniors age 65 and older by increasing the number of credit hours eligible for “reduced tuition” which is set at $5 per credit hour. College tuition is already too costly because of harmful state mandates and regulations. This additional mandate will result in even costlier tuition for students for whom these colleges are designed. ACU believes subsidizing higher education represents the largest wealth transfer from lower-income individuals to wealthy individuals, opposes this subsidy for seniors who have already spent a lifetime accruing knowledge and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 15, 2019 by a vote of 57-2 and the bill was signed into law.

31. **HB 322 Expanding a Health Insurance Mandate to Cover Autism Spectrum Disorder.** This bill drives up health insurance costs by expanding a mandate that forces all insurance policies offered in the state to provide coverage for autism spectrum disorders. Previously, the mandate only applied to individuals age 22 and younger. This bill expands the mandate to include individuals of all ages and prevents any annual or lifetime caps on coverage. While ACU sympathizes with those who are impacted by autism, we oppose health care mandates which limit the ability of individuals to choose the health insurance plans that best suit their needs and drive up the cost of insurance for everyone and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 15, 2019 by a vote of 32-0 and the bill was signed into law.

32. **HB 440 Expanding a Renewable Energy Program that Places Taxpayer Funds at Risk.** This bill further expands taxpayer provided financing for the renewable energy industry. Under the bill, owners of commercial properties located within the limits of an incorporated municipality may be eligible to participate in certain renewable energy programs if authorized by the municipality. These programs, commonly known as PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy), provide property owners financing for solar energy equipment through an additional property tax assessment. ACU does not believe it is the proper role of government to provide financing services, opposes this program which places taxpayer funds at risk in event of default and opposed this bill. The Senate passed the bill on March 15, 2019 by a vote of 31-8 and the bill was signed into law.
NEW MEXICO HOUSE STATISTICS

OVERALL AVERAGE 37%

REPUBLICAN AVERAGE 80%

DEMOCRAT AVERAGE 15%

LOWEST REPUBLICANS
DOW, REBECCA REHM, WILLIAM 66%

HIGHEST DEMOCRAT
SWEETSER, CANDIE 40%

NEW MEXICO HOUSE CONSERVATIVE RATINGS
RED = REPUBLICANS
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+ = Member voted with ACU’s position
- = Member voted against ACU’s position
n/a = Veto
x = Member was absent for vote

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1. **SB 199 Restricting the Surveillance State by Requiring Warrants for Electronic Data Seizures.** This bill strengthens privacy protections and restricts the surveillance state by requiring government to obtain a warrant before seizing certain electronic data. Specifically, the bill prevents law enforcement from using ‘stingrays’ which simulate cell towers and collect cellphone communication content. ACU supports the use of warrants, supports strengthening individual privacy protections and civil liberties and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on January 30, 2019 by a vote of 68-0 and the bill was signed into law.

2. **HB 55 Disenfranchising Voters by Subverting the Electoral College.** This bill disenfranchises New Mexico voters by rejecting their votes for president in favor of the will of voters in other states. Under this scheme, the presidential electors who represent New Mexico voters are forced to cast their votes for president based on the national popular vote, even if that candidate doesn’t win the popular vote in New Mexico. ACU opposes this direct attack on the will of voters and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 1, 2019 by a vote of 41-27 and the bill was signed into law.

3. **HB 51 Eliminating All Safeguards for Unborn Children and Pregnant Women Considering Abortion.** This bill advances an absurd and cruel abortion-at-all-costs agenda that eliminates protections for pregnant women and their unborn children. Under the bill, individuals without medical licenses would be able to take the lives of unborn children even without the consent of a minor’s parents. Additionally, the bill eliminates First Amendment protections by forcing health care providers to abort children even if they have religious and moral objections. Finally, because the bill repeals all state laws regarding abortion, lawmakers would be referred to US Supreme Court decisions such as Planned Parenthood v. Casey which eliminate protections for unborn children as old as 20 weeks. ACU believes this bill is a tragic and cruel attack on the lives of unborn children at which even zealous, far-left activists should be appalled. ACU believes abortion is a human tragedy, supports restrictions on the practice, supports the religious and moral protections under the First Amendment and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 6, 2019 by a vote of 40-29. (The bill was defeated in the Senate.)

