

# FREEDOM PRINCIPLE

2023



## LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD

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Dear Members, Supporters, Grassroots Organizers, and Citizens:

The Freedom Principle MO is announcing the release of its 2023 Legislative Scorecard. The scorecard serves as a report card for the legislator's actions on Freedom Principle MO member-approved legislative priorities and the Missouri Republican Platform.

The purpose of this scorecard is to bring greater transparency and citizen engagement into the legislative process. The Freedom Principle MO is a statewide organization, and our legislative priorities are voted on and approved by our members. The votes on the following bills closely reflect the intent of our legislative priorities and the Missouri Republican Platform.

The Freedom Principle MO was very active in the 2023 legislative session. The Freedom Principle MO activities included:

- Monitored more than 265 bills, 110 bills in the Senate and 155 bills in the House of Representatives
- Conducted monthly legislative days in Jefferson City
- Testified on more than 50 bills
- Issued more than 30 Legislative Action Alerts
- Held weekly legislative update calls for members

We appreciate the support of all the legislators who voted for our legislative priorities. It is important to note that while some legislators may have not voted with the Freedom Principle MO on some of the bills, it does not reflect they are against our priorities but may have voted against or for a specific bill because of other reasons.

## **Using the Scorecard**

The scores for each legislator were determined by a point system. This point system reflects a weighted system for the types of bills and the number of bills scored. Higher points were given for the "Truly Agreed to and Passed" (TAP) non-Appropriations bills, and "Perfectured" bills. Votes on the budget were given a lesser score because the legislators are required by the Constitution to vote on the budget and therefore cannot prevent them from coming up for a final vote. For votes against our position, we subtracted one point, and for absences, we awarded one point to legislators.

The Freedom Principle MO encourages voters to use this as a guide and engage their legislators to get connected and involved in the legislative process.

Please visit our website at <https://www.freedomprinciplemo.org/legislative-advocacy-center> for the entire list of our 2023 Legislative Priorities. If you would like to become a voting member of the Freedom Principle MO, please join our organization by visiting our website at <https://www.freedomprinciplemo.org/become-a-member>.

Sincerely,

**Byron Keelin**  
*President,*  
*Freedom Principle MO*

## MISSOURI STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Representative	District	Percentage Score	Overall Grade
Davis	56	94%	A
Houx	54	92%	A
Francis	145	90%	A
Sparks	110	90%	A
Lovasco	64	89%	B
Lonsdale	38	89%	B
McMullen	20	88%	B
Schwadron	105	88%	B
Griffith	60	87%	B
Knight	142	87%	B
McGill	118	87%	B
Ploecher	89	87%	B
Allen	17	86%	B
Black	129	86%	B
Christ	96	86%	B
Dinkins	144	86%	B
Gregory	51	86%	B
Haden	43	86%	B
Hinman	103	86%	B
Lewis	6	86%	B
Owen	131	86%	B
Perkins	40	86%	B
Pouche	13	86%	B
Riggs	5	86%	B
Riley	134	86%	B
Schulte	49	86%	B
Sharpe	4	86%	B
Sheilds	11	86%	B
Smith	155	86%	B
Stinnett	133	86%	B
Taylor	48	86%	B
Wilson	106	86%	B
O'Donnell	95	86%	B
Hardwick	121	84%	B
Mayhew	124	82%	B
Reuter	112	82%	B
Seitz	156	82%	B
Amato	113	81%	B
Kalberloh	126	81%	B
Kelly	141	81%	B
Roberts	161	81%	B
Thompson	53	81%	B
Veit	59	81%	B

Representative	District	Percentage Score	Overall Grade
Waller	114	81%	B
Deaton	159	81%	B
Boyd	2	80%	B
Brown	16	80%	B
Brown	149	80%	B
Copeland	120	80%	B
Diehl	125	80%	B
Gallick	62	80%	B
Haley	58	80%	B
McGaugh	7	80%	B
Reedy	57	80%	B
Sassmann	61	80%	B
Voss	147	80%	B
Matthiesen	107	80%	B
Buchheit-Courtway	115	79%	C
Hovis	146	79%	C
Schnelting	69	79%	C
Casteel	97	79%	C
Baker	160	78%	C
Billington	152	78%	C
Colmean	32	78%	C
Hausman	65	78%	C
Henderson	117	78%	C
Hicks	108	78%	C
Hudson	138	78%	C
Hurlbert	8	78%	C
Oehlerking	100	78%	C
Patterson	30	78%	C
Richey	39	78%	C
Thomas	123	78%	C
Titus	139	78%	C
Toalson Reisch	44	78%	C
West	102	78%	C
Falkner	10	77%	C
Evans	154	76%	C
Murphy	94	76%	C
Parker	150	75%	C
Byrnes	63	75%	C
Stacy	31	75%	C
Burger	148	74%	C
Farnan	1	74%	C
Vanschoiack	9	74%	C
Cupps	158	74%	C

