



# ELEVATE RAPID CITY PRO-BUSINESS 2023 LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD

Elevate took a strong policy position on 13 bills during the 2023 Legislative Session to advocate for the Rapid City business community. This pro-business scorecard reflects the voting record of local legislators on these key issues.



Pro-Business Champion



Pro-Business Advocate

	HOUSING			PUBLIC POLICY				APPROPRIATIONS						
	SB26	SB41	SB120	HB1011	HB1039	HB1046	HB1109	SB17	SB33	SB35	SB156	SB158	SB172	PERCENT OF PRO-BUSINESS VOTES
	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	passed	died	passed	passed	passed	died	died	passed	

	Sen. Jessica Castleberry (D35)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	100%
	Rep. Mike Derby (D34)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
	Sen. Mike Diedrich (D34)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
	Rep. Becky Drury (D32)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
	Rep. Steve Duffy (D32)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
	Sen. Helene Duhamel (D32)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
	Sen. David Johnson (D33)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100%
	Rep. Dennis Krull (D30)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	92%
	Rep. Curt Massie (D33)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	92%
	Rep. Jess Olson (D34)	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	92%
	Rep. Trish Ladner (D30)	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	83%
	Sen. Julie Frye-Mueller (D30)	✓	—	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	42%
	Rep. Phil Jensen (D33)	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	31%
	Rep. Tony Randolph (D35)	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	31%
	Rep. Tina Mulally (D35)	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	—	✗	✗	✗	✗	25%

✓ Support Elevate's position

✗ Oppose Elevate's position

— Did not vote

# BILL TITLES

## HOUSING

### **SB 26 - PASSED**

Transfer a property tax relief program, to change income requirements for certain property tax relief programs, and to index certain income schedules to inflation.

### **SB 41 - PASSED**

Establish a program for housing infrastructure loans and grants, make an appropriation therefore, and to declare an emergency.

## PUBLIC POLICY

### **SB 120 - PASSED**

Increase an amount of property value owned by a local industrial development corporation that is exempt from taxation.

### **HB 1011 - PASSED**

Revise employer contribution rates to the Unemployment Compensation Trust Fund (Re-employment Assistance).

### **HB 1039 - PASSED**

Revise certain provisions regarding the payment of tuition for members of the South Dakota National Guard.

### **HB 1046 - PASSED**

Provide free tuition at Board of Technical Education institutions for children or spouses of members of the South Dakota National Guard disabled or deceased in the line of duty.

### **HB 1109 - DIED**

Modify the occupation tax for business improvement districts.

### **HB 1193 - DIED**

Amend provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code.

## APPROPRIATIONS

### **SB 17 - PASSED**

Make appropriations for water and environmental purposes, and to declare an emergency.

### **SB 33 - PASSED**

Amend an appropriation for the revised construction costs of the Mineral Industries Building at the School of Mines and Technology, and to declare an emergency.

### **SB 35 - PASSED**

Make an appropriation to expand laboratory space at the Sanford Underground Research Facility and to declare an emergency.

### **SB 156 - DIED**

Make an appropriation of American Rescue Plan Act monies for eligible water projects and to declare an emergency.

### **SB 158 - DIED**

Make an appropriation to provide funding for major infrastructure projects to support South Dakota airports.

### **SB 172 - PASSED**

Make an appropriation for design costs related to the health services center at Black Hills State University–Rapid City, and to declare an emergency.

## What is a HOGHOUSE BILL?

A “hoghouse” is a procedure occasionally used in the Legislature where a committee or a member from the floor will move to strike everything after the enacting clause of a bill and insert the substance of an entirely new bill.

This is a complicated procedure to follow throughout the legislative process and speaks to the importance of following committee hearings as well as floor discussions. Sometimes hoghousing is the sole purpose behind filing a particular bill. Known as “vehicle bills,” these bills are written as an empty shell waiting for real content to be added later.

Hoghousing is typically a strategy to “rescue” bills that died at some point in the process, and it’s up to the majority of the body to decide whether the new bill text is germane as well as “passable.” As they say, if you have enough votes, you can do anything.

## What does it mean to Declare an Emergency?

An emergency clause is a special provision that allows a bill to become effective immediately. In the case of appropriations bills, this allows funds to be made available immediately, rather than waiting for the next budget cycle.



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