4. **HB 31 Reducing Employment by Mandating a 60% Minimum Wage Hike with Unlimited Future Increases.** This bill reduces job opportunities by mandating a 60% minimum wage increase and repealing an exemption from the minimum wage for tipped employees. Under the bill, all employers must pay $12 per hour by 2021 and future increases are automatically enacted in perpetuity based on the national cost of living. Additionally, the tips earned by employees may no longer be considered when determining compliance with minimum wage mandates and tipped employees must be paid at 30% of the minimum wage. ACU opposes these artificial wages that hurt those who need employment the most, such as students and inexperienced workers, supports the ability of employees to negotiate their own wages and benefits and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 13, 2019 by a vote of 44-26. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate but a similar bill, SB 437, was signed into law.)

5. **HJR 1 Harming State Financial Stability by Raiding the Permanent Fund.** This joint resolution is yet another attempt to harm state financial stability by raiding the permanent fund. The resolution raids the permanent fund, an investment account which generates interest that helps to fund public K-12 education, by increasing the maximum expenditures from the fund from 5% to 6%. That additional 1% ($175 million per year) is required to be spent on early education, including pre-kindergarten, yet sectarian and denominational schools are prohibited from receiving a single penny of those funds. ACU believes it is extremely reckless to fund a recurring program by draining the state’s permanent fund, which will reduce interest income (ultimately resulting in higher taxes to pay for state education costs), and reduce reserves on-hand during a financial crisis and opposed this resolution. The House passed the joint resolution on February 15, 2019 by a vote of 41-27. (The resolution failed to advance in the Senate.)
6. **HB 89 Driving up Insurance Costs by Imposing a Contraceptive Coverage Mandate.** This bill drives up health care costs and infringes the ability of patients to choose the policies that best suit their needs by imposing a mandate to cover contraceptives. Under the bill, nearly all insurance policies offered in the state are forced to provide coverage for contraceptives for both men and women. Specifically, the bill requires six month supplies and coverage for both hormonal contraceptives and vasectomies. Additionally, these drugs and services must be provided without any deductible or copayment charged to insureds. ACU believes the use of contraceptives is a matter of individual liberty and something others should not be forced to pay for through higher insurance premiums, opposes this mandate which is designed to enrich contraceptive providers and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 18, 2019 by a vote of 40-24 and the bill was signed into law.

7. **HB 84 Disenfranchising Eligible Voters by Requiring Automatic Voter Registration at the DMV.** This bill creates greater opportunity for voter fraud by completely flipping the voter registration process at the Department of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and other state agencies by automatically registering individuals to vote unless they opt out. Previously, the DMV was permitted to offer voter registration to individuals who affirmatively opted in to the program. Under the bill, anyone applying for or updating a driver’s license or ID card will be automatically registered to vote or have their registration updated unless individuals explicitly opt out. Additionally, the deadline for state agencies to submit voter registrations to the secretary of state is reduced from 10 days to seven days. ACU opposes automatic voter registration which disenfranchises eligible voters by weakening ballot integrity and making it easier to commit voter fraud and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 19, 2019 by a vote of 44-22. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate but a similar bill, SB 672, was signed into law.)

8. **HB 86 Disenfranchising Eligible Voters by Permitting Same-Day Voter Registration.** This bill disenfranchises eligible voters by allowing individuals to register to vote at polling sites on election day which creates greater opportunities for voter fraud. Under the bill, same-day registration is permitted if an individual presents any document containing an address in the state and a photo ID, including student ID card and signs an affidavit that they have not already voted. Additionally, polling places must issue provisional ballots to individuals even if the polling place does not have access to the statewide electronic voter file which allows the state to verify eligible voters. ACU opposes these measures which disenfranchise eligible voters by denying the state adequate time and appropriate procedures to verify eligibility to vote and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 19, 2019 by a vote of 44-22. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate but a similar bill, SB 672, was signed into law.)

9. **HB 128 Increasing College Subsidies for Seniors Age 65 and Older.** This bill increases college subsidies for seniors age 65 and older by increasing the number of credit hours eligible for “reduced tuition” which is set at $5 per credit hour. College tuition is already too costly because of harmful state mandates and regulations. This additional mandate will result in even costlier tuition for students for whom these colleges are designed. ACU believes subsidizing higher education represents the largest wealth transfer from lower-income individuals to wealthy individuals, opposes this subsidy for seniors who have already spent a lifetime accruing knowledge and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 20, 2019 by a vote of 60-0 and the bill was signed into law.