## MISSOURI STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES (CONTINUED)

Representative	District	Percentage Score	Overall Grade
Gragg	140	74%	C
Haffner	55	74%	C
Justus	41	74%	C
Keathley	101	74%	C
Chappell	137	73%	C
Bromley	162	73%	C
Jones	88	73%	C
Peters	122	73%	C
Myers	42	72%	C
Banderman	119	72%	C
Cook	143	72%	C
Kelley	127	72%	C
Christofanelli	104	72%	C

Representative	District	Percentage Score	Overall Grade
Stephens	128	71%	C
Davidson	130	71%	C
Pollitt	52	69%	D
Busick	3	69%	D
Bonacker	111	68%	D
Boggs	157	67%	D
Atchison	153	66%	D
Smith	163	66%	D
Morse	151	64%	D
Wright	116	64%	D
Marquart	109	64%	D
Sander	33	43%	F

## MISSOURI STATE SENATE

Senator	District	Percentage Score	Overall Grade
Schroer	2	97%	A
Eigel	23	95%	A
Hoskins	21	94%	A
Carter	32	88%	B
Brattin	31	86%	B
Coleman	22	86%	B
Brown	26	81%	B
Black	12	77%	C
Eslinger	33	77%	C
Thompson-Rehder	27	77%	C
Koenig	15	75%	C
Bean	25	69%	D

Senator	District	Percentage Score	Overall Grade
Crawford	28	69%	D
Fitzwater	10	69%	D
Gannon	3	69%	D
Luetkemeyer	34	69%	D
O'Laughlin	18	69%	D
Rowden	19	69%	D
Trent	20	66%	D
Cierpiot	8	62%	D
Moon	29	INC	INC
Brown	16	61%	D
Hough	30	61%	D
Bernskoetter	6	53%	F

\* Editor's Note: Senator Mike Moon's score was graded as incomplete due to excused absences for a family emergency. The Freedom Principle MO knows Senator Mike Moon is a staunch defender of the Republican Platform and the U.S. and Missouri Constitution.

## POSITION STATEMENTS ON BILLS

**HB 2, HB 4, HB 5, HB 6, HB 7, HB 8,  
HB 9, HB 10, HB 11, and HB 12**

### **X OPPOSED**

- Missouri Budget – Department of Elementary and Secondary Education
- Missouri Budget – Department of Revenue and Department of Transportation
- Missouri Budget – Office of Administration
- Missouri Budget - Departments of Agriculture, Natural Resources, and Conservation
- Missouri Budget – Departments of Economic Development, Commerce and Insurance, and Labor and Industrial Relations
- Missouri Budget - Departments of Public Safety, and National Guard
- Missouri Budget – Department of Corrections
- Missouri Budget – Department of Mental Health, Health, and Senior Services
- Missouri Budget – Department of Social Services
- Missouri Budget – Executive Branch

#### **Republican Party Platform:**

- The Missouri Republican Party Platform states on Freedom, “Missouri families can be trusted to know how to spend their money more wisely than government.”

The Freedom Principle MO is opposed to all the department appropriations bills due to the continued out-of-control government spending. The \$50 billion budget is a \$4.2 billion increase from FY 2022 and represents the largest budget in Missouri’s history.

This lack of fiscal discipline demonstrates an unwillingness to reign over government spending, ignoring the platform and creating greater dependency on government instead of individual freedom.

The Freedom Principle MO is also opposed to these budget appropriations bills because Big Government Republicans in the Senate restored DIE funding in the state budget. Many of these types of programs result from direct funding from the federal government and thus require Missouri to promote these divisive programs.

\* Scored House and Senate Vote

**SB 189**

### **✓ SUPPORTED**

Bill Summary: Under current law, law enforcement officers and public safety employees of St. Louis City hired after August

31, 2023, will be subject to a residency requirement. This act repeals those provisions.

