1. PREVENTING ABORTIONISTS FROM KEEPING THEIR VICTIMS AS TROPHIES

SB 299 Liz Brown (R-15) House Sponsor Christy Stutzman (R-49) informs women of their right to choose whether their aborted baby is cremated or buried and institutes stricter reporting guidelines on abortionists to make sure they are treating the bodies of these abortion victims humanely. Years ago, it was discovered that abortion providers were disposing of aborted babies in sewers and landfills. More recently, after the death of notorious abortionist Ulrich Klopfer, thousands of babies were found on his property…trophies from decades of his serial killing. SB 299 recognizes these babies for who they are, human lives, and provides a method for holding abortion providers accountable for desecrating their bodies. IFI Supported. Yes (+) = 39  No (x) = 10  Excused(E) = 1  Not Voting(NV) = 0  Status: Signed by the Governor.

2. CIVICS EDUCATION IN SCHOOLS

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3. NATIONAL MOTTO IN SCHOOLS

HB 1066 Jeff Thompson (R-28) Senate Sponsor Jeff Raatz (R-27) encourages schools to display our national motto, “In God We Trust” along with the U.S. and the Indiana flags in all libraries and classrooms within public and charter schools. Sen. Dennis Kruse (R-14) and Rep. Woody Burton (R-58) were the original author/sponsor of this legislative idea. Their bill died, but the language found its way within Indiana schools. This bill was assigned to the House Education Committee, only about one-third of Americans can name the three branches of government, much less say what each does. Without a basic understanding by citizens of our nation’s history and the makeup of our government, we the people lose our ability to hold up our end of the bargain when it comes to self-government. IFI Supported. Yes (+) = 49  No (x) = 0  Excused(E) = 1  Not Voting(NV) = 0  Status: Signed by the Governor.

Priority bills within the 2020 IFI Legislative Agenda that did not get a hearing:

HB 1088 Protecting Fairness in Women’s Sports  
Rep. Christy Stutzman authored this bill in the Indiana House of Representatives. It would have prevented biological males from taking the places of biological females on women’s sports teams within Indiana schools. This bill was assigned to the House Education Committee and was never given a hearing.

SB 74 - Preserving Integrity of State ID Cards  
Sen. Jim Tomes authored this bill in the Indiana Senate. It would have prevented the BMV from issuing driver’s licenses with a non-binary sex option. The BMV attempted to include a non-binary option along with male and female as options for a person’s sex on driver’s licenses. After receiving significant opposition, the BMV removed the non-binary option. However, they could try again at any time. The bill was assigned to the Senate Public Policy Committee and was never given a hearing.
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Chart Key
✓ Voted with IFI’s Position
× Voted against IFI’s Position
NV Did Not Vote
E Excused Absence

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