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This legislator voted constitutionally on **0%** of the votes shown below.

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

1. HB375 Racial Equity Consortium (Passed 40 to 0 on 6/7/2022). Establishes the Racial Equity Consortium for the purposes of studying and making recommendations to address the disparities and inequities faced by persons of color in Delaware. **Yes ✗**

2. HB430 Grow Your Own Educator Program (Passed 38 to 0 on 6/14/2022). Introduces the Grow Your Own Educator Program to enhance the hiring, retention, and diversity of educators in Delaware public schools. **Yes ✗**

3. HB198 Black History Education (Passed 33 to 7 on 4/29/2021). Mandates that every school district and charter school create and execute a program focused on Black History, which will be taught to students from kindergarten to 12th grade. **Yes ✗**

4. HB125 Ghost Guns (Passed 23 to 18 on 5/20/2021). Creates several offenses, including the possession of an unfinished firearm frame or receiver without a serial number, the production and possession of a concealed or undetectable firearm, the production and possession of an untraceable firearm, and the production or distribution of a firearm using a three-dimensional printer. **Yes ✗**

5. SB6 High-Capacity Magazine Ban (Passed 23 to 18 on 6/6/2022). Prohibits the production, vending, offering for sale, procurement, receipt, transfer, or ownership of a large-capacity magazine. **Yes ✗**

6. SB5 Automatic Voter Registration (Passed 40 to 1 on 5/18/2021). Establishes an automated voter registration system at the Delaware Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV). **Yes ✗**



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

Rep. Franklin Cooke **DE Scorecard 2021-2022**
Lifetime Score: 0% **2021-2022 Regular Session Score 0%**

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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. Racial Equity Consortium

HB375 establishes the Racial Equity Consortium for the purposes of studying and making recommendations to address the disparities and inequities faced by persons of color in Delaware.

The Delaware State House of Representatives passed HB375 on June 7, 2022 by a vote of 40 to 0. We have assigned the pluses to the nays because this is a gross waste of taxpayer dollars. This consortium's goal is to identify and remove systemic inequities that impact people of color, which is a liberal talking point that embraces Marxism and the woke culture.

2. Grow Your Own Educator Program

HB430 introduces the Grow Your Own Educator Program to enhance the hiring, retention, and diversity of educators in Delaware public schools. The Program has a grant process, led by the Department of Education and any Delaware school district or charter school is eligible to apply for the grant to create their customized program.

The Delaware State House of Representatives passed HB430 on June 14, 2022 by a vote of 38 to 0. We have assigned pluses to the nays because this program grows the size of government by creating a new program, subsidizing a profession by propping one field up over the rest. Like most government programs, when money is involved, stings are attached and this is a bad precedent to set.

3. Black History Education.

HB198 mandates that every school district and charter school create and execute a program focused on Black History, which will be taught to students from kindergarten to 12th grade. The Act specifically includes current events in the discourse on Black History, as well as utilizing practical tools and experiences.

The Delaware State House of Representatives passed HB198 on April 29, 2021 by a vote of 33 to 7. We have assigned pluses to the nays because our government is pushing schools to teach racism through equity and race-based curriculum, which is rooted in communism and is part of the Marxist agenda. The goal is to pit Americans of different races and religions against each other, a catalyst for more racism. Our education system is broken and corrupt - and all at the cost of the taxpayers' expense.

4. Ghost Guns

HB125 creates several offenses, including the possession of an unfinished firearm frame or receiver without a serial number, the production and possession of a concealed or undetectable firearm, the production and possession of an untraceable firearm, and the production or distribution of a firearm using a three-dimensional printer. This bill also criminalizes the possession of a firearm frame or receiver with a serial number that has been removed, obliterated, or altered.

The Delaware State House of Representatives passed HB125 on May 20, 2021 by a vote of 23 to 18. We have assigned pluses to the nays because it is none of the government's business what firearms you own and possess. The right of the American people to keep and bear arms is protected by the 2nd Amendment of the U.S. Constitution and should not be infringed.

5. High-Capacity Magazines

SB6 introduces a precise explanation for the term "large-capacity magazine" as an ammunition-feeding mechanism with the potential to hold more than 17 rounds of ammunition. Additionally, it forbids the production, vending, offering for sale, procurement, receipt, transfer, or ownership of a large-capacity magazine and violating this restriction is deemed a class E felony.

The Delaware State House of Representatives passed SB6 on June 16, 2022 by a vote of 23 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. The Constitution does not limit an individual's firearm capacity.

6. Automatic Voter Registration

SB5 establishes an automated voter registration system at the Delaware Division of Motor Vehicles (DMV) and confers upon the State Election Commissioner the power to execute automatic voter registration at other agencies within the state.

The Delaware State House of Representatives passed SB5 on May 18, 2021 by a vote of 40 to 1. We have assigned pluses to the nays because automatic voter registration could lead to the automatic registration of non-citizens or others who are not permitted to vote. This compromises election integrity, opening the door for voter manipulation.