#### **Republican Party Platform Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice:**

- Missouri Republican Party supports the men and women who serve in law enforcement
- Strict enforcement and prosecution of laws on illegal drugs

The Freedom Principle MO supported this bill mainly because of the provision removing the residency requirements for the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department and St. Louis City employees. Additionally, SB 189 addresses the growing Fentanyl crisis by creating a Class C felony for any person who delivers a controlled substance causing serious physical injury and a Class A felony for any person who delivers a controlled substance causing death.

\* Scored House and Senate Vote

**HB 702**

### **✓ SUPPORTED**

Bill Summary: On August 28, 2023, the Board shall assume control of the municipal police department of St. Louis and, no later than September 28, 2023, the Governor must appoint four commissioners to the Board who shall serve together with the mayor. The municipal police department will transfer title and ownership of all indebtedness and assets and accept liability as successor-in-interest for contractual obligations of the police department.

#### **Republican Party Platform: Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice**

- Supporting the men and women who serve in law enforcement

The Freedom Principle MO supported this bill because it would have returned control of the St. Louis Metropolitan Police Department to the State Board of Police Commissioners and would have required a minimum level of police officers at 1,313.

\* Scored House Vote

**SB 398**

### **✓ SUPPORTED**

Bill Summary: This act provides that following the development of the Department of Revenue’s modernized system for vehicle titling and registration, driver licensing, and liens, licensed motor vehicle dealers shall collect and remit to the Department the sales tax due on all motor vehicles the dealer sells.

## POSITION STATEMENTS ON BILLS

### Republican Party Platform: Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice

- Protection of individual liberties guaranteed under the U.S. Constitution and the Missouri Constitution

The Freedom Principle MO supported this bill because it requires all new and used car dealers to collect sales taxes from car sales and automatically remit these taxes to the Department of Revenue. This provision will help eliminate motorists from driving with expired temporary plates.

\* Scored House and Senate Vote

### HB 301

#### ✓ SUPPORTED

Bill Summary: This bill allowed the Governor to appoint a special prosecutor for a period of up to five years if the rate of homicides in any circuit or prosecuting attorney's jurisdiction exceeds 35 cases per every 100,000 people and, after a review of certain crime statistics, the Governor determines there is a threat to public safety and health. The special prosecutor will have exclusive jurisdiction to initiate and prosecute certain offenses as specified in the bill. Funds for the special prosecutor will be provided by the state from the General Revenue Fund. The special prosecutor will have a budget and be authorized to hire up to 15 assistant special prosecuting attorneys and up to 15 staff members.

### Republican Party Platform Law Enforcement and the Administration of Justice:

- Protection of individual liberties guaranteed under the U.S. Constitution and the Missouri Constitution
- Appointment of federal and state judges who believe in the rule of law, uphold the Constitution, and understand the role of a judge is to interpret our laws, not make them.

The Freedom Principle MO understands the platform refers to the appointment of federal and state judges, but we also believe this should pertain to the election of Soros-funded Prosecuting Attorneys. For more than seven years, St. Louis City Circuit Attorney Kim Gardner proved to be too incompetent and corrupt to carry out the duties of the Circuit Attorney.

HB 301 would have allowed the Governor to appoint a special prosecutor's office to prosecute felony crimes if the rate of homicide in any prosecuting attorney's jurisdiction exceeds 35 cases per every 100,000 people and, after a review of certain crime statistics, the Governor determines there is a threat to public safety and health.

\* Scored House Vote

### SB 190

#### ✓ SUPPORTED

Bill Summary: This act authorizes a county to grant a property tax credit to eligible taxpayers residing in such county, provided such county has adopted an ordinance authorizing such credit, or a petition in support of such credit is delivered to the governing body of the county and is subsequently submitted to and approved by the voters, as described in the act. Current law allows taxpayers with certain filing status and adjusted gross income below certain thresholds to deduct 100% of certain retirement and Social Security benefits from the taxpayer's Missouri adjusted gross income, with a reduced deduction as the taxpayer's adjusted gross income increases. For all tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2024, this act allows the maximum deduction to all taxpayers regardless of filing status or adjusted gross income.

### Republican Party Platform Job Creation:

- Reducing the overall combined tax burden

The Freedom Principle MO supported this bill because it will provide a property tax credit for seniors and eliminates state income taxes on social security benefits.

\* Scored House and Senate Vote

### SB 100

#### ✓ SUPPORTED

Bill Summary: The act declares that the state of Missouri shall accept gold and silver as legal tender, at spot price plus market premium, for payment of any debt, tax, fee, or obligation owed. Costs incurred in the course of verification of the weight and purity of any gold or silver during any such transaction shall be borne by the receiving entity. No person or entity shall be required to use gold or silver issued by the federal government in the payment of any debt. Nothing in this act shall prohibit the use of federal reserve notes in the payment of any debt. The act also prohibits the state of Missouri from requiring payment in the form of any digital currency, as defined in the act.

