

The Record

Twelve years. Six terms. One set of priorities.

Rep. Christopher Judy • Indiana House District 83 • Allen and Whitley Counties

12

years
in the House

6

terms serving
District 83

2015

first full
session

2021

Ways and Means
since

Sworn in September 2014. Since the first full session in 2015, Chris Judy has filed, carried,

This selected overview highlights legislation authored, sponsored, co-authored, or co-sponsored by Chris Judy. Formal legislative roles are identified for every measure. A co-author or co-sponsor designation documents support; it does not, by itself, establish that he drafted or negotiated the measure.

The record is organized around issues important to District 83: life, the Second Amendment, public safety, veterans, education, taxes, immigration, and foreign adversaries.

How a bill carries his name

Author	He wrote the bill and moved it. His name leads.
Co-authored	He signed on as a House author, adding weight before the bill moved.
Sponsored	A Senate bill he carried through the House to the Governor's desk.
Co-sponsored	He signed on to carry a Senate bill through the House.

A bill that died is not a position abandoned. Several policies in this document were filed three, four, or five times before Indiana enacted them. Those sequences are shown in full.

Protecting Life

Every session since the first.

Authored the fetal remains bill in 2015. When it died in the House, he sponsored the Senate version and carried it to the Governor's desk that same session.

Signed into law

2015	<u>SEA 329</u>	Sponsored	Disposition of aborted remains
2015	<u>HEA 1016</u>	Co-authored	Newborn safety incubators
2016	<u>HEA 1337</u>	Co-authored	Abortion
2018	<u>SEA 340</u>	Co-sponsored	Regulation of abortion and newborn safety devices
2018	<u>HEA 1017</u>	Co-authored	Newborn screening
2022	<u>SEA 185</u>	Co-sponsored	Newborn safety device

Also filed

2015	<u>HB 1136</u>	Authored	Disposition of aborted remains — died in the House
2017	<u>HB 1134</u>	Co-authored	Protection of life
2021	<u>HR 29</u>	Co-authored	Urging the Governor to close abortion clinics
2023	<u>HB 1220</u>	Co-authored	Gender transition procedures for minors

The 2015 pattern repeats across his record: when his own vehicle stalls, he finds another one and the policy still becomes law. Six pro-life and newborn-safety laws spanning 2015 to 2022 carry his name — as author, sponsor, co-author, and co-sponsor.

Defending the Second Amendment

Constitutional Carry. Armed educators. Ten years of filings.

Chris Judy is a co-author of HEA 1296 — Indiana's Constitutional Carry law. Hoosiers no longer need a state license to carry a handgun.

Signed into law

2022	<u>HEA 1296</u>	Co-authored	Constitutional Carry — repealed Indiana's handgun license requirement; signed March 21, 2022, effective July 1
2023	<u>HEA 1177</u>	Co-authored	Firearms training for teachers
2017	<u>SEA 43</u>	Co-sponsored	Firearms matters
2017	<u>SEA 191</u>	Co-sponsored	Firearms matters

Also filed

2015	HB 1144	Co-authored	Handgun license repeal
2015	HB 1494	Authored	Firearm ownership and medical records
2016	HB 1293	Authored	Firearms and federalism
2017	HB 1445	Authored	Destruction of firearms
2017	HB 1460	Co-authored	Sales tax exemption for firearms and ammunition
2019	HB 1129	Authored	Training requirements for armed educators
2021	HB 1124	Co-authored	Handgun training for school employees
2021	HB 1375	Co-authored	Elimination of gun-free zones

Constitutional Carry did not arrive out of nowhere. He filed to repeal the handgun license in 2015, to protect firearm owners' medical privacy in 2015, 2016, and 2017, and to end gun-free zones in 2021 — then co-authored the bill that got it done in 2022. Armed educators followed the same path: authored in 2019, co-authored in 2021, signed into law in 2023.

Immigration and Foreign Adversaries

Filed an immigration-enforcement cooperation bill in 2016 and continued supporting measures addressing foreign-adversary threats.

Ten years before the FAIRNESS Act, Chris Judy authored HB 1295, addressing state and local cooperation with federal immigration enforcement.

Signed into law

2016	HEA 1378	Co-authored	Divestment from businesses boycotting Israel
2025	HEA 1103	Co-authored	Foreign trade offices
2025	SEA 318	Co-sponsored	Required disclosures and access of foreign media
2026	SEA 256	Co-sponsored	Foreign agent registration, foreign terrorist organizations, and foreign adversaries
2026	HEA 1268	Co-authored	Indiana defense matters

Also filed

2016	HB 1295	Authored	Complying with federal immigration enforcement
2016	HR 69	Co-authored	Urging enforcement of trade laws and maintaining China's non-market economy status
2023	HB 1312	Co-authored	Public safety funding for state border communities
2026	HB 1281	Authored	Restrictions on lobbying for a foreign adversary
2026	HB 1099	Co-authored	Foreign adversaries
2026	HCR 13	Authored	Urging Congress to designate the Muslim Brotherhood a foreign terrorist organization

SEA 76 of 2026 - the FAIRNESS Act, authored by Sen. Liz Brown - bars sanctuary policies and penalizes employers who knowingly hire unauthorized workers. Judy's HB 1295 addressed a related federal-enforcement issue in 2016. The measures overlap in subject, but they are not presented here as identical legislation.

