

2018 Legislator Report Card

El Paso County Delegation

HOW DID YOUR STATE REPRESENTATIVES VOTE ON BILLS THAT IMPACT EQUALITY, DIVERSITY, AND SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE?

CITIZENS PROJECT MONITORS AND TAKES POSITIONS ON LEGISLATION that impacts equality, diversity, and separation of church and state. In 2018 Citizens Project took positions on 11 bills.

THIS REPORT CARD identifies how each state legislator from El Paso County voted on those bills. Each bill includes a brief nonpartisan description of the bill, Citizens Project's position, the outcome of the legislation, bill sponsors, and which El Paso County officials voted with and against Citizens Project. In some cases, legislators did not have the opportunity to vote on a bill because it lost in committee or the other chamber and did not make it to a full vote.

MAKE YOUR VOICE HEARD and let our representatives know how you feel about their votes. Call them to thank them for supporting equality, diversity, and separation of church and state. If a vote does not align with your value system, let them know that as well.

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Citizens Project is a fearless, bold advocate and engaging voice that empowers and challenges the Pikes Peak region to embrace equality, diversity, and separation of church and state.

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EQUALITY

HOUSE BILL 18-1256

SUNSET CONTINUE CIVIL RIGHTS DIVISION AND COMMISSION

Continues the Colorado civil rights division and commission, the state entities charged with enforcing state civil rights laws.

SPONSORS: Rep. C. Duran, Rep. L. Herod, Sen. B. Gardner (El Paso County)

OUTCOME: Signed into law

EL PASO COUNTY DELEGATION VOTES:

With Citizens Project- Carver, Exum, Grantham, Landgraf, Lee, Merrifield

Against Citizens Project- Gardner, Hill, Lambert, Liston, Lundeen, Sandridge, Williams



HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION 18-1002

REPEAL EXCEPTION TO CONSTITUTIONAL BAN ON SLAVERY

Submits a constitutional amendment to the voters that would prohibit slavery and involuntary servitude in all circumstances.

SPONSORS: Rep. J. Melton, Rep. J. Salazar, Sen. L. Crowder, Sen. A. Williams

OUTCOME: Referred to November 2018 ballot

EL PASO COUNTY DELEGATION VOTES:

With Citizens Project- Carver, Exum, Gardner, Grantham, Hill, Lambert,

Landgraf, Lee, Liston, Lundeen, Merrifield, Sandridge, Williams

Against Citizens Project- None



SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE

HOUSE BILL 18-1206

LIVE AND LET LIVE ACT

Prohibits the state government from taking any discriminatory action against a person or religious organization that, among other things, refuses to provide services to anyone because of a sincerely-held religious objection to same sex marriage or transgender identity.

SPONSORS: Rep. S. Humphrey, Sen. K. Lundberg

OUTCOME: Lost in House Judiciary Committee

EL PASO COUNTY DELEGATION VOTES:

With Citizens Project- Lee

Against Citizens Project- Lundeen, Sandridge



SENATE BILL 18-241

COLORADO CHILDREN FIRST ACT

Prohibits the state government from taking action against a foster care or adoptive parent or agency who declines services or makes educational or medical decisions for foster or adoptive children based upon sincerely held religious beliefs or moral convictions.

SPONSORS: Sen. K. Lundberg, Rep. S. Humphrey

OUTCOME: Lost on Senate Floor

EL PASO COUNTY DELEGATION VOTES:

With Citizens Project- Merrifield

Against Citizens Project- Gardner, Grantham, Hill, Lambert



SENATE BILL 18-083

EDUCATION INCOME TAX CREDITS FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOLS

Provides an income tax credit to any taxpayer who enrolls a child in a private school.

SPONSORS: Sen. K. Lundberg, Rep. K. Ransom

OUTCOME: Passed Senate; Lost in House Education Committee

EL PASO COUNTY DELEGATION VOTES:

With Citizens Project- Exum, Lee, Merrifield

Against Citizens Project- Gardner, Grantham, Hill, Lambert, Lundeen



IMMIGRATION

HOUSE BILL 18-1178

HOLD COLORADO GOVERNMENTS ACCOUNTABLE SANCTUARY JURISDICTIONS

Submits to the voters a measure that would create a civil remedy against the state and elected officials responsible for creating a sanctuary jurisdiction for any person who claims to be a victim of any crime committed by an undocumented immigrant.

SPONSORS: Rep. David Williams (El Paso County), Sen. K. Lundberg, Sen. V. Marble

OUTCOME: Lost in House State, Veterans, and Military Affairs Committee

EL PASO COUNTY DELEGATION VOTES:

With Citizens Project- None

Against Citizens Project- Williams



SENATE BILL 18-220

PUBLIC SAFETY PROTECTION FROM SANCTUARY POLICIES

Submits to the voters a measure that requires the state and state officials and employees to share information regarding the citizenship or immigration status of any individual with federal immigration agencies and requires each jurisdiction to give written notice to its elected officials, employees, and law enforcement officers of their duty to comply with all federal laws concerning immigration.

SPONSORS: Sen. T. Neville, Rep. K. Ransom

OUTCOME: Passed Senate; Lost in House State, Veterans, and Military Affairs Committee

EL PASO COUNTY DELEGATION VOTES:

With Citizens Project- Merrifield

Against Citizens Project- Gardner, Grantham, Hill, Lambert, Williams



LGBTQ

HOUSE BILL 18-1046

NEW BIRTH CERTIFICATE TO REFLECT GENDER CHANGE

Aligns the process for a person to change the gender marker on their birth certificate with federal standards and removes the requirement of gender reassignment surgery.

SPONSORS: Rep. D. Esgar, Sen. D. Moreno

OUTCOME: Passed House; Lost in Senate State, Veterans, and Military Affairs Committee

EL PASO COUNTY DELEGATION VOTES:

With Citizens Project- Exum, Lee

Against Citizens Project- Carver, Hill, Landgraf, Liston, Lundeen, Sandridge, Williams



HOUSE BILL 18-1245

PROHIBIT CONVERSION THERAPY MENTAL HEALTH PROVIDER

Prohibits a licensed mental health care provider from engaging in conversion therapy with a patient under 18 years of age.

SPONSORS: Rep. D. Michaelson Jenet, Rep. P. Rosenthal, Sen. S. Fenberg, Sen. L. Guzman

OUTCOME: Passed House; Lost in Senate State, Veterans, and Military Affairs Committee

EL PASO COUNTY DELEGATION VOTES:

With Citizens Project- Exum, Lee

Against Citizens Project- Carver, Hill, Liston, Landgraf, Lundeen, Sandridge



ELECTIONS

SENATE BILL 18-150

VOTER REGISTRATION INDIVIDUALS CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM

Allows a person on parole to preregister to vote and requires the division of adult parole to facilitate the voting rights of people being discharged from parole.

SPONSORS: Sen. S. Fenberg, Sen. K. Lundberg, Rep. P. Lee (El Paso County), Rep. H. McKean

OUTCOME: Signed into Law

EL PASO COUNTY DELEGATION VOTES:

With Citizens Project- Exum, Grantham, Hill, Lee, Merrifield

Against Citizens Project- Carver, Gardner, Lambert, Landgraf, Liston, Lundeen, Sandridge, Williams



HOUSE BILL 18-1145

ENJOINED LAWS ON BALLOT ISSUE PETITIONER CIRCULATOR

Repealed laws which required ballot issue petition circulators to be Colorado residents and which limited the amount of per-signature compensation that ballot issue petition circulators may be paid, aligning CO election law with a recent court ruling.

SPONSORS: Rep. E. Hooton, Sen. D. Moreno

OUTCOME: Signed into Law

EL PASO COUNTY DELEGATION VOTES:

With Citizens Project- Carver, Exum, Lambert, Landgraf, Lee, Liston, Lundeen, Gardner, Grantham, Hill, Merrifield, Sandridge, Williams

Against Citizens Project- None



EL PASO COUNTY DELEGATION VOTES



HB18-1256 HCR18-1002 HB18-1206 SB18-241 SB18-083 HB18-1178 SB18-220 HB18-1046 HB18-1245 SB18-150 HB18-1145

| Representative | | District | Equality | | Church/State | | | Immigration | | LGBTQ | | Elections | |
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| | Shane Sandridge | HD 14 | X | ✓ | X | - | - | - | - | X | X | X | ✓ |
| | Dave Williams | HD 15 | X | ✓ | - | - | - | X | X | X | e | X | ✓ |
| | Larry Liston | HD 16 | X | ✓ | - | - | - | - | - | X | X | X | ✓ |
| | Tony Exum | HD 17 | ✓ | ✓ | - | - | ✓ | - | - | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Pete Lee | HD 18 | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | - | ✓ | - | - | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Paul Lundeen | HD 19 | X | ✓ | X | - | X | - | - | X | X | X | ✓ |
| | Terri Carver | HD 20 | ✓ | ✓ | - | - | - | - | - | X | X | X | ✓ |
| | Lois Landgraf | HD 21 | ✓ | ✓ | - | - | - | - | - | X | X | X | ✓ |
| Senator | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Kevin Grantham | SD 2 | ✓ | ✓ | - | X | X | - | X | - | - | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Kent Lambert | SD 9 | X | ✓ | - | X | X | - | X | - | - | X | ✓ |
| | Owen Hill | SD 10 | X | ✓ | - | X | X | - | X | X | X | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Michael Merrifield | SD 11 | ✓ | ✓ | - | ✓ | ✓ | - | ✓ | - | - | ✓ | ✓ |
| | Bob Gardner | SD 12 | X | ✓ | - | X | X | - | X | - | - | X | ✓ |

KEY ✓ Voted with Citizens Project's position X Voted against Citizens Project's position
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