### Republican Party Platform:

- Performance of government functions at the level of government closest to the people who can most efficiently perform the task

The Freedom Principle MO supported this bill because it gives Missouri citizens the ability to conduct transactions using gold and silver as legal tender. Additionally, SB 100 would have prohibited Missouri from requiring payment in the form of any digital currency.

\* Scored Senate Vote

## POSITION STATEMENTS ON BILLS

### HB 268

#### ✓ SUPPORT

Bill Summary: This bill establishes the “Regulatory Sandbox Act”, which creates the “Regulatory Relief Office” within the Department of Economic Development. The Regulatory Relief Office shall administer the provisions of the bill with the purpose of identifying state laws or regulations that could potentially be waived or suspended for participating businesses during a 24-month period in which the participating business demonstrates an innovative product offering to consumers.

#### **Republican Party Platform Job Creation:**

- Reducing government regulations and restrictions that prevent the creation of jobs and the growth of Missouri businesses
- Opening new markets for Missouri products
- Revitalizing Missouri’s urban communities through policies that encourage the creation of jobs and economic opportunities in those areas

The Freedom Principle MO supported this bill because it would have identified state laws or regulations that could potentially be waived or suspended for participating businesses during a 24-month period in which the participating business demonstrate an innovative product offering to consumers.

\* Scored House Vote

### HB 903

#### ✓ SUPPORT

Bill Summary: Currently, foreign ownership of agricultural land in the state of Missouri may not exceed 1% of the total agricultural land in the state. This bill reduced the percentage to 0.5% and required any sale or transfer of such land by an alien or foreign business to be reported, as defined in the bill, to the Attorney General and Secretary of State 30 days prior to when the sale or transfer is finalized.

#### **Republican Party Platform Property Rights and Agriculture:**

- Policies and programs enhancing agriculture production
- A long-term agricultural policy enhancing Missouri family farms and their ability to compete

The Freedom Principle MO supports preventing any foreign ownership of Missouri farmland. HB 903 would have reduced the percentage of farmland owned by foreign entities from 1% to less than 0.5%.

(Note: Conference Committee Bill would have reduced the percentage to Zero but Conference Committee bill was not voted on by either Chambers.)

\* Scored House and Senate

### HJR 33/45

#### ✓ SUPPORT

Bill Summary: Upon voter approval, beginning January 1, 2025, this proposed Constitutional amendment provides that for all residential real property, the true value of such property will be deemed to be the same value determined at the most recent previous assessment of the property, or if the property has been sold since its most recent assessment, the true value of such property will be deemed to be the total fair market value of the compensation received by the seller for the sale of such property. A new assessment or reassessment of residential real property, the assessed valuation of such property may be increased from the assessed valuation of such property determined at its most recent previous assessment but only to the extent that such an increase: (1) Incorporates the change in the Consumer Price Index since the most recent previous assessment or up to a 2% annual increase in the assessed valuation of the property, whichever is less; or (2) Reflects the value added to the property as a result of new construction or improvements made to the property.

#### **Republican Party Platform Preamble:**

- We believe that the strength of America is in the hearts and homes of its citizens
- We believe in the right of Missourians to be secure in their persons, their homes, and their communities

The Freedom Principle MO supported HJR 33/45 because it would have helped protect senior citizens remain in their homes by freezing their assessments and would have capped non-senior citizens’ assessments at 2%.

\* Scored House Vote

### SB 4

#### ✗ OPPOSE

Bill Summary: This act creates the “Parents’ Bill of Rights Act of 2023”, which shall be construed to empower parents to enforce rights, as delineated in the act, to access records maintained by schools in which their children are enrolled in a timely manner or as specified in the act.

No school shall collect any biometric data of a minor child without obtaining parental consent, except for biometric data necessary to create and issue appropriate school identification cards. A school that collects such data shall ensure that all copies of such data are destroyed within one year of a student’s withdrawal of participation in all school activities.

Finally, each school shall notify parents of certain safety incidents and criminal charges filed against teachers, employees, and any guests or visitors to a school, as outlined in the act.