Hoosier Pensions Out of Chinese Companies

One bill, killed in the House, revived in the Senate, signed into law.

He sponsored the bill that got Hoosier retirement dollars out of Chinese companies and carried it through the House to the Governor's desk.

Signed into law

2023	SEA 268	Sponsored	Prohibited pension system investments — restricting Indiana public pension holdings in Chinese companies
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Also filed

2021	HB 1387	Authored	Prohibited expenditures and investments — died in the House
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Indiana's public pension systems hold retirement savings for teachers, police officers, firefighters, and state employees. Judy authored HB 1387 in 2021 and later served as House sponsor of SEA 268 in 2023. Both addressed restrictions on certain public investments; the formal role attached to each measure is stated above.

Education

Supporting school funding, educational opportunity, and student safety.

As a member of House Ways and Means since 2021, Chris Judy has helped review Indiana education funding priorities. He has also co-authored enacted measures addressing school funding, expenditure targets, scholarships, school safety, and educational opportunity.

Signed into law

2018	HEA 1001	Co-authored	School funding
2019	HEA 1003	Co-authored	School corporation expenditure targets
2019	HEA 1063	Co-authored	School safety equipment
2023	HEA 1511	Co-authored	Higher education scholarships, grants, and cost exemptions
2024	HEA 1001	Co-authored	Education and higher education matters
2024	HEA 1002	Co-authored	Enforcement of equal educational opportunity

Also filed

2015	HB 1243	Authored	Disclosure of personally identifiable student information
2018	HB 1294	Authored	Education study committee

2021	HB 1003	Co-authored	Tuition support
2023	HB 1368	Co-authored	School scholarships
2023	HB 1550	Authored	Educational costs exemptions
2023	HB 1545	Authored	Youth sports and tourism development areas

From his seat on Ways and Means since 2021, Judy has participated in reviewing school funding and other state fiscal priorities.

Veterans and Military Families

The longest thread in the record. A combat veteran of FOB Balad, Iraq.

In 2015 he filed for six regional veterans' affairs offices. In 2017 the budget funded six state veterans service officers. They are serving Hoosier veterans today.

Signed into law

2015	SEA 298	Sponsored	Voluntary veterans' preference employment policy
2015	HEA 1456	Co-authored	Servicemembers civil relief act
2016	SEA 145	Co-sponsored	Unclaimed remains of veterans
2016	SEA 295	Co-sponsored	Tax refund donation to the military family relief fund
2016	HEA 1359	Co-authored	Employment of veterans as public safety officers
2017	SEA 307	Co-sponsored	Veteran preference for employment and training
2019	SEA 324	Sponsored	Disabled veterans parking placards
2019	HEA 1053	Co-authored	Disabled Hoosier veteran license plate
2019	HEA 1268	Co-authored	Veteran status information database
2020	SEA 331	Sponsored	National guard license plates
2020	HEA 1173	Co-authored	Indiana department of veterans' affairs
2020	HEA 1091	Co-authored	Education benefits relating to military service
2021	HEA 1039	Authored	Military award license plates
2021	HEA 1392	Co-authored	Occupational licensure of military spouses
2023	HEA 1034	Co-authored	Income tax exemption for military pay
2023	HEA 1076	Co-authored	Indiana national guard matters
2024	SEA 49	Co-sponsored	Catastrophically disabled veteran hunting

Also filed

2015	HB 1557	Authored	Regional veterans' affairs offices — six offices outside Marion County
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2016	HR 12	Authored	Urging study of state funding for county veteran service officers
2018	HR 17	Authored	Allocating up to \$4,000,000 in lottery revenue to benefit veterans
2019	HB 1207	Authored	Disabled Hoosier veteran parking placard — died; revived as SEA 324
2026	HB 1187	Authored	Property tax credits for veterans

IDVA's 2018 annual report confirms the department hired and trained six District Service Officers after the 2017 appropriation, each supporting 14–17 counties. Note the vulnerability: those positions exist by appropriation, not by statute. A future budget can eliminate them without repealing a single line of Indiana Code.

Police, Firefighters, and First Responders

Pensions, training, equipment, and the 1977 Fund.

Twelve public safety laws bear his name, and he has consistently championed legislation supporting the 1977 Fund, state troopers, firefighters, and first responders.

Signed into law

2015	SEA 484	Co-sponsored	Fire and emergency response issues
2017	HEA 1617	Co-authored	1977 fund disability benefits
2017	SEA 185	Co-sponsored	Law enforcement training
2018	SEA 147	Co-sponsored	School emergency response systems
2020	SEA 237	Co-sponsored	Care of city police officers and firefighters
2021	HEA 1006	Co-authored	Law enforcement officers
2021	HEA 1270	Co-authored	Department of homeland security
2022	HEA 1314	Co-authored	Public safety matters
2024	HEA 1142	Co-authored	Hoosier first responder medal of honor
2024	HEA 1004	Co-authored	Pension matters
2026	HEA 1202	Co-authored	Various public safety matters
2026	HEA 1343	Co-authored	Public safety matters

Also filed

2023	HB 1549	Authored	1977 pension and disability fund
2025	HB 1649	Authored	State police and conservation officer salaries
2026