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HI Legislative Scorecard 2024

✓ Pro-Freedom ✗ Anti-Freedom – Did not Vote

Vote

1. Prohibits individuals from selling ammunition to a person under the age of 21. Additionally, it prohibits individuals under the age of 21 from owning, possessing, or controlling ammunition.



Pro-Freedom: **No** · Cast: **Yes** · SB2845 · 05/01/2024

2. Allows the state Department of Agriculture, with the governor's approval, to declare a "biosecurity emergency" in response to outbreaks of invasive pests or organisms that threaten the state's economy or environment.



Pro-Freedom: **No** · Cast: **Yes** · SB572 · 05/01/2024

3. Requires the Hawaii Office of Elections to apply for membership with the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC).



Pro-Freedom: **No** · Cast: **Yes** · SB2240 · 05/01/2024

4. Aligns Hawaii's building codes with federal EPA regulations by allowing substitute refrigerants, supporting climate goals and easing compliance with the phasedown of HFCs under the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act of 2020.



Pro-Freedom: **No** · Cast: **Yes** · SB2753 · 05/01/2024

5. Sets a statewide goal for each law-enforcement agency to increase the employment of female officers to 30% by 2030, and mandates that agencies actively recruit from diverse backgrounds, including schools of social work, to enhance diversity within the force.



Pro-Freedom: **No** · Cast: **Yes** · HB2231 · 04/17/2024

6. Legalizes the direct sale of raw milk and raw-milk products from producers to consumers for human consumption, under specific conditions. It also allowed raw goat milk sales for pet use.



Pro-Freedom: **Yes** · Cast: **Yes** · HB1989 · 03/05/2024

Scorecard Votes: 17%

Why do these votes matter?

1. Ammunition Age Restriction

SB2845 prohibits individuals from selling ammunition to a person under the age of 21. Additionally, it prohibits individuals under the age of 21 from owning, possessing, or controlling ammunition.

The Hawaii State House of Representatives passed SB2845 on May 1, 2024 by a vote of 45 to 6. We have assigned pluses to the nays because this bill expands Hawaii's blatantly unconstitutional firearms restrictions, which erode the rights of law-abiding adult gun owners. The Second Amendment expressly declares that "the right of the people to keep and bear Arms, shall not be infringed," without exception on account of age.

2. Biosecurity Emergency Powers

SB572 allows the state Department of Agriculture, with the governor's approval, to declare a "biosecurity emergency" in response to outbreaks of invasive pests or organisms that threaten the state's economy or environment. During such emergencies, the department can bypass standard procurement rules, quarantine affected areas, and subpoena records from agricultural importers to control the spread.

The Hawaii State House of Representatives passed SB572 on May 1, 2024 by a vote of 58 to 3. We have assigned pluses to the nays because our Founding Fathers believed that checks and balances in government are essential to keeping elected officials in check with the Constitution and preventing unconstitutional government overreach. This bill strips legislative power, allowing bureaucrats and the governor to potentially implement draconian orders. Article IV, Section 4, of the U.S. Constitution requires states to have a republican form of government.

3. ERIC Membership

SB2240 requires the Hawaii Office of Elections to apply for membership with the Electronic Registration Information Center (ERIC).

The Hawaii State House of Representatives passed SB2240 on May 1, 2024 by a vote of 42 to 9. We have assigned pluses to the nays because ERIC is a George Soros-funded program that states have no business being involved in. ERIC collects private election data handed over by the states, and does not transparently manage that data. Instead of cleaning up the voter rolls, they inflate voter rolls significantly via private voter data.

4. State and Federal Code Alignment

SB2753 ensures that state and county building codes cannot prohibit the use of substitute refrigerants approved by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). This legislation aligns Hawaii's building codes with federal efforts under the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act of 2020, which mandates an 85% reduction in hydrofluorocarbon (HFC) refrigerants—potent greenhouse gases—by 2035.

The Hawaii State House of Representatives passed SB2753 on May 1, 2024 by a vote of 49 to 2. We have assigned pluses to the nays because this bill surrenders state sovereignty to federal bureaucrats and global environmental agendas. By aligning state policy with mandates from the EPA and the American Innovation and Manufacturing Act—laws rooted in the broader goals of the United Nations' Agenda 2030—it invites federal and international control over private industry. Such overreach infringes on the 10th Amendment's protection of state sovereignty, the 14th Amendment's guarantee of individual rights, and the God-given rights to "Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness."

5. Woke Law Enforcement

HB2231 sets a statewide goal for each law-enforcement agency to increase the employment of female officers to 30% by 2030. The law also mandates that agencies actively recruit from diverse backgrounds, including schools of social work, to enhance diversity within the force.

The Hawaii State House of Representatives passed HB2231 on April 17, 2024 by a vote of 45 to 3. We have assigned pluses to the nays because this bill advances the DEI agenda—a modern extension of Marxist efforts to undermine the American system through institutional subversion. True equality is grounded not in forced outcomes, but in equal protection as affirmed in the Constitution and the Declaration of Independence.

6. Raw Milk

HB1989 legalizes the direct sale of raw milk and raw-milk products from producers to consumers for human consumption, under specific conditions. It also allowed raw goat milk sales for pet use.

The Hawaii State House of Representatives passed HB1989 on March 5, 2024 by a vote of 39 to 10. We have assigned pluses to the ayes because the federal prohibition on the sale of raw milk violates the First, Fifth, and Fourteenth Amendments of the U.S. Constitution, as well as free-market principles, as the government should not interfere in commerce. This legislation is a strong step in the right direction, embracing the constitutional principle of nullification by pushing back against unconstitutional federal acts.