

Defend Religious Liberty

Church Space/Gun Regulations

Original Bill: [HB 258](#) **Amended Bill:** **Sponsor:** Taylor, Jered (R)

Description: Modifies provisions relating to the concealed carrying of firearms.

Position Statement: Oppose: Bill eliminates prohibition of carrying weapon into church and eliminates requirement that concealed carry permit holder obtain consent of minister to carry a concealed firearm, requiring church to post signage. Bill allows lifetime permit holders to carry in a church without permission of pastor, even if church posts signage. Oppose: As part of principle of religious liberty, churches should continue to have the right to regulate their sacred spaces and decide whether or not to allow weapons (concealed or otherwise). 01/25/19

Last Action: 03-06-19 H Public hearing completed

Religious Liberty Protections/Campus Organizations

Original Bill: [HB 837](#) **Amended Bill:** **Sponsor:** Kelly, Hannah (R)

Description: Prohibits public institutions of higher learning from discriminating against a religious student association or denying a religious student association any benefit available to any other student association.

Position Statement: Support: College campus organizations should not be discriminated against based on their religious beliefs or practices. 02/19/19

Last Action: 2-6-19 H Read second time

Original Bill: [HB 927](#) **Amended Bill:** **Sponsor:** Deaton, Dirk (R)

Description: Creates new provisions relating to student freedom of association.

Position Statement: Support: College campus organizations should not be discriminated against based on their religious beliefs or practices. 02/19/19

Last Action: 02-25-19 H Public hearing completed

Original Bill: [SB 314](#) **Amended Bill:** **Sponsor:** Burlison, Eric (R)

Description: Prohibits institutions of higher learning from discriminating against a religious student organization.

Position Statement: Support: College campus organizations should not be discriminated against based on their religious beliefs or practices. 02/19/19

Last Action: 03-12-19 S Meeting set for 12:15 PM, Senate Lounge, Senate-Education

Religious Liberty/Infringements

Original Bill: [HB 208](#) **Amended Bill:** **Sponsor:** Razer, Greg (D)

Description: Modifies provisions relating to complaints filed with the Missouri Commission on Human Rights regarding discrimination based upon a person's sexual orientation or gender identity.

Position Statement: Oppose: No one should face unjust discrimination, including discrimination for same-sex attraction or gender dysphoria; however, the proposed legislation has potential negative implications for religious liberty, privacy rights, and rights of conscience. This bill would penalize those who believe we are created male and female, violate the privacy and safety rights of women and girls, and the conscience rights of doctors and other medical professionals. 01/25/19

Last Action: 1-10-19 H Read second time

Original Bill: [HB 350](#) **Amended Bill:** **Sponsor:** Hannegan, Tom (R)

Description: Modifies provisions relating to unlawful discriminatory practices.

Position Statement: Oppose: No one should face unjust discrimination, including discrimination for same-sex attraction or gender dysphoria; however, the proposed legislation has potential negative implications for religious liberty, privacy rights, and rights of conscience. This bill would penalize those who believe we are created male and female, violate the privacy and safety rights of women and girls, and the conscience rights of doctors and other medical professionals. 01/25/19

Last Action: 1-10-19 H Read second time

Original Bill: [SB 172](#) **Amended Bill:** **Sponsor:** Schupp, Jill (D)

Description: Bars discrimination based on sexual orientation or gender identity.

Position Statement: Oppose: No one should face unjust discrimination, including discrimination for same-sex attraction or gender dysphoria; however, the proposed legislation has potential negative implications for religious liberty, privacy rights, and rights of conscience. This bill would penalize those who believe we are created male and female, violate the privacy and safety rights of women and girls, and the conscience rights of doctors and other medical professionals. 01/25/19

Last Action: 1-31-19 S Referred to Senate Committee on Senate-Small Business and Industry
