

Legislature Scorecard 51st Legislature - 1st Regular Session 2013

Secular Coalition for Arizona PO Box 19258 Phoenix, AZ 85005 <u>www.secularAZ.org</u> 602-363-8018 SC Arizona lobbied against 10 bills in 2013; 5 of those went to a full floor vote. Each legislator's Secular Rating is based on the number of bills on which that legislator voted (NV and absences are excluded), divided by the number of votes made in line with Secular Coalition for Arizona's position. The 5 bills on which SC Arizona based the legislator's Secular Rating are as follows:

HB 2446 "Property tax; Religious Institution; Exemption"

This bill would have exempted churches from filing for recognition with the IRS and eliminated the requirement for these churches to present a letter of determination to the county assessor in order to qualify for a property tax exemption. Granting this kind of special tax privilege for religious groups is an example of establishing governmental systems of support for churches, and is an endorsement of religion over nonreligion—a breach of our Constitution's establishment clause.

HB 2617 "School tuition organizations; Preapproval; Entities"

This bill would have increased the categories of taxpayers who could divert money owed on their state tax bill into Student Tuition Organizations (STOs) many of which are explicitly religious. STOs shift revenues from secular public schools, which must accept students regardless of religious belief or nonbelief, into private religious schools that are exempt from many anti-discrimination laws (including laws related to religion and disability) and that can teach theology and creationism in lieu science, history, math and other critical subjects.

HB 2645 "Unemployment; Employment definition; Exception"

This bill excludes from the definition of "employment" individuals who work for religious organizations that provide any religious instruction; the bill specifies that such organizations are exempt from unemployment insurance requirements. This is an example of establishing governmental systems of support for religious groups, endorsing religion over nonreligion, and depriving workers at religious organizations of important employment protection.

SB 1178 "Exercise of religion; Definition"

This bill would have dramatically expanded the ability of individuals in our state to discriminate against people they do not agree with in the name of religious belief—resulting in increased vulnerability for nonbelievers, the LGBT community, and others on the target list of religionists. SB 1178 was one of the most dangerous bills introduced this session, and would have made it possible for anyone in our state to use religious exercise as an excuse to deny basic human liberties to vulnerable Arizonans.

SB 1363 "Empowerment scholarship accounts; Expansion; Funding"

This bill expands eligibility and funding for Arizona's empowerment scholarship account program; the program is essentially a system of vouchers that sends public funds directly to religious schools and homeschools. An earlier version of this bill is currently in court over the State Constitution's prohibition on sending public dollars to any religious institutions or being applied to any religious instruction.

Arizona House

Name	District	HB2446	HB2617	HB2645	SB1178	SB1363	Secular Rating
John Allen	15	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Lela Alston	24	TOS AEIZONA	Siccus Control TOL Aurosa	TOL AUZONA	TOL ALLONA		100%
Brenda Barton	6	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Sonny Borrelli	5	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	×	0%
Paul Boyer	20	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Kate Brophy McGee	28	×	×	×		🗶 (s)	20%
Chad Campbell	24	SECOND CONTROL TOS AREONS	Sicour Control Tox	NV		NV	100%
Mark A. Cardenas	19	SECONT CONTENN TOS AREONA	SICOLAT CONTINUE TOX AUDONA		Streutza Countrol rot Auzona	SIGNAT COMMON TOL AUZONA	100%
Heather Carter	15	×	×	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Doug Coleman	16	×	×	×	×	×	0%
Lupe Chavira Contreras	19		TOR ABIZONA				100%
Andrea Dalessandro	2	SECURA CONTROL TOS ARZONA	Sicour Control TOR AUENNA		Stensa Cournor rot Auzona		100%
Jeff Dial	18	×	×	×	×	×	0%
Juan Carlos Escamilla	4	TOS AEIZONA	SICOLAT CONTINUE TOX AUZONA	Storag Courtier rot Auzona	Stends Courtier rot Alizona	NV	100%
Karen Fann	1	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Eddie Farnsworth	12	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	×	0%
Thomas Forese	17	×	🗶 (s)	×	NV	×	0%

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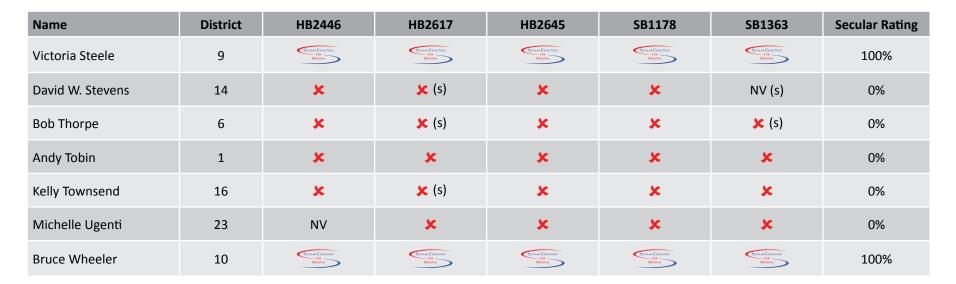
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Rosanna Gabaldón	2			тод Анговы			100%
Ruben Gallego	27		Siccus Control TOR AUENNA	Siccas Control TOL AUENN	Sicrus Commos for Auzons		100%
Sally Ann Gonzales	3	SECOLAN CONTINN FOR ARTONA	Sicolar Collines	Siccus Courney rox Augons	NV	NV	100%
Doris Goodale	5	×	×	×	×	×	0%
David M. Gowan Sr.	14	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	×	0%
Rick Gray	21	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Albert Hale	7		TOR ABJORN			NV	100%
Lydia Hernández	29		Sicous Cournes ros Augons	Sicolar Cournes rox Augoss	Sicular Cournes Tox August	Sicular Continon TOR Autors	100%
John Kavanagh	23	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Adam Kwasman	11	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Jonathan Larkin	30	SECONT CONTROL FOR ARIZONA	IOU AUZONA	NICULE CONTION TOJ AUZONA	NICULAR COMPTION 101 AUZONA		100%
Debbie Lesko	21	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
David Livingston	22	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	×	0%
Phil Lovas	22	×	×	×	×	×	0%
Stefanie Mach	10	SECONT CONTINUE FOR ARIZONA	NICULAR COMPTION TON ARIZONA	NICULAR COMMON TOX AUZONA	NICULAR COMMON 101 August		100%
Debbie McCune Davis	30		Sicous Courney rea	Siccus Courney rox Aurons	Sicelas Courney Fox Auzons	Sicelian Coalmon rox Autorix	100%
Juan Mendez	26	SECURA COMPTON FOR ARIZONA	SICULAR COMPTION TOR ANJOINA	STOLING COMPTION TOX AUZONN	Sicular Contrion for Automs		100%
Javan "J.D." Mesnard	17	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%

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Eric Meyer	28			STORUAR COMMON FOR AUZONA		STOTILAR COARTION FOR AUZONA	100%
Catherine H. Miranda	27				Sicular Common Auzona		100%
Darin Mitchell	13	×	🗶 (s)	×	NV	×	0%
Steve Montenegro	13	×	🗶 (s)	🗶 (s)	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Justin Olson	25	x (s)	🗶 (s)	×	×	×	0%
Ethan Orr	9	×	🗶 (s)	×		×	20%
Lisa Otondo	4	SECONT CONTENT	SICOLAT CONTINUE TOX AUZONA		Sicolas Commos Toti Auzona	SICULA COMMON TOL ALZONA	100%
Jamescita Peshlakai	7			Steura Courton rot Arcons	NV		100%
Warren Petersen	12	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	NV	0%
Justin Pierce	25	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Frank Pratt	8	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	×	0%
Martín J. Quezada	29	SKULAR CONTON TOS AEZONA			Sicular Common OU Auzons		100%
Bob Robson	18	×	×	×	×	×	0%
Mario Saldate IV	3				Succase Common For Auzons		100%
Carl Seel	20	×	x (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Andrew Sherwood	26					NV	100%
T.J. Shope	8	×	×	×	×	×	0%
Steve Smith	11	×	NV (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%

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Ed Ableser	26					STICILIAE COMITION IOR ARIZONA	100%
Nancy Barto	15	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Andy Biggs	12	×	×	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
David Bradley	10	IOU ARZONA	IOU ARZONA	STCHAR COMMON FOR ASZONA		NICELAN CONTINUE 108 ARZONA	100%
Judy Burges	22	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Olivia Cajero Bedford	3		Sicras Cournes tot Auzosa	TOS. AZZONA	TOR ALIZONA	SICULAR COMPON 108 ARDONK	100%
Rich Crandall	16	NV	×	NV	NV	SICULAR CONTINUES FOR ADDITION	50%
Chester Crandell	6	×	×	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Adam Driggs	28	×	×	×	×	×	0%
Steve Farley	9	ION AUZONA	NICULAR COMMENT			SUCHAR CONTRON FOR ABETORS	100%
Steve Gallardo	29	STOULAR CONTITION TOX AUZIONS	STERIOR CONTROL TOL AUZONS	бленыя Сомятом год Андова	STUDIAS COMPTON POR AUGON	STEELAS COMITION TOR ALIZONA	100%
Gail Griffin	14	×	×	×	×	×	0%
Katie Hobbs	24	STOLIAR CONTINON TOX AUZONA	NV	Siculas Courtion FOR Automa	Siculas Cournos FOR Autous	SICOLAS COMUNION TOR AUZIONA	100%
Jack Jackson Jr.	7	NV	STEUDA CONTION TOX AUZONS	NV	NV	STEELIAR CONTITION FOR ALIZONA	100%
Leah Landrum Taylor	27	SICCUSR CONTION TOR AUZONA	SICULAR CONTINUE TOR AUZIONS	Steuros Courties 100 Autono	SIGULAR COMPTON 100 Augous	STELLAR CONTINUE TOR AUZZONA	100%
Linda Lopez	2	STOCULAT CONTINON TOX AUTONS	Sicellar Courney Tox Autons	STOLLAS COMPTON TOX ALIZONA	STOULAL CONTROL TOX AUXONA	SICOLAR COMMINION TOR Alazonia	100%

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John McComish	18	×	×	×	×	×	0%
Barbara McGuire	8	×	NV (s)			×	50%
Al Melvin	11	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Robert Meza	30	SUCCEAN CONTRON FOR AMERICAN	SICOLAN CONTINON TON ANITONA	SICOLAS COLITION FOR AUTONS	Sicular Courties Fou Automa		100%
Rick Murphy	21	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	NV (s)	0%
Lynne Pancrazi	4	SIGURAT CONTROL FOR ALEXING	SICCAR CONTINUE TOR ARIZONA	SICOLAT CONTINUE TOR AUZONA		Sicular Courners FOL Alizons	100%
Steve Pierce	1	×	×	×	×	×	0%
Michele Reagan	23	×	×	×	×	×	0%
Don Shooter	13	×	×	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Anna Tovar	19	SECURA CONTROL	NV	ION ARIZONA	STCOME CONTINUE TOM ARZONA		100%
Kelli Ward	5	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%
Bob Worsley	25	×	×	×	×	×	0%
Steve Yarbrough	17	×	×	×	🗶 (s)	🗶 (s)	0%
Kimberly Yee	20	×	🗶 (s)	×	×	🗶 (s)	0%

H = State House of Representatives; S = State Senate

Solution (s) = Bill sponsor.

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