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Freedom Starts Here

2018 VOTER'S GUIDE



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WHAT'S AT STAKE IN THE 2018 ELECTIONS

Elections matter. We only have to look back a few years to see what the difference is between having a Pro-Second Amendment majority and having anti-gunners in charge in Des Moines. We spent years passing good gun bills in the Iowa House only to see them die in committee in Mike Gronstal and Rob Hogg's Senate.

The Iowa Firearms Coalition (IFC) went to work in 2016 and helped flip the Iowa Senate.

What difference did it make?

In 2017, Iowa passed the most significant Pro-Second Amendment bill in Iowa history. HF-517 accomplishments include:

- Short Barreled Rifles/Shotguns
- Permit Privacy
- Preemption
- Stand Your Ground
- Emergency Powers
- Capitol Carry
- Supervised Youth Handgun Shooting
- Permit Renewal Improvements
- Uniform Permit Format

In 2018, we took the first steps necessary to recognize - under strict scrutiny - the right to keep and bear arms into the Iowa Constitution.

“ These successes only happened because of the support and activism of people like you! ”



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Not everyone was happy with these improvements in Iowa law. In fact, we saw an unprecedented number of gun-control proposals made in the Iowa Legislature during the last General Assembly. Anti-gun bills included:

- HF-2145 Reverts to "May Issue" Weapons Permits
- HF-2181 Imposes a ban on private firearm transfers
- HF-2180 Extreme Risk Protective Orders
- SF-2025 Gun Free Zone Enforcement
- HF-157 Semiautomatic Assault Weapon Ban

These ridiculous gun-control measures never saw the floor for debate because the anti-gunners didn't control either chamber. It is critical that we maintain Pro-Second Amendment control of the Governor's office and legislative majority.

If we fail, the Freedom Amendment will never see a committee.

Our efforts will be set back for years. The Fred Hubbell and Amber Gustafson weapon ban agenda will be driven by out-of-state gun control lobbyists who will set back our rights as far as they can. The fight to block them will be tough.

Please use this guide to make an informed decision and to help leverage your vote by bringing more people to the polls. Elections matter and this is where IFC members make their voice heard.

GRADING & ENDORSEMENTS

Our grades are based on a number of factors, including their public record of votes and statements, candidate interactions, committee actions, viability, and grades from credible gun rights organizations like the National Rifle Association. All grading recommendations and endorsements are reviewed and approved by our PAC Committee. Our grading scale is A+ through F. Candidates who received a "?" either did not submit a survey and/or lack enough of a public record for a grade to be issued.

Grades are issued by the IFC-PAC.



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Recommended picks in bold.



indicates an IFC-PAC endorsement



indicates a gun control endorsement


IOWA STATEWIDE RACES

CANDIDATE	PARTY	GRADE	ENDORSED
<u>Iowa Governor</u> Kim Reynolds Fred Hubbell	Republican Democrat	A F	✓

<u>Lt. Governor</u> Adam Gregg Rita Hart	Republican Democrat	A+ F	✓
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CANDIDATE	PARTY	GRADE	ENDORSED
<u>Secretary of State</u> Paul Pate Deidre DeJear	Republican Democrat	A ?	






<u>Ag. Secretary</u> Michael Naig Timothy Gannon	Republican Democrat	A+ ?	
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<u>Attorney General</u> Tom Miller Marco Battaglia	Democrat Libertarian	F A	 ✓
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IOWA SENATE

CANDIDATE	DISTRICT	PARTY	GRADE	ENDORSED
Brad Price	1	Republican	A	
Jim Carlin Dave Dawson	3 3	Republican Democrat	A- F	
Tim Kraayenbrink John O'Brien	5 5	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Steven Stokes Jackie Smith	7 7	Republican Democrat	- F	
Jason Schultz	9	Republican	A+	
Tom Shipley Sarah Ramsey	11 11	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Julian Garret Vicky Brenner	13 13	Republican Democrat	A+ F	
Zach Nunn Taylor Van De Krol	15 15	Republican Democrat	A -	
Tony Bisignano	17	Democrat	F	
Jack Whitver Amber Gustafson	19 19	Republican Democrat	A F	
Brian Bales Claire Celsi	21 21	Republican Democrat	A F	

IOWA SENATE CONT.