10. **HB 2 Abusing Taxpayer Funds by Hiking Spending by Nearly $800 Million.** This budget bill abuses taxpayer funds by increasing state spending by nearly $800 million. This gigantic spending hike represents a roughly 12% increase in spending compared to the previous year’s budget and includes millions of dollars to fund initiatives better served by the private sector, including $60 million for college athletics, $26 million for cultural affairs and $2 million for tourism development. ACU opposes excessive government spending and this complete disregard for responsible use of taxpayer funds and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 21, 2019 by a vote of 46-23 and the bill was signed into law.
11. **HB 58 Driving up Health Care Costs by Mandating Insurance Coverage of Artery Calcification Screenings.** This bill drives up health insurance costs by mandating that all insurance policies offered in the state (including Medicaid) for certain individuals provide coverage for artery calcification screenings. Under the bill, health insurance policies would be required to provide coverage of these screenings for individuals ages 30 to 76 and not include any deductible. While ACU sympathizes with those who rely on this coverage, we oppose health insurance mandates which limit the ability of individuals to choose the health insurance plans that best suit their needs and drive up the cost of insurance for everyone and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 21, 2019 by a vote of 42-21 but it was vetoed by the governor.

12. **HB 85 Eliminating the Right to Work without Joining a Union.** This bill infringes individual liberties and enriches union bosses by eliminating the right of individuals to work without joining a union, also known as the ‘right to work.’ Additionally, local governments are prohibited from establishing their own right to work ordinances. ACU opposes enriching union bosses and supports the individual liberty to earn a paycheck without the deduction of union dues and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 22, 2019 by a vote of 43-23 and the bill was signed into law.

13. **HB 289 Subsidizing the Renewable Energy Industry by Earmarking Natural Resource Extraction Taxes.** This bill is a crony scheme to enrich individuals in the renewable energy industry by dedicating severance tax revenues to renewable energy. Under the bill, at least 1% of severance tax revenues (derived from the tax on natural resource extraction) must subsidize individual businesses, projects and public financing schemes that support the renewable energy industry. The bill subsidizes those entities and projects by as much as 50% of their costs. ACU opposes socialism, supports all sources of energy, believes government should not favor one source of energy over another and opposed this bill. The House passed this bill on February 22, 2019 by a vote of 43-19. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)

14. **HB 322 Expanding a Health Insurance Mandate to Cover Autism Spectrum Disorder.** This bill drives up health insurance costs by expanding a mandate that forces all insurance policies offered in the state to provide coverage for autism spectrum disorders. Previously, the mandate only applied to individuals age 22 and younger. This bill expands the mandate to include individuals of all ages and prevents any annual or lifetime caps on coverage. While ACU sympathizes with those who are impacted by autism, we oppose health care mandates which limit the ability of individuals to choose the health insurance plans that best suit their needs and drive up the cost of insurance for everyone and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 22, 2019 by a vote of 50-14 and the bill was signed into law.

15. **HB 312 Closing a Loophole which Local Governments Exploited to Continue Illegal Civil Asset Forfeiture.** This bill protects the property rights of individuals by closing a loophole exploited by local governments to continue civil asset forfeiture which was prohibited statewide by the 2015 Forfeiture Act. The bill clarifies that the prohibition of civil asset forfeiture absent a criminal conviction in fact does apply to local governments. Finally, the bill seeks to eliminate abuse of ‘equitable sharing,’ in which federal government partners with state or local law enforcement to conduct forfeiture, by requiring state and local governments to report to the state auditor any proceeds from equitable sharing. ACUF’s Nolan Center for Justice is a national leader in criminal justice reform and works to pursue policies that cut crime, reduce taxpayer costs and the scope of government and responsibly reduce incarceration rates. ACU supports strong protections against asset forfeiture abuse and believes a criminal conviction should be required in order to forfeit an individual’s property and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on February 25, 2019 by a vote of 61-5 and the bill was signed into law.
16. **HB 370 Expanding Employment Opportunities through Petitions for Expungement of Certain Criminal Records.** This bill expands employment opportunities by providing individuals the opportunity to have a criminal conviction or wrongful arrest record expunged from public record under certain circumstances. Under the bill, individuals who have been wrongfully accused of a crime or whose cases did not result in convictions may petition a court to have their record expunged of the arrest. Additionally, individuals who have been convicted of certain crimes may petition for expungement if they have no other charges pending against them, have fulfilled all restitution to victims and have not been convicted of a separate offense for a certain number of years subsequent to the conviction (up to 10 years depending on the conviction). The bill prohibits expungement of certain crimes, including offenses committed against a child, crimes resulting in great bodily harm or death and certain sex offenses. ACU’s Nolan Center for Justice is a leading authority on this issue and works to pursue policies that cut crime, reduce the size and scope of government and responsibly reduce incarceration rates. ACU supports efforts to reduce recidivism and expand economic growth by making it easier for those with nonviolent criminal records to obtain employment and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on February 26, 2019 by a vote of 52-17 and the bill was signed into law.

