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1. Ranked-choice-voting Ban: SB12 Ranked-choice-voting Ban (Passed 38 to 9 on 1/20/2026). Prohibits ranked-choice voting (RCV) in Indiana elections. —

Constitutional: **Yes** · Cast: None

2. Con-Con Compact: SB210 Con-Con Compact (Passed 34 to 11 on 1/22/2026). Would have entered Indiana into an interstate compact establishing rules for an Article V constitutional convention. ✗

Constitutional: **No** · Cast: **Yes**

3. Economic-development Tax Credit: SB264 Economic-development Tax Credit (Passed 41 to 3 on 1/26/2026). Would have expanded the state's Economic Development for a Growing Economy tax credit. ✗

Estimated Cost per household: **-\$118.00/year.**

Constitutional: **No** · Cast: **Yes**

4. Defining Biological Sex: SB182 Defining Biological Sex (Passed 37 to 8 on 1/27/2026). Would have defined "male," "female," and "sex" in state law according to biological sex. —

Constitutional: **Yes** · Cast: None

5. Carbon-storage Regulations: HB1368 Carbon-storage Regulations (Passed 29 to 19 on 2/24/2026). Establishes state regulations for underground carbon-dioxide storage and allows forced participation by property owners. ✗

Constitutional: **No** · Cast: **Yes**

6. Food Freedom: HB1424 Food Freedom (Passed 38 to 10 on 2/24/2026). Allows homestead food vendors and small farms to sell specified meat, produce, baked goods, and other foods directly from their property or at farmers markets. ✓

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