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This legislator voted constitutionally on **83%** of the votes shown below.

CPH: Estimated cost per household.

★ Pro-liberty

✗ Anti-liberty

? Did not Vote

CPH

Vote

1. SB954 Sexual Education (Passed 63 to 7 on 8/31/2024). Mandates free condom access for grades 9-12 starting in 2025-26, promotes partnerships with health organizations, allocates \$5 million for community distribution, and prohibits age-based restrictions on nonprescription contraception.

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No



2. AB1992 Carbon Sequestration (Passed 58 to 9 on 8/30/2024). Allows for the development of "blue carbon" and "teal carbon" demonstration projects to study and quantify the carbon-sequestration potential of coastal and wetland ecosystems.

No



3. SB1105 Paid Sick Leave (Passed 72 to 0 on 8/29/2024). Extends paid sick leave to agricultural employees who work outside

Yes



4. SB1174 Voter ID Ban (Passed 57 to 16 on 8/27/2024). Prohibits local governments from requiring voters to present identification to vote or submit a ballot at any polling place, vote center, or other ballot-submission location.

No



5. SB53 Firearm Storage (Passed 51 to 18 on 8/26/2024). Imposes stricter firearm storage laws, forcing gun owners to lock up their firearms at home unless being carried or controlled by an authorized user.

No



6. AB2442 Gender-mutilation Care Licenses (Passed 62 to 10 on 5/13/2024). Requires California medical licensing boards to expedite licensure for applicants intending to provide so-called gender-affirming healthcare or mental healthcare, similar to the existing process for abortion providers.

No



CALIFORNIA LEGISLATIVE **SCORECARD** BASED ON THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

Rep. Joe Patterson

Lifetime Score: 83%

CA Scorecard 2024

2023 Regular Session Score 83%

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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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1. Sexual Education

SB954 mandates free condom distribution in California high schools (grades 9–12) starting 2025–26, ensures proper usage education, and prohibits restrictions on health centers providing condoms. It allocates \$5 million for community distribution, protects youth access to nonprescription contraception, aligns with the California Healthy Youth Act, and offers cost reimbursement to local agencies if funded by the state.

The California State Assembly passed SB954 on August 31, 2024 by a vote of 63 to 7. We have assigned pluses to the nays because the responsibility for the upbringing, education, and care of children, particularly on sensitive issues like sexual education, rests with parents—not the government. The Constitution's Bill of Rights and the 14th Amendment firmly protect parental rights, recognizing them as fundamental to liberty. Measures like SB954 are an overreach of government authority.

2. Carbon Sequestration

AB1992 allows for the development of "blue carbon" and "teal carbon" demonstration projects to study and quantify the carbon-sequestration potential of coastal and wetland ecosystems, aiding California's "climate resilience strategies."

The California State Assembly passed AB1992 on August 30, 2024 by a vote of 58 to 9. We have assigned pluses to the nays because this expands government, and tax dollars should not go toward complying with any aspect of the United Nations Agenda 2030. These projects prioritize globalist interests over national sovereignty.

3. Paid Sick Leave

SB1105 extends paid sick leave to agricultural employees who work outside, requiring employers to provide paid sick days if these workers need to avoid hazardous conditions such as smoke, heat, or flooding caused by an emergency.

The California State Assembly passed SB1105 on August 29, 2024 by a vote of 72 to 0. We have assigned pluses to the nays because government intervention in private business operations undermines the free market. Decisions about employee benefits, such as sick leave, should be left to businesses to determine based on market competition.

4. Voter ID Ban

SB1174 prohibits local governments from requiring voters to present identification to vote or submit a ballot at any polling place.

The California State Assembly passed SB1174 on August 27, 2024 by a vote of 57 to 16. We have assigned pluses to the nays because voter ID laws are essential for preserving the integrity of our election process. Repealing such laws undermines election integrity. Article IV, Section 2 of the U.S. Constitution guarantees that "citizens" of the United States "shall be entitled to all privileges and immunities," including the right to vote as outlined in the 26th Amendment.

5. Firearm Storage

SB53 mandates stricter firearm storage at home starting January 2026, requiring certified safety devices or approved safes. It removes exemptions for unsecured firearms, introduces escalating penalties, and funds a public education campaign on storage laws.

The California State Assembly passed SB53 on August 26, 2024 by a vote of 51 to 18. We have assigned pluses to the nays because the fundamental right of the American people to keep and bear arms is protected by the U.S. Constitution, particularly in the 2nd, 9th, and 10th Amendments, and should not be infringed. SB53 is a gross infringement on this right, as it imposes burdensome government mandates on how firearms must be stored in private homes, effectively limiting the ability of law-abiding citizens to access their firearms quickly for self-defense. Additionally, it removes reasonable exemptions and penalizes responsible gun owners with unnecessary regulations, further eroding individual freedoms under the guise of safety.

6. Gender-mutilation Care Licenses

AB2442 requires California medical licensing boards to expedite licensure for applicants intending to provide so-called gender-affirming healthcare or mental healthcare, similar to the existing process for abortion providers.

The California State Assembly passed AB2442 on May 13, 2024 by a vote of 62 to 10. We have assigned pluses to the nays because this bill accelerates the implementation of radical-leftist ideologies. By prioritizing the licensure of medical professionals to provide so-called "gender-affirming care," AB2442 furthers indoctrinating society to accept unscientific and immoral beliefs about gender. Scientifically and biblically, there are only two genders, and the idea that individuals can redefine their gender or pronouns undermines biological reality and moral principles. This bill exemplifies the Marxist and woke agenda to erode traditional values and impose harmful ideologies on society.