Legislative Scorecard

2022



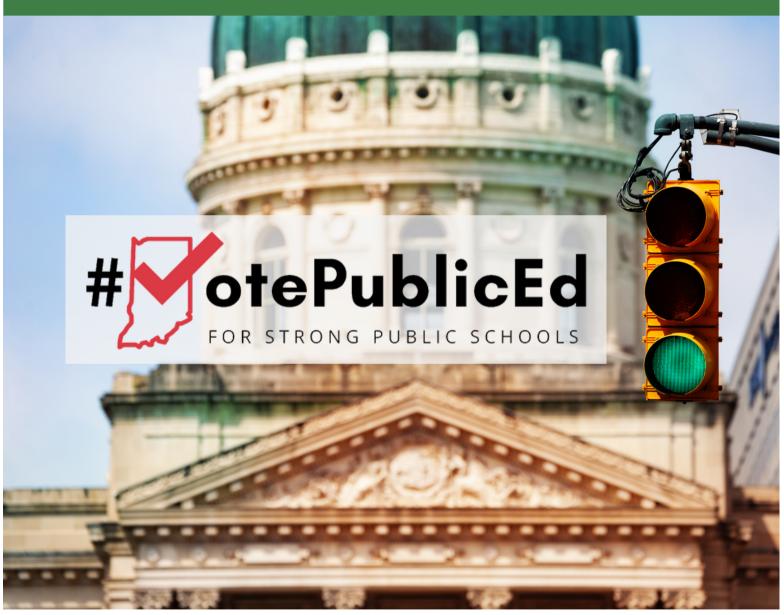




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From Our President

ICPE has been advocating for public education for 11 years while empowering our members and the public to do the same. Each budget session, we push for funding in public schools because our public schools serve **all** children – not just the ones who pass the test, enter the lottery, or who possess the selective criteria.

This scorecard reflects the votes of our legislators from the past two sessions: 2021-2022. At a time when a national pandemic caused widespread disruption to schools and the childhoods of Hoosier students, our legislature was called upon to lean in and support our kids. We celebrate that there were pandemic "gimmes" that most legislators agreed to: fully funding the perpupil tuition support even when students were attending solely online. Also, it was important that they recognized that test scores and grades during a pandemic would not accurately reflect learning. (When do they ever?)



In the face of massive disruption, illness, trauma and a mental health crisis for kids and adults, the legislature capitalized on this as an opportunity to:

- expand privatization by putting even more public tax dollars into private hands through Education Scholarship Accounts (ESAs)
- expand vouchers
- attempt to force public schools to share referendum dollars with charter schools.

In the 2022 session, some dangerous bills were pushed by extremists—and were narrowly defeated.

How did your elected representatives do? See for yourself.

We are hearing the next session will include more of the same – and then some – with a bill to allow universal education scholarship accounts. Arizona just passed a similar bill,and now every single private school student, every "microschool" student, and every home-schooled student in their state could receive \$7000. Can your local public schools afford to lose more funding? Last year alone Indiana sent more than a quarter of a billion dollars of our tax money to private schools – a 44% increase in funds. What could your public school district do with 44% more funding?

We aren't likely to change legislators' minds. We must change legislators. If you want to support public education and kids, remember to #VOTEPublicEd.



About Us



The Indiana Coalition for Public Education is a bipartisan non-profit dedicated to preserving and improving public education for all Indiana students. We believe all Indiana children deserve an equitable, fully-funded education system under local control of parents and citizens. To realize this future, we advocate at the statehouse, inform voters about issues affecting schools, and empower Indiana citizens to advance the public schools* in their communities.

Vision

The vision of the bipartisan Indiana Coalition for Public Education is to advocate for high quality, equitable, well-funded public schools for all children that are subject to democratic oversight by their communities.

Mission

Our mission is to be a strong, convening voice for public education advocacy in Indiana.

*Our organization does not consider charters or so-called "innovation schools" to be public schools, though they are called that in state law. Charters and "innovation schools" do not share the following accountability requirements with public school districts: 1) to serve all students within a given geographic area, 2) to be governed by a democratically elected local board ("innovation schools" are outsourced within districts, while charters appoint their own boards), and 3) to follow the full body of state education law, including teacher certification requirements and financial reporting requirements.



