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

★ Pro-liberty

X Anti-liberty

? Did not Vote

Vote

1. SB1 Sex Changes for Minors (Passed 26 to 6 on 2/13/2023). Yes Prohibits healthcare providers from performing certain medical_ procedures on minors or administering specific treatments if the purpose is to help the minor identify with or live as an identity that is claimed but inconsistent with the minor's biological or assigned sex at birth.



2. HB1479 Precious Metals (Passed 33 to 0 on Yes 3/13/2023). Allows the state treasurer to purchase and sell physical _ gold and precious metal.



3. SB638 Education Savings Accounts (Passed 27 to 5 on Yes 2/27/2023). Broadens the eligibility for education savings accounts \(^1 (ESAs) to include students who were not enrolled in a Tennessee public, school for the full year before receiving an ESA but were enrolled in and attended a Tennessee public school.



4. SB600 Abortion (Passed 27 to 6 on 3/13/2023). Prohibits local Yes governments from expending funds for the purposes of assisting a person in obtaining a criminal abortion.



5. SB269 Juneteenth (Passed 24 to 4 on 3/23/2023). Changes the Yes designation of June 19, known as "Juneteenth," from a day of special observance to a legal holiday.



6. SB1147 UN Agenda 2030 and Property Rights (Passed 25 to Yes 6 on 4/17/2023). Prohibits this state and its political subdivisions from _ adopting or implementing policy recommendations that deliberately or inadvertently infringe or restrict private property rights without due process.





TENNESSEE LEGISLATIVE

SCORECARD

BASED ON THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

Sen. John Stevens Lifetime Score: 75%

TN Scorecard 2023 2023-2024 Regular Session Score 67%

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

The following scorecard lists several key votes in the Tennessee Legislature in 2023 and ranks state representatives and senators based on their fidelity to (U.S.) constitutional and limited-government principles.



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Bill Descriptions for the Votes that Affect You

1. Sex Changes for Minors

SB1 prohibits healthcare providers from performing certain medical procedures on minors or administering specific treatments if the purpose is to help the minor identify with or live as an identity that is claimed but inconsistent with the minor's biological or assigned sex at birth.

The Tennessee State Senate passed SB1 on February 13, 2023 by a vote of 26 to 6. We have assigned pluses to the ayes because the Left has been promoting radical Marxist ideas like this for years. The indoctrination that leads people to believe that they can choose their pronouns and identify as a different gender is immoral. Scientifically and biblically, there are only two genders. Additionally, minors are not yet capable of giving informed consent and should not have the ability to choose a gender that contradicts their scientific classification, causing irreversible damage.

2. Precious Metals

HB1479 allows the state treasurer to purchase and sell physical gold and precious metal.

The Tennessee State Senate passed HB1479 on March 13, 2023 by a vote of 33 to 0. We have assigned pluses to the ayes because this bill is a necessary step toward restoring sound money and enforcing the U.S. Constitution's monetary provisions. According to Article 1, Section 10, of the Constitution, "No State shall...make any Thing but gold and silver Coin a Tender in Payment of Debts."

3. Education Savings Accounts

SB638 broadens the eligibility for education savings accounts (ESAs) to include students who were not enrolled in a Tennessee public school for the full year before receiving an ESA but were enrolled in and attended a Tennessee public school.

The Tennessee State Senate passed SB638 on February 27, 2023 by a vote of 27 to 5. We have assigned pluses to the nays because, while the idea of allowing money to any school of the students and parents choice may initially sound appealing, it raises concerns. This policy essentially directs government funds toward supporting private schools, inevitably attaching certain conditions and implications to this financial support. Private schools should not accept government money.

4. Abortion

SB600 prohibits local governments from expending funds for the purposes of assisting a person in obtaining a criminal abortion.

The Tennessee State Senate passed SB600 on March 13, 2023 by a vote of 27 to 6. We have assigned pluses to the ayes because states should continue to act to ban abortion and guarantee the right to life for all persons. The right to life is the most fundamental, God-given, and unalienable right asserted in the Declaration of Independence and protected by the 5th and 14th Amendments to the U.S. Constitution. Taxpayer dollars at any level of government should not be used to kill babies.

5. Juneteenth

SB269 changes the designation of June 19, known as "Juneteenth," from a day of special observance to a legal holiday.

The Wisconsin State Senate passed SB269 on March 23, 2023 by a vote of 24 to 4. We have assigned pluses to the nays because the United States observes 10 federal holidays, and the state of Tennessee already observes 11. Designating Juneteenth, which at the national level was voted as "National Independence Day" instead of July 4, falsely implies differing independence days based on race. This aligns with divisive strategies, akin to communist tactics of "dividing the people."

6. UN Agenda 2030 and Property Rights

SB1147 prohibits the state and its subdivisions from enacting policies that violate private property rights without due process, particularly those linked to "Agenda 21," the 2030 Agenda, U.N. net-zero emission goals by 2050, or any international law conflicting with the U.S. or state constitution.

The Tennessee State Senate passed SB1147 on April 17, 2023 by a vote of 25 to 6. We have assigned pluses to the ayes because eminent domain or other infringements on an individual's property violates the U.S. Constitution, specifically the Fifth and Fourteenth Amendments. The Fifth Amendment explicitly states, "nor shall private property be taken for public use, without just compensation." Furthermore, the Fourteenth Amendment declares, "nor shall any State deprive any person of life, liberty, or property, without due process of law."