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## LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD BASED ON THE THE U.S. CONSTITUTION

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# \$32,350.65

Estimated Wyoming State Debt Per Household



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## WY Legislative Scorecard 2025

Based on the Principles of the U.S. Constitution

★ Constitutional	✗ Unconstitutional	? Did not Vote	Vote
★			YES
1. <b>HB64 Proof of Life for the Preborn</b> (passed 22 to 9 on 3/6/2025). Requires a pregnant woman to receive an ultrasound that allows her to “view the fetal heart motion or hear the heartbeat of the unborn baby” no later than 48-hours before a chemical abortion.			★
			NONE
2. <b>HB199 Expanding "Education Savings Accounts"</b> (passed 21 to 8 on 2/27/2025). Appropriates \$30 million for “education savings accounts” in FY 2025 and increases the annual “scholarship award” to \$7,000 for all K-12 students. <i>Estimated cost per household: -\$606.00/year.</i>			?
			YES
3. <b>HB116 Prohibiting Driver's Licenses to Illegal Aliens</b> (passed 22 to 8 on 2/24/2025). Specifies that driver's licenses issued to “unauthorized aliens” are invalid in Wyoming.			★
			NO
4. <b>SF96 Wyoming Gold Act</b> (passed 23 to 8 on 2/19/2025). Directs the state to hold at least \$10 million in “specie and specie legal tender” and to study methods to “begin accepting gold and silver as a payment medium.”			✗
			YES
5. <b>SJ8 Federal Campaign Finance Amendment</b> (adopted 17 to 13 on 2/11/2025). Would request that Congress propose an amendment to the U.S. Constitution permitting the states and the federal government to “establish reasonable limits on the spending of money to influence elections.”			✗
			YES
6. <b>SJ1 Article V Convention</b> (adopted 22 to 7 on 1/28/2025). Would apply to Congress to call a “convention of the states” under Article V of the U.S. Constitution.			✗

Scorecard Votes: 40%

# Why do these votes matter?

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## 1. Proof of Life for the Preborn

HB64 requires a pregnant woman to receive an ultrasound that allows her to “view the fetal heart motion or hear the heartbeat of the unborn baby” no later than 48-hours before a chemical abortion.

The care of human life—not its destruction—is the greatest responsibility of government. This bill places further restrictions on those who aid and abet chemical abortions by protecting a pregnant mother’s right to know and see proof of life of her preborn child. At the same time, lawmakers in Wyoming should proceed with legislation to abolish abortion and secure the right to life for every person. The right to life is the most fundamental, God-given, and “unalienable” right asserted in the Declaration of Independence and guaranteed by the Fifth and 14th Amendments to the U.S. Constitution.

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## 2. Expanding "Education Savings Accounts"

HB199 appropriates \$30 million for “education savings accounts” in FY 2025 and increases the annual “scholarship award” for all K-12 students.

Education is not the role of government—it is the responsibility of a child’s parents or family. This bill expands the government’s monopoly on K-12 education, which seeks universal state-sponsored schooling. Its exchange of public subsidies for curriculum and other regulatory controls effectively turns every participating student into a government-school student. The best “school choice” is for parents to choose not to place their child’s education in the hands of the state. Citizens should not be forced to furnish their hard-earned tax dollars to fund all that now entails a compulsory, failing, and government-run K-12 school system.

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## 3. Prohibiting Driver's Licenses for Illegal Aliens

HB116 specifies that driver’s licenses issued to “unauthorized aliens” are invalid in Wyoming.

Illegal aliens should not be given sanctuary or residency in Wyoming, let alone government-issued driver’s licenses. Rather than pursue blatantly anti-American policies that undermine the rule of law and erode the privileges and value of citizenship, each of the several States should use its sovereign powers protected via the 10th Amendment to stop illegal migration and provide for the public safety.

## 4. Wyoming Gold Act

SF96 directs the state to hold at least \$10 million in “specie and specie legal tender” and to study methods to “begin accepting gold and silver as a payment medium.”

This bill is a necessary step toward restoring sound money and adhering to the U.S. Constitution’s monetary provisions. Article 1, Section 10, of the Constitution says that “No State shall ... make any Thing but gold and silver Coin a Tender in Payment of Debts.” States can and must act now to protect Americans’ financial freedom and privacy by both ending the Federal Reserve’s unconstitutional monopoly on money and thwarting government plans to impose a Central Bank Digital Currency.

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## 5. Federal Campaign Finance Amendment

SJ8 would request that Congress propose a federal campaign finance amendment.

Requiring law-abiding U.S. citizens to disclose or limit political campaign contributions is an egregious denial of free speech and private property. Government has absolutely no authority to restrict a person’s right to speak freely or spend their own money, including their right do so in association with others. Given that the legitimate powers of government apply only to acts that are injurious, campaign finance laws are nothing less than indirect forms of voter suppression and election interference. They hinder Americans’ ability to choose and support candidates to the extent that they desire, using their own resources. In addition, mandatory reporting subjects both candidates and their supporters to another sweeping layer of government surveillance, violating personal privacy. The States must safeguard the public liberty by opposing this anti-constitutional federal amendment.

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## 6. Article V Convention

SJ1 would apply to Congress to call a “convention of the states” under Article V of the U.S. Constitution.

Efforts to call an Article V “convention of the states” must be resisted. A constitutional convention (Con-Con) would have the power to make major changes to the U.S. Constitution, or even completely rewrite it. Instead of failing to uphold their oath of office and risking the danger of a “runaway convention,” state legislators should act to immediately nullify all unconstitutional federal laws. Whenever the federal government assumes undelegated powers, in blatant violation of the 10th Amendment, nullification of such lawless acts is the proper remedy. Article V was designed to correct potential errors or defects in the Constitution, not to “misconstrue or abuse its powers.” We must use Article VI to enforce the Constitution, rather than use Article V to destroy it.