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CANDIDATE	DISTRICT	PARTY	GRADE	ENDORSED
Herman Quirnbach	23	Democrat	F	
Annette Sweeney	25	Republican	A	
Tracy Freese	25	Democrat	-	
Shannon Latham	27	Republican	A	✓
Amanda Ragan	27	Democrat	F	
Carrie Koelker	29	Republican	A	
Tod Bowman	29	Democrat	A	
William Dotzler	31	Democrat	F	
Edward Hayes	33	Republican	-	
Robert Hogg	33	Democrat	F	
Todd Taylor	35	Democrat	F	🚫
Zach Wahls	37	Democrat	F	🚫
Heather Hora	39	Republican	A	
Kevin Kinney	39	Democrat	-	
Dr. Miller-Meeks	41	Republican	A	✓
Mary Steward	41	Democrat	-	
Patrick Wronkiewicz	43	Republican	-	
Joe Bolkcom	43	Democrat	F	🚫
Jim Lykam	45	Democrat	F	
Roby Smith	47	Republican	A	✓
Mary Gleason	47	Democrat	F	🚫
Chris Cournoyer	49	Republican	A+	✓
Patti Robinson	49	Democrat	?	



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IOWA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

CANDIDATE	DISTRICT	PARTY	GRADE	ENDORSED
John Wills	1	Republican	A	✓
Karen Larson	1	Democrat		
Megan Jones	2	Republican	A	✓
Ryan Odor	2	Democrat	?	
D. Huseman	3	Republican	A	
S. Wheeler	4	Republican	A	✓
T. Jeneary	5	Republican	A	
A. Emanuel	5	Democrat	-	
Jacob Bossman	6	Republican	A	
Rita Dejong	6	Democrat	?	
Ted Gassman	7	Republican	A	
Debra Jensen	7	Democrat	?	
Terry C. Baxter	8	Republican	A+	✓
Connie Price	8	Democrat	?	
Ann Meyer	9	Republican	A-	
Megan Srinivas	9	Democrat	?	
Mike Sexton	10	Republican	A	
Jake Thompson	10	Democrat	?	
Gary Worthan	11	Republican	A	



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Brian Best Peter Leo	12 12	Republican Democrat	A F	
Chris Hall	13	Democrat	F	
R. Henderson Tim Kacena	14 14	Republican Democrat	A C	
LeAnn Hughes C. McConkey	15 15	Republican Democrat	A F	
Mary Hanua Steve Gorman	16 16	Republican Democrat	A- ?	
Matt Windschitl Jan Creasman	17 17	Republican Democrat	A+ ?	
Steven Holt	18	Republican	A	
Chris Hagenow Gregg Gustafson	19 19	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Ray Sorenson Warren Varley	20 20	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Tom Moore Denise O'Brien	21 21	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Jon Jacobson Ray Stevens	22 22	Republican Democrat	A ?	



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David Sieck Chuck Larson	23 23	Republican Democrat	A ?	
C. Dolecheck J. Uhlenhamp	24 24	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Stan Gustafon Ryan Marquardt	25 25	Republican Democrat	A F	✓
R. Snodgrass Scott Ourth	26 26	Republican Democrat	A C	✓
Joel Fry Richard Foster	27 27	Republican Democrat	A F	
Jon Thorup Ann Fields	28 28	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Ann Howell W. Brechenridge	29 29	Republican Democrat	F F	
Brian Lohse Kent Balduchi	30 30	Republican Democrat	? F	
Rick Olsen	31	Democrat	F	
Bill Charlier Ruth Gaines	32 32	Republican Democrat	A F	
Brian Meyer	33	Democrat	F	
Bruce Hunter	34	Democrat	F	
Ako Abdul-Samad	35	Democrat	F	



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Marti Anderson	36	Democrat	F	
John Landon	37	Republican	A	
A. Rasmussen	37	Democrat	?	
Kevin Koester	38	Republican	A	
Heather Matson	38	Democrat	F	
Jake Highfill	39	Republican	A	
Karin Dery	39	Democrat	?	
John Forbes	40	Democrat	F	
Jo Oldson	41	Democrat	F	
Peter Cownie	42	Republican	A	
Kristen Sunde	42	Democrat	?	
Michael Boal	43	Republican	A	
J. Konfrst	43	Democrat	F	
Anna Bergman	44	Republican	A	
Kenan Judge	44	Democrat	?	
Ben Brown	45	Republican	?	
Wessel Kroeschell	45	Democrat	F	
Lisa Heddens	46	Democrat	F	
Phil Thompson	47	Republican	A+	
David Weaver	47	Democrat	?	



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Rob Bacon Tim Winter	48 48	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Dave Deyoe Brenda Brink	49 49	Republican Democrat	A F	
Pat Grassley Dennis Evans	50 50	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Bloomington Tim Knutson	51 51	Republican Democrat	B F	
Todd Prichard	52	Democrat	F	
Sharon Steckman	53	Democrat	F	
L. Upmeyer	54	Republican	A+	
Michael Bergan Kayla Koether	55 55	Republican Democrat	C ?	
Anne Osmundson Lori Egan	56 56	Republican Democrat	? ?	
S. Lundgren Nancy Fett	57 57	Republican Democrat	A F	
Andy McKean Joe Oclon	58 58	Republican Democrat	C ?	
Bob Kressig	59	Democrat	F	
Walt Rogers Dave Williams	60 60	Republican Democrat	A ?	