## POSITION STATEMENTS ON BILLS

### Republican Party Platform Educating Our Children:

- The fundamental right of parents to raise their children according to the conviction of their family and faith, to be the primary authority to determine and direct the nurturing, health care, education, guidance, discipline, and moral upbringing of their children to faith-based schools free of burdensome government regulations
- Encouraging parents to have an active and important role in their children's education
- Policies that stress the importance of parents in the education system and allow and encourage parents to play an active role in their local education system
- The right of parental refusal to student data collection, and full disclosure to parents about the collection, storage, and use of their children's data for those parents who permit it
- Fully informing parents before giving consent for the collection of student data and the offering of treatment for students regarding their health and other needs
- The purpose of schools is to educate and not socially engineer our students. Parents should be able to opt out their children on social engineering rather than education

The Freedom Principle MO supports establishing a Parents' Bill of Rights, but SB 4 was a weak bill as perfected by the Senate, and it only became worse after the House of Representatives removed the transparency portal portion of the bill. The bill also protected the education establishment by doing the following:

- Requires school districts to choose an "approved" curriculum
- Removing the creation of a transparency portal
- Restricting access to copyrighted material from parents
- Expanded DESE's authority
- While the bill prohibited the collection of biometric data of children without parental consent, the bill had a backdoor option by allowing the school to collect biometric data for issuing student ID cards.
- Instead of banning all types of race-based and critical race theory curricula from being taught in schools, it made it voluntary
- While this bill promoted teaching patriotic and civics education in schools, it still allowed publications like "The 1619 Project" and other so-called racist publications to be used as a credible resource

\* Scored Senate Vote

### HB 253

#### ✓ SUPPORT

Bill Summary: This bill establishes transfer procedures to nonresident districts for students in public schools.

### Republican Party Platform Educating Our Children:

- The fundamental right of parents to raise their children according to the conviction of their family and faith, to

be the primary authority to determine and direct the nurturing, health care, education, guidance, discipline, and moral upbringing of their children to faith-based schools free of burdensome government regulations

- Quick action to address the urban education crisis that has already undermined the progress of generations of young people

#### Resolution 2:

- The Missouri Republican Party supports the God-given right for parents to choose how to educate their children, whether home education, private, charter, or public.

The Freedom Principle MO supported this bill, but only because it would have voluntarily given children in inner-city schools an opportunity to attend another public school of their choice. This would have given these children an opportunity to break the cycle of poverty.

\* Scored House Vote

### House Amendment 11 – HB 2/

### House Amendment 3 – HB 4/

### Senate HB 2 Anti-DEIB Amendment

#### ✓ SUPPORT

Bill Summary: "Section 2.520. To the Department of Elementary and Secondary Education and or Department of Transportation In reference to all sections in Part 1 of this act: No funds shall be expended for staffing, vendors, consultants, or programs associated with "Diversity, Equity, Inclusion," or "Diversity, Inclusion, Belonging," or any other initiative which similarly promotes: 1) the preferential treatment of any individual or group of individuals based upon race, color, religion, sex, gender, sexuality, ethnicity, national origin, or ancestry; 2) the concept that disparities are necessarily tied to oppression; 3) collective guilt ideologies; 4) intersectional or divisive identity activism; or, 5) the limiting of freedom of conscience, thought, or speech. This does not prohibit the department from following federal and state employment and anti-discrimination laws."

### Republican Party Platform :

- We believe all people are endowed by our Creator with certain inalienable rights, including life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. It is our fundamental belief that our morals, our values, and our culture are derived from Almighty God.

The Freedom Principle MO supports all amendments to remove taxpayers' dollars from funding racist, sexist, and divisive program.

\* Scored House Vote



## POSITION STATEMENTS ON BILLS

### HJR 66

#### ✓ SUPPORT

Bill Summary: Upon voter approval, this Constitutional amendment specifies that only citizens of the United States are considered legal voters, that all elections shall be by paper ballot or any mechanical method prescribed by law, and that voters are entitled to only one vote for each office or issue on a ballot, and that the candidate receiving the greatest number of votes in a primary election shall be the only candidate for that party in the following general election.

#### Republican Party Platform Protecting the Integrity of Our Elections:

- Efforts to ensure fair and honest elections, making sure all legally cast votes are not diluted but are counted so that all participants safeguard the integrity of the election
- Paper ballots to prevent voter fraud

The Freedom Principle MO supported HJR 66 because it would have eliminated rank choice and approval voting and protected the one-person-one-vote method. Additionally, it would have required only U.S. citizens can vote in Missouri elections, and it would have required paper ballots.