Introduction



About the Budget Bill

Why don't we use the budget bill in our calculations? Many times, bills and concepts often get slipped into the budget bill (always HB 1001). These additions occur in the final chaotic days of the legislative session through amendments and conference committees, making the original bill entirely different. Thus, the final bill may include some items a particular legislator doesn't support, and other items they do support. It is hard for legislators to vote against the budget bill in the final hours, and their vote may not truly reflect their priorities on every issue. Therefore, we are not penalizing or rewarding legislators for their votes on the budget bill. Is it undemocratic to use a workaround to avoid the public committee process to get what you want? You decide. There are no checks and balances to this except what we find *in the voting booth*.

Pandemic Support

There were bills that supported all schools during the pandemic, whether they were to ensure 100% of tuition support funding or suspending letter grades. These bills were the bare minimum of school support and almost all legislators voted for them. In 2021, SB 2 ensured schools would receive 100% of their tuition support when they were providing virtual instruction at the height of a national emergency. Furthermore, in 2022, HB 1093 suspended the use of letter grades to judge schools on their effectiveness during the pandemic.



How To Use This Scorecard



- **1.** If you don't already know, find out what state Senate and House of Representatives districts you live in. Here's an excellent source: http://iga.in.gov/legislative/find-legislators/
- 2. Our Scorecard is organized by House and Senate, then numerically by district.
- **3.** We chose to rate legislators on a number of bills that had the power to help or hurt Indiana's public schools. See information about bills we chose on page 7.
- **4.** We do not list new candidates in the Scorecard, because they have no voting record.
- Sometimes ICPE's preference is for a bill (or amendment) to receive a YES vote, and sometimes our preference is for legislators to vote NO. We have coded the Scorecard, so the preferred response is in a green box; if legislators did not vote for our preferred response, their response is in a red box.

Our Scorecard gives you legislators' voting records on public school issues from the past two sessions. This information can help you decide how to vote. The statistics also provide opportunities for conversation. Ask your legislator why they voted the way they did. Let them know what your priorities are. When talking to new candidates, ask how they might vote on similar bills that may come before the 2023 legislative session.



Scorecard Bills

Why all the bills are not on our Scorecard

Below we have included a list of our Scorecard Bills for 2021 and 2022. PLEASE NOTE: To be included in the Scorecard, a bill must have had a final roll call vote. Not all of the bills came up for a final vote – and sometimes that is a good thing. Other priority bills are included as pages 17-18.

Bills - 2021	Description	ICPE Preferred Position
VOUCHER HB 1005	Expand voucher eligibility, create Educational Scholarship Accounts (ESAs) for special ed. Content was integrated into budget bill HB 1001	No
HB 1384	Civics education required at some point in grades 6-8.	Yes
Bills - 2022	Description	ICPE Preferred Position
HB 1072	Would change "may" to "shall" for public schools to share referendum money with charter schools. Passed out of the Ways & Means Committee and the full house, but failed to receive a hearing in the Senate Appropriations committee.	No
HB 1134	Bill to prohibit the teaching of Critical Race Theory	No
SB 17	Prohibits distribution of material harmful to minors. It would remove immunity for librarians/media specialists. (Schools already have a process for this)	No
SB 331	Would allow state treasurer to keep 10% of Education Scholarship (ESA) funds for administrative costs	No



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How Legislators Voted - House (1-25)

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Support for Indiana Public Schools

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NV =	Not Vo	ting		(Year)		(2021)	(2021)	(2022)	(2022)
		•	e vote tally	description	→	expand vouchers, ESAs	civics ed required	sharing referenda \$ w/charters	anti-CRT
ICPE VIE	W					NO	YES	NO	NO
House	1	Rep.	Carolyn	Jackson	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	2	Rep.	Earl	Harris	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	3	Rep.	Ragen	Hatcher	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	4	Rep.	Edmond	Soliday	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	5	Rep.	Dale	DeVon	R	Υ	Υ	NV	Υ
House	6	Rep.	Maureen	Bauer	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	7	Rep.	Jake	Teshka	D	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	8	Rep.	Ryan	Dvorak	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	9	Rep.	Patricia	Boy	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	10	Rep.	Charles	Moseley	D	N	E	E	E
House	11	Rep.	Mike	Aylesworth	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	12	Rep.	Mike	Andrade	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	13	Rep.	Sharon	Negele	R	N	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	14	Rep.	Vern	Smith	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	15	Rep.	Harold	Slager	R	N	Υ	Υ	у
House	16	Rep.	Doug	Gutwein	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	17	Rep.	Jack	Jordan	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	18	Rep.	Craig	Snow	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	19	Rep.	Julie	Olthoff	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	20	Rep.	Jim	Pressel	R	Υ	Υ	N	Υ
House	21	Rep.	Timothy	Wesco	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	22	Rep.	Curt	Nisly	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	N
House	23	Rep.	Ethan	Manning	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	24	Rep.	Donna	Schaibley	R	Υ	Υ	N	Υ
House	25	Rep.	Don	Lehe	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ



How Legislators Voted - House (26-50)

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ICPE VIE	W					NO	YES	NO	NO
House	26	Rep.	Chris	Campbell	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	27	Rep.	Sheila	Klinker	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	28	Rep.	Jeffrey	Thompson	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	29	Rep.	Chuck	Goodrich	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	30	Rep.	Mike	Karickhoff	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	31	Rep.	Ann	Vermilion	R	N	Е	N	N
House	32	Rep.	Anthony	Cook	R	N	Υ	N	Υ
House	33	Rep.	John	Prescott	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	34	Rep.	Sue	Errington	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	35	Rep.	Elizabeth	Rowray	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	у
House	36	Rep.	Terri Jo	Austin	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	37	Rep.	Todd	Huston	R	NV	NV	Υ	Υ
House	38	Rep.	Heath	VanNatter	R	Υ	Υ	Е	Υ
House	39	Rep.	Jerry	Torr	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	40	Rep.	Gregory	Steuerwald	R	Υ	Υ	N	Υ
House	41	Rep.	Timothy	Brown	R	Υ	N	Υ	Υ
House	42	Rep.	Alan P.	Morrison	R	Υ	Υ	Е	Υ
House	43	Rep.	Tonya	Pfaff	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	44	Rep.	Beau	Baird	R	Υ	Е	N	Υ
House	45	Rep.	Bruce	Borders	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	46	Rep.	Robert	Heaton	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	47	Rep.	John	Young	R	Y	Y	Ÿ	Υ
House	48	Rep.	Doug	Miller	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	49	Rep.	Joanna	King	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	50	Rep.	Daniel	Leonard	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ



How Legislators **Voted - House (51-75)**

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U - INO	record	u on the	vote tally	description	→	vouchers, ESAs	civics ed required	referenda \$ w/charters	anti-CRT
ICPE VIE	W					NO	YES	NO	NO
House	51	Rep.	Dennis	Zent	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	52	Rep.	Ben	Smaltz	R	Υ	Υ	N	Υ
House	53	Rep.	Robert	Cherry	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	54	Rep.	Thomas	Saunders	R	N	Υ	Е	E
House	55	Rep.	Cindy	Ziemke	R	Υ	Υ	Е	N
House	56	Rep.	Brad	Barrett	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	57	Rep.	Sean	Eberhart	R	Е	Υ	N	Υ
House	58	Rep.	Michelle	Davis	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	59	Rep.	Ryan	Lauer	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	60	Rep.	Peggy	Mayfield	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	61	Rep.	Matt	Pierce	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	62	Rep.	Jeff	Ellington	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	63	Rep.	Shane	Lindauer	R	Υ	Υ	N	N
House	64	Rep.	Matt	Hostettler	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	65	Rep.	Chris	May	R	Υ	Υ	NV	Υ
House	66	Rep.	Zach	Payne	D	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	67	Rep.	Randall	Frye	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	68	Rep.	Randy	Lyness	R	N	Υ	Υ	N
House	69	Rep.	Jim	Lucas	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	70	Rep.	Karen	Engleman	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	71	Rep.	Rita	Fleming	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	72	Rep.	Ed	Clere	R	у	Υ	Ÿ	N
House	73	Rep.	J.	Davisson	R	N	Е	Υ	E
House	74	Rep.	Steve	Bartels	R	N	Е	N	N
House	75	Rep.	Cindy	Ledbetter	R	Υ	Е	Υ	Υ



How Legislators Voted - House (76-100)