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Brown Powers	61	Democrat	F	
Ras Smith	62	Democrat	F	
Sandy Salmon	63	Republican	A	
Eric Stromberg	63	Democrat	?	
Bruce Bearinger	64	Democrat	B	
Olmsted	65	Republican	?	
Liz Bennett	65	Democrat	F	
T. Daubitz	66	Republican	C	
Art Staed	66	Democrat	F	
Ashley Hinson	67	Republican	A	
Eric Gjerde	67	Democrat	F	
Randy Ray	68	Republican	A	
Molly Donahue	68	Democrat	F	
Running Marquardt	69	Democrat	F	
Tracy Ehlert	70	Democrat	F	
James Perez	71	Republican	A	
Mark Smith	71	Democrat	F	
Dean Fisher	72	Republican	A	
Mind Benson	72	Democrat	?	
Bobby Kaufmann	73	Republican	A	
Jodi Clemens	73	Democrat	F	



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David Jacoby	74	Democrat	F	
T. Gerhold Paula Denison	75 75	Republican Democrat	A ?	
David Maxwell Ann Egly	76 76	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Amy Nielson	77	Democrat	F	
Jarad Klein Kimberly Davis	78 78	Republican Democrat	A F	
Dustin Hite Samantha Keith	79 79	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Holly Brink Susan McDanel	80 80	Republican Democrat	A ?	
C. Westrich Mary Gaskill	81 81	Republican Democrat	? F	
Phil Miller	82	Democrat	F	
J. Reichman Jeff Kurtz	83 83	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Joe Mitchell Jason Moats	84 84	Republican Democrat	? B	
Vicki Lensing Mary Mascher	85 86	Democrat Democrat	F F	



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Tim Goodwin Dennis Cohoon	87 87	Republican Democrat	A F	
David Kerr Lanny Hillyard	88 88	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Monica Kurth	89	Democrat	F	
Cindy Winckler	90	Democrat	F	
Gary Carlson Laura Liegois	91 91	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Ross Paustian Jean Simpson	92 92	Republican Democrat	A ?	
Phyllis Thede	93	Democrat	F	
Gary Mohr Joan Marttila	94 94	Republican Democrat	A F	
Louie Zumbach C. Andrews	95 95	Republican Democrat	A F	
Lee Hein R. Montgomery	96 96	Republican Democrat	A ?	
N. Mommsen Tim McClimon	97 97	Republican Democrat	B ?	
Reese Peterson Mary Wolfe	98 98	Republican Democrat	? D	



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CANDIDATE	DISTRICT	PARTY	GRADE	ENDORSED
Pauline Chilton	99	Republican	A	
Lindsay James	99	?		
Hank Linden	100	Republican	F	
Charles Isenhart	100	Democrat	F	

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IFC-PAC is the political arm of the Iowa Firearms Coalition. The PAC is focused on electing and supporting Pro-Second Amendment candidates across the state.

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Leverage your vote! Share this guide with friends of the cause and bring everyone you can out to the polls to preserve our fundamental rights! Learn more ways to support the rights of gun owners in Iowa at:

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IOWA'S MOST EFFECTIVE GUN RIGHTS PAC

The Iowa Firearms Coalition is the grassroots Second Amendment advocacy group responsible for the pivotal legislation bringing uniformity to Iowa's Permit to Carry process in 2010, otherwise known as SHALL ISSUE. Since that time, we have expanded our legislative victories over the years to include:

- Stand Your Ground
- Legalized Short Barreled Rifles & Shotguns
- Restored Supervised Youth Handgun Shooting
- Permit Privacy
- Capitol Carry
- Statewide Permit Uniformity
- Permit to Acquire valid five years
- Emergency Powers Protections
- Enhanced Penalties for Straw Purchasers
- Legalized Rifle Hunting for Deer w/ Approved Calibers
- Legalized Suppressors
- Legalized ATV Carry
- Legalized Mourning Dove Hunting
- Passed Shall Issue

And we are just getting started!

Our dedicated members and volunteers are the reason Iowa is gaining legislative momentum every year. Regardless of political affiliation, all citizens are welcome to unite with IFC to preserve our unique American 2A rights for generations of Iowans to come.

Join our movement at [IOWAFC.ORG](https://www.iowafc.org)

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