\* Scored House Vote

### HJR 43

#### ✗ OPPOSE

Bill Summary: This bill requires the Secretary of State to provide voters in each Congressional district with a period in which to review and comment upon all initiative petitions proposing amendments to the Constitution. Currently, any Constitutional measure referred to the people, by initiative petition or by the General Assembly, must receive approval from a simple majority of the votes cast thereon in order to pass. Upon voter approval, this resolution would require any such measure to receive approval from 57% of the voters in order to pass.

#### Republican Party Platform Protecting the Integrity of Our Elections:

- The use of fair and non-biased ballot language for petition-driven initiatives
- Reforms to the initiative petition process including reducing out-of-state influence for this process and requiring more than a simple majority vote to change the Constitution
- The right of the State Legislature to alter and revise, with respect to the intention of the voters, legislation passed through the ballot proposition to protect Missourians from misleading campaigns

The Freedom Principle MO opposed HJR 43 because it disregarded all three of these key platform principles. HJR 43 allowed the following:

- Establishing two separate processes for getting a ballot initiative on the ballot
- Establishing two approval processes for Constitutional Amendments and Statute changes causing ballot confusion
- Allowing dark-money groups to focus their efforts on progressive key population areas and ignore rural voters
- Prohibiting the State Legislature from changing any statute approved by the petition process for three years and would have required a 57% vote by both legislative bodies to approve Constitutional amendments through the legislative process

\* Scored House Vote

### SB 39

#### ✓ SUPPORT

This act prohibits a private school, public school district, public charter school, or public or private institution of postsecondary education from allowing any student to compete in an athletic competition that is designated for the biological sex opposite to the student's biological sex as stated on the student's official birth certificate or other government records as described in the act. The act delineates what constitutes an acceptable official birth certificate. A private school, public school district, public charter school, or public or private institution of postsecondary education may allow a female student to compete in an athletic competition designated for male students if no corresponding competition for female students is offered or available. Any private school, public school district, public charter school, or public or private institution of postsecondary education that violates this act shall not receive any state aid or other revenues from the state. The parent or guardian of any student, or any student who is over eighteen years old, who is deprived of an athletic opportunity as a result of a violation of the act shall have a cause of action for injunctive or other equitable relief as described in the act.

#### Republican Party Platform Educating Our Children:

- The authority of parents as the primary educators of their children in all matters, including morality, sexual orientation, sexuality and sexual health, and responsibility
- Protecting students' and professors' Constitutional rights at our state universities, including freedom of speech, campus carry, and balancing Title IX regulations with the people's legal rights

## POSITION STATEMENTS ON BILLS

The Freedom Principle MO supports SB 39 because it protects provisions in Title IX by prohibiting any student to compete in an athletic competition that is designated for the biological sex opposite to the student's biological sex as stated on the student's official birth certificate or other government record.

\* Scored House and Senate Vote

### SB 49

#### ✓ SUPPORT

This act establishes the "Missouri Save Adolescents from Experimentation (SAFE) Act". Under this act, no health care provider shall perform gender transition surgeries on any minor. Until August 28, 2027, no health care provider shall prescribe or administer cross-sex hormones or puberty-blocking drugs to a minor for a gender transition, unless such minor was receiving such treatment prior to August 28, 2023. A violation of these provisions shall be considered unprofessional conduct and shall result in the revocation of the health care provider's professional license. Additionally, the prescription or administration of cross-sex hormones or puberty-blocking drugs to a minor for a gender transition shall be grounds for a cause of action against the health care provider, as described in the act.

#### **Republican Party Platform Educating Our Children and Law and the Administration of Justice:**

- The authority of parents as the primary educators of their children in all matters, including morality, sexual orientation, sexuality and sexual health, and responsibility
- Expansion of state laws protecting our children against sexual predators

The Freedom Principle MO supports SB 49 creating the Missouri Save Adolescents from Experimentation (SAFE) Act. We believe allowing the performance of gender transition surgeries on children or allowing any minor to receive any type of puberty blockers is barbaric and it must be banned.

\* Scored House and Senate Vote

### Reinstatement of HB Anti-DEIB Amendment

#### ✓ SUPPORT

Support House Bill Amendment to remove DEI funding from state budgets

This amendment would have reinstated the provision stating "No funds shall be expended for staffing, vendors, consultants, or programs associate with "Diversity, Equity, Inclusion," or "Diversity, Inclusion, Belonging."

\* Scored Senate Vote

*The Freedom Principle MO is a pro-America First, pro-Missouri First, and pro-Constitution membership-based organization advocating for Constitutionally sound solutions to Missouri's biggest challenges.*

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