17. **HB 275 Promoting Racial Discrimination and Expanding a “Loan Forgiveness” Subsidy for Teachers.** This bill promotes racial discrimination by mandating that “loan forgiveness” and subsidies for aspiring teachers be awarded based on race. Additionally, a new program subsidizing the tuition, fees, books and living expenses for aspiring teachers must also select recipients based on their race. ACU believes that racism and policies that discriminate based on race are wrong. Instead, we believe in equal rights under the law for all, believe that government should not award taxpayer funds to individuals based on race and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 28, 2019 by a vote of 64-0 and the bill was signed into law.

18. **HB 440 Expanding a Renewable Energy Program that Places Taxpayer Funds at Risk.** This bill further expands taxpayer provided financing for the renewable energy industry. Under the bill, owners of commercial properties located within the limits of an incorporated municipality may be eligible to participate in certain renewable energy programs if authorized by the municipality. These programs, commonly known as PACE (Property Assessed Clean Energy), provide property owners financing for solar energy equipment through an additional property tax assessment. ACU does not believe it is the proper role of government to provide financing services, opposes this program which places taxpayer funds at risk in event of default and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on February 28, 2019 by a vote of 35-28 and the bill was signed into law.

19. **HB 6 Imposing $580 Million in Additional Taxes to Fuel Out-of-Control Spending.** This bill places significant financial burdens on New Mexicans by imposing over $580 million in new taxes. The tax hikes come at a time when the state already has over $1 billion in budget reserves, largely due to the outstanding governance and budgeting led by former governor Susana Martinez. Under the bill, taxes are increased for motor vehicle sales, capital gains, e-cigarettes such as Juul, cigars and internet sales. Additionally, high-income earners are subject to a 20% tax hike if the state’s tax revenues fail to grow by at least 5%. These additional taxes are meant to fuel millions in new spending initiatives, including hiring more bureaucrats and hiking salaries for government employees. ACU believes it is absurd to harm millions of New Mexican families by imposing enormous taxes at a time of budget surplus, believes the state should cut spending instead of expanding government to appease Governor Lujan Grisham’s left-wing initiatives and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 1, 2019 by a vote of 40-25 and the bill was signed into law.
20. HB 205 Forcing Private Businesses to Provide Baby-Changing Stations in Restrooms. This bill forces nearly all private businesses which construct new restrooms to install baby-changing stations. Under the bill, baby-changing facilities must be included in dozens of private businesses, including restaurants, hotels, movie theaters, zoos and golf courses. Parents have been caring for their children for millennia. Foisting ridiculous and unnecessary mandates and costs on businesses will not help parents but instead result in higher costs for goods and services for everyone. ACU supports the ability of private businesses to construct accommodations that best serve their clientele, opposes this excessive government overreach that ultimately drives up costs for individuals and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 3, 2019 by a vote of 61-0 and the bill was signed into law.

21. SB 8 Imposing Excessive Restrictions on Second Amendment Rights of Law-Abiding Individuals. This bill imposes excessive burdens on law-abiding individuals by requiring FBI background checks for nearly every private sale of firearms. Under the bill, requirements for FBI background checks are expanded to include sales of firearms between neighbors, coworkers and friends. This bill is not actually intended to reduce violence because there is no statistically significant evidence that suggests mandatory background checks improve public safety. Instead, the bill is clearly designed to restrict the constitutional rights of law-abiding citizens. ACU supports the founders’ belief in the Second Amendment and opposes this costly and undue burden on law-abiding firearm purchasers and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 4, 2019 by a vote of 42-27 and the bill was signed into law.

22. HB 436 Driving up Health Care Costs by Preserving Obamacare. This bill drives up the cost of health care by preserving Obamacare health insurance mandates at the state level. Under the bill, insurers are prohibited from considering health status, evidence of insurability or pre-existing conditions when providing coverage or setting premiums. ACU has long opposed Obamacare and its costly mandates that have caused skyrocketing insurance premiums and deductibles and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 7, 2019 by a vote of 40-24 and the bill was signed into law.

23. SB 124 Protecting the Wellbeing of Incarcerated Women and their Children. This bill protects the normal and health neurological development of children by allowing incarcerated women to breastfeed in correctional facilities in the state. ACUF’s Nolan Center for Justice is a national leader in criminal justice reform and works to cut crime, reduce taxpayer costs, protect victims, define the proper scope of government, and responsibly reduce incarceration rates. ACU supports efforts to protect the wellbeing of all children and supported this bill. The House passed the bill on March 9, 2019 by a vote of 58-2 and the bill was signed into law.

24. SB 123 Interfering in Employer Paid Leave Policies. This bill makes it more costly and less likely for employers to offer paid leave by mandating that any employer who offers a paid leave policy permit its use for “family care.” As a result, an employer is forced to provide paid leave to any employee who states they are caring for a parent, relative, domestic partner or household member. ACU believes employers and employees should be free to negotiate their own benefits, opposes this infringement of the right to contract which may limit the ability of employees to receive other benefits and job perks and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 10, 2019 by a vote of 50-15 and the bill was signed into law.

25. HB 221 Socializing Home Energy Efficiency Upgrade Costs. This bill forces taxpayers to spend $2 million per year on a program which provides tax credits to certain homeowners who make “energy efficiency improvements” to their properties. Under the bill, homeowners are eligible for fully refundable income tax credits up to $4,000 if they reduce their home’s energy consumption by at least 40%. ACU supports the ability of homeowners to make energy efficiency upgrades to their homes but opposes socializing these costs onto other taxpayers and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 10, 2019 by a vote of 48-14. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)
26. **HB 421 Infringing Parental Rights by Prohibiting Individuals under Age 18 from Tanning.** This bill infringes parental rights and places a series of burdensome mandates on tanning facilities. Under the bill, individuals under age 18 are prohibited from tanning in private facilities, even if their parents provide consent. Additionally, private facilities must apply annually for licensure, keep lifetime records of all clients, impose restrictions on usage based on users’ skin tone and provide eyewear at no cost. Furthermore, the state is authorized to enter and search any private facility without notice and local governments are authorized to impose mandates even more excessive than those at the state level. ACU opposes infringing parental rights, opposes holding businesses unreasonably responsible for the choices of consumers, opposes authorizing government to conduct searches without warrants and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 11, 2019 by a vote of 30-26. (The bill failed to advance in the Senate.)

27. **SB 85 Reducing Employment by Expanding the Application of the Minimum Wage to Domestic Work.** This bill reduces job opportunities by expanding the minimum wage mandate to cover domestic services. Previous law exempted domestic service from minimum wage mandates, allowing individuals to freely contract for services such as babysitting, housekeeping and gardening and adult care without the restriction of minimum wage requirements. Under the bill, those services must be compensated at the high minimum wage rate imposed under SB 437 (#29 in this guide) despite the fact other benefits are often available to domestic workers such as no cost housing, transportation and meals. ACU opposes these artificial wages that make domestic services unaffordable and diminish job opportunities by preventing individuals from freely contracting for other benefits and job perks and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 12, 2019 by a vote of 52-14 and the bill was signed into law.

28. **SB 489 Driving up Consumer Energy Costs to Advance a Politicized Energy Agenda.** This bill drives up consumer energy costs and will ultimately lay off thousands of New Mexico workers by advancing a politicized energy agenda. Under the bill, the state is required to adopt a 100% carbon-free electricity supply by 2045. Additionally, all coal-fired energy facilities must be shut down and replaced with taxpayer-subsidized renewable energy facilities—estimated to cost over $1 billion. ACU supports all sources of energy, believes government should not favor one source of energy over another, opposes harming families through higher electricity costs to pursue “Green New Deal” fantasies and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 12, 2019 by a vote of 43-22 and the bill was signed into law.

29. **SB 437 Reducing Employment by Hiking the Minimum Wage to $12 per Hour.** This bill reduces job opportunities by steadily hiking the minimum wage to $12 per hour by 2023 for most professions and $3 per hour plus tips for tipped employees. Additionally, the bill raises the minimum wage students must be paid to $8.50. ACU opposes these artificial wages that hurt those who need employment the most, such as students and inexperienced workers, supports the ability of employees to negotiate their own pay and benefits and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 13, 2019 by a vote of 43-21 and the bill was signed into law.

30. **SB 672 Weakening Election Integrity by Establishing Automatic and Same-Day Voter Registration.** This bill weakens election integrity by establishing automatic voter registration at the DMV and allowing individuals to register to vote on the same day as an election. Under the bill, an individual can register to vote on election day by merely showing a driver’s license or any document containing an address in the county along with nearly any photo ID card. Additionally, individuals who update or apply for a driver’s license will automatically be registered to vote unless they opt out. Furthermore, the bill mandates that the department of human services (DHS) establish a system to register welfare recipients to vote. ACU opposes disenfranchising eligible voters by weakening ballot integrity and making it easier to commit voter fraud, opposes interfering in elections and the democratic process by lobbying welfare recipients or any select group of individuals to vote and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 14, 2019 by a vote of 45-22 and the bill was signed into law.

31. **SB 2 Socializing Private Film Production Costs to Enrich Union Bosses.** This bill forces taxpayers to further subsidize the film industry by more than doubling (now $110 million) the amount of tax credits provided to film producers. Additionally, film companies may now receive tax credits up to 30% of production costs (previously 25%). Furthermore, the bill expands the litany of eligible expenditures to include wages of “below-the-line crew,” among dozens of others. ACU opposes cronyism which awards benefits to individuals and industries favored by government and believes taxpayers should not face higher tax burdens to subsidize union bosses in the private film industry and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 15, 2019 by a vote of 41-24 and the bill was signed into law.
32. SB 229 Weakening School Accountability Standards. This bill weakens standards in place to measure the educational quality of schools. Under the bill, measurements of academic achievement in core subject matters are eliminated and instead social wellbeing is prioritized to evaluate schools. ACU opposes weakening educational standards and transparency, opposes permitting poor schools and educators to continue to fail children and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 15, 2019 by a vote of 48-16 and the bill was signed into law.

33. SB 328 Permanently Revoking Second Amendment Rights for Misdemeanor Crimes. This bill permanently revokes the Second Amendment rights of individuals who have merely committed certain misdemeanor offenses. The bill’s provisions covering this issue are extremely broad and permanently prevent an individual from possessing a firearm even after they have paid their debt to society. ACUF’s Nolan Center for Justice is a national leader in criminal justice reform and works to cut crime, reduce taxpayer costs, protect victims, define the proper scope of government, and responsibly reduce incarceration rates. ACU supports the founders’ belief in the Second Amendment, opposes this creeping gun ban, believes the constitutional right to keep and bear arms should only be permanently revoked in cases where an individual has been convicted of a violent felony and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 15, 2019 by a vote of 38-31 and the bill was signed into law.

34. SB 354 Imposing Costly Mandates on Telemedicine. This bill drives up the cost of telemedicine (health care services provided over the internet and other digital media). Specifically, the bill mandates that all insurance plans offered in the state must reimburse telemedicine services at the same rate as traditional, in-person services. Furthermore, insurers must not establish any other conditions or restrictions on telemedicine that they do not apply to in-person services such as annual or lifetime cap on telemedicine. ACU opposes these one-size-fits-all mandates that hinder the cost-effectiveness of innovative services such as telemedicine while interfering in the marketplace and infringing on contracting rights and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 15, 2019 by a vote of 62-1 and the bill was signed into law.

35. SB 547 Providing Substantial and Unnecessary Pay Raises to Elected Executive Branch Officials. This bill unnecessarily increases taxpayer costs by providing 15% salary increases to elected officials within the executive branch. Under the bill, the governor, attorney general, state auditor, state treasurer, secretary of state and each regulatory commissioner each receive pay increases. ACU recognizes that the state will have no problem attracting applicants for the most powerful positions in government and should instead use its financial resources to reduce taxes or save the funds for periods of economic downturn and opposed this bill. The House passed the bill on March 15, 2019 by a vote of 46-16 but it was vetoed by the governor.