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ICPE VIE	W					NO	YES	NO	NO
House	76	Rep.	Wendy	McNamara	R	N	Υ	N	N
House	77	Rep.	Ryan	Hatfield	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	78	Rep.	Tim	O'Brien	R	0	0	Υ	Υ
House	79	Rep.	Matt	Lehman	R	Υ	Е	NV	Υ
House	80	Rep.	Phil	Giaquinta	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	81	Rep.	Martin	Carbaugh	R	Υ	Υ	NV	Υ
House	82	Rep.	Devid	Abbott	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	83	Rep.	Chris	Judy	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	84	Rep.	Robert	Morris	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	85	Rep.	Dave	Heine	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	86	Rep.	Ed	DeLaney	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	87	Rep.	Carey	Hamilton	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	88	Rep.	Chris	Jeter	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	89	Rep.	Mitch	Gore	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	90	Rep.	Mike	Speedy	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ
House	91	Rep.	Robert W.	Behning	R	Υ	Е	Υ	Υ
House	92	Rep.	Renee	Pack	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	93	Rep.	John	Jacob	R	Υ	Υ	Υ	N
House	94	Rep.	Cherrish	Pryor	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	95	Rep.	John	Bartlett	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	96	Rep.	Gregory	Porter	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	97	Rep.	Justin	Moed	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	98	Rep.	Robin	Shackleford	D	N	E	N	N
House	99	Rep.	Vanessa	Summers	D	N	Υ	N	N
House	100	Rep.	Blake	Johnson	D	N	Υ	N	N



How Legislators Voted - Senate (1-25)

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Senate	1	Sen.	Michael	Griffen	D	0	0	0
Senate	2	Sen.	Lonnie	Randolph	D	Υ	N	N
Senate	3	Sen.	Eddie	Melton	D	Υ	N	N
Senate	4	Sen.	Rodney	Pol, Jr.	R	0	N	N
Senate	5	Sen.	Ed	Charbonneau	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	6	Sen.	Rick	Niemeyer	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	7	Sen.	Brian	Buchanan	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	8	Sen.	Mike	Bohacek	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	9	Sen.	Ryan	Mischler	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	10	Sen.	David	Niezgodski	D	Υ	N	N
Senate	11	Sen.	Linda	Rogers	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	12	Sen.	Blake	Doriot	R	Υ	Y	Υ
Senate	13	Sen.	Susan	Glick	R	Υ	N	Υ
Senate	14	Sen.	Dennis	Kruse	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	15	Sen.	Liz	Brown	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	16	Sen.	Justin	Busch	R	Υ	N	Υ
Senate	17	Sen.	Andy	Zay	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	18	Sen.	Stacey	Donato	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	19	Sen.	Travis	Holdman	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	20	Sen.	Scott	Baldwin	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	21	Sen.	James	Buck	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	22	Sen.	Ron	Alting	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	23	Sen.	Philip	Boots	R	Υ	N	Υ
Senate	24	Sen.	John	Crane	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	25	Sen.	Timothy	Lanane	D	Υ	N	N



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ICPE VIEW	V					YES	NO	NO
Senate	26	Sen.	Mike	Gaskill	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	27	Sen.	Jeff	Raatz	R	Υ	Y	Υ
Senate	28	Sen.	Michael	Crider	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	29	Sen.	J.D.	Ford	D	Υ	N	N
Senate	30	Sen.	Fady	Qaddoura	D	Υ	N	N
Senate	31	Sen.	Kyle	Walker	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	32	Sen.	Aaron	Freeman	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	33	Sen.	Greg	Taylor	D	Υ	N	N
Senate	34	Sen.	Jean	Breaux	D	Е	N	N
Senate	35	Sen.	Michael	Young	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	36	Sen.	Jack	Sandlin	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	37	Sen.	Rodric	Bray	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	38	Sen.	Jon	Ford	R	Υ	N	Υ
Senate	39	Sen.	Eric	Bassler	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	40	Sen.	Shelli	Yoder	D	Υ	N	N
Senate	41	Sen.	Greg	Walker	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	42	Sen.	Jean	Leising	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	43	Sen.	Chip	Perfect	R	Υ	N	Υ
Senate	44	Sen.	Eric	Koch	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	45	Sen.	Chris	Garten	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	46	Sen.	Kevin	Boehnlein	R	0	Υ	Υ
Senate	47	Sen.	Gary	Byrne	R	0	0	0
Senate	48	Sen.	Mark	Messmer	R	Υ	Υ	Υ
Senate	49	Sen.	Jim	Tomes	R	Υ	Υ	N
Senate	50	Sen.	Vaneta	Becker	R	Υ	Υ	N



Special Thanks

Analyzing votes doesn't tell the entire story. Other actions, such as hearing (or not hearing) a bill in a committee determines whether a helpful bill will have a chance of success or whether a bad bill will just fade away.

The same is true with offering amendments, authoring a bill, signing on as a bill sponsor, asking pertinent questions, or hearing testimony.

There were legislators who were helpful to public schools in the 2021 and 2022 legislative sessions, but we would like to give special thanks to:

- Sen. Ron Alting (SD 22) and Sen. Vaneta Becker (SD 50) who frequently support ICPE's stance on public education issues. We know that they try to help our public schools and Hoosier children in their advocacy for pro-public education bills and in their strong defense against harmful bills. We know that there is tremendous pressure to continue the dismantling of public education and we are grateful for their support.
- Sen Fady Qaddoura (SD30) for introducing a bill in the 2022 special session that would have used some of the state's surplus to add significant funding for public schools.
- Sen. Linda Rogers (SD 11) for not calling HB1134 to the floor for second reading amendments, causing the bill to die.





Next Steps

Where do we go from here? All Hoosiers who care about their Indiana public schools must get informed and be empowered to be public education advocates all across our state.



Meet our Board



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Schools



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Board Member
M.B.A., Parent Advocate,
Washington Township
Parent Council Network



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Board Member

Retired Superintendent
Merrillville Community
Schools



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Director, Indianapolis Public
Schools Racial Equity
Initiative



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Instruction 1993-2009



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Superintendent of Public
Instruction 2013-2017



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Board Member
Former Indiana State
Senator 2002-2014, Retired
Teacher



Dr. Victor Smith

Board Member & Founder

Retired Teacher & Principal,
Former Associate Director
Indiana Urban Schools

Association



General Counsel and Lobbyist Partner, Hand Ponist Horvath Smith & Rayl, LLC

Our bipartisan board of directors reflects ICPE's commitment to supporting public education in Indiana. Our board members serve or have served our Hoosier communities in a variety of ways. Our board is comprised of educators, principals, State Superintendents, school district superintendents, legislators, equity advocates, parents, attorneys and business professionals.



Priority Bills 2021

Bills - 2021	Description	ICPE Preferred Position
\$ HB 1001 (budget bill)	House speaker Todd Huston said he expected the House budget to propose 100% tuition support for virtual charter schools. We watched for that to appear in HB1001 (the budget bill), but it did not. We do not include the budget bill in our Scorecard.	No
	School funding increased, giving local school boards more resources to increase teacher pay.	Yes
	Education Scholarship Accounts (ESAs) become a line item in state budget, making ESA expenditures easier to track.	Yes
HB 1003/ SB2	Allowed schools that had to be virtual due to the pandemic, receive 100% of their tuition- support money, rather than being reduced to 85% of funding.	Yes
SB 55	Made referendum process more difficult. Public schools "may" share referendum money with charter schools	No
HB 1384	Civics education required at some point in grades 6-8.	Yes
VOUCHER HB 1005	Expand voucher eligibility, create Educational Scholarship Accounts (ESAs) for special ed. Content was integrated into budget bill HB 1001	No
SB 412	Also an Education Scholarship Account (ESA) bill, did not pass out of committee	No
A-F HB 1514	Eliminated punitive effects of A-F grades on schools. Schools with failing grades will not be subject to state takeover.	Yes



Priority Bills 2022

Bills - 2022	Description	ICPE Preferred Position
SB 167	Critical Race Theory bill and nearly a duplicate of HB 1134. The Senate rejected SB 167.	No
HB 1134	Bill to prohibit the teaching of Critical Race Theory	No
HB 1182	School board candidates must declare a political party. Bill didn't go anywhere.	No
(§) HB 1252	Allocates funds for remediation with minimal oversight	No
HB 1187	Remove all local input from Gary Community Schools. Bill did not receive a hearing.	No
SB 17	Prohibits distribution of material harmful to minors. It would remove immunity for librarians/media specialists. (Schools already have a process for this)	No
HB 1072	Would change "may" to "shall" for public schools to share referendum money with charter schools. Passed out of the Ways & Means Committee and the full house, but failed to receive a hearing in the Senate Appropriations committee.	No
SB 331	Would allow state treasurer to keep 10% of Education Scholarship (ESA) funds for administrative costs	No
A-F HB 1093	No letter grades given to schools for the 2021-22 school year	Yes

