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This legislator voted constitutionally on **67%** of the votes shown below.

★ Pro-liberty ✗ Anti-liberty ? Did not Vote **Vote**

1. SB1577 Reducing the Individual Income Tax (failed 29 to 31 on 6/12/2023). Would direct the Arizona Department of Revenue to reduce the individual income tax rate by 50% of the structural surplus for each taxable year beginning with TY 2024. **Yes**

2. SB1146 Divesting from Abortion and Sexually Explicit Material (passed 31 to 27 on 5/15/2023). Would require the State Treasurer to divest from organizations that promote, facilitate, or advocate abortions for minors or the inclusion of sexually explicit material in grades K-12. **Yes**

3. SB1729 Increasing "Basic State Aid" for K-12 Schools (passed 43 to 16 on 5/10/2023). Increases the "Basic State Aid" for K-12 education in FY 2024 to support various government-sponsored programs, such as the "federal Free-and-Reduced Lunch Program" and "county jail education programs." **Yes**

4. HB2826 Extending Government Health Care (passed 56 to 3 on 5/10/2023). Continues the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System—the state's Medicaid program—through January 1, 2029. **Yes**

5. HCR2016 Article V Convention: Term Limits (failed 26 to 31 on 4/11/2023). Would apply to Congress to call a convention for the purpose of proposing a constitutional amendment that sets term limits on the members of Congress. **No**

6. HB2394 Nullifying Federal Gun Control Measures (passed 31 to 29 on 2/21/2023). Would clarify that federal gun control measures that may not be enforced if inconsistent with Arizona law include certain taxes "expected to create a chilling effect" on the purchase or ownership of firearms, firearm accessories, or ammunition. **Yes**

ARIZONA LEGISLATIVE
SCORECARD
BASED ON THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

Rep. Rachel Jones
Lifetime Score: 67%

AZ Scorecard 2023
2023 Regular Session Score

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U.S. Constitution, Amendment I --- 11 C.F.R. §114(4)(c)(4) --- 616 F.2d 45 (2d Cir. 1980)

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Bill Descriptions for the Votes that Affect You

1. Reducing the Individual Income Tax

SB1577 would direct the Arizona Department of Revenue to reduce the individual income tax rate by 50% of the structural surplus for each taxable year beginning with TY 2024.

The income tax is an immoral, anti-constitutional act of government-imposed theft that takes from citizens the wages they have rightfully earned. It disparages the principles of both the Bill of Rights and the 14th Amendment, which were intended to safeguard “private property” and guarantee “equal protection of the laws” for all Americans.

2. Divesting from Abortion and Sexually Explicit Material

SB1146 would require the State Treasurer to divest from organizations that promote, facilitate, or advocate abortions for minors or the inclusion of sexually explicit material in grades K-12.

Parents have the right—which the government has a duty to uphold—to protect their children from elicitation by abortion providers, as well as from exposure to other forms of obscene, indecent, or profane activity. This right is retained under and guaranteed by the 9th and 14th Amendments to the U.S. Constitution.

3. Increasing “Basic State Aid” for K-12 Schools

SB1729 increases the “Basic State Aid” for K-12 education in FY 2024 to support various government-sponsored programs, such as the “federal Free-and-Reduced Lunch Program” and “county jail education programs.”

Education ought not to be under the control of the state. A child's education is the responsibility of—and a fundamental right of choice retained by—his or her parents. Forcing the citizens of Arizona to furnish taxpayer money to expand a compulsory, failing, and government-run K-12 school system violates their individual liberties guaranteed by the Bill of Rights.

4. Extending Government Health Care

HB2826 continues the Arizona Health Care Cost Containment System—the state’s Medicaid program—through January 1, 2029.

Neither health care nor social welfare is the legitimate object of government. Medicaid, like other so-called ‘entitlement programs,’ not only relies on the discriminatory and unjust use of other citizens’ taxpayer funds in violation of the Bill of Rights and 14th Amendment, but continues to cause more debt, poverty, and government dependency in the United States.

5. Article V Convention: Term Limits

HCR2016 would apply to Congress to “call a convention limited to proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to set a limit on the number of terms a person may be elected as a Member of the United States House of Representatives and as a Member of the United States Senate.”

Term limits conflict with the right of the American people to choose their representatives. Moreover, the States should act immediately to nullify all unconstitutional federal laws, rather than risk a constitutional convention. Article V of the U.S. Constitution was designed to correct potential errors or defects in the Constitution, not the failure of elected officials to uphold their oath of office.

6. Nullifying Federal Gun Control Measures

HB2394 would clarify that federal gun control measures that may not be enforced if inconsistent with Arizona law include certain taxes “expected to create a chilling effect” on the purchase or ownership of firearms, firearm accessories, or ammunition.

The Second Amendment of the U.S. Constitution guarantees that the right of the American people “to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed.”

Whenever the federal government assumes power to impose blatantly unconstitutional firearms restrictions, nullification of such acts, as reserved to the States under the 10th Amendment, is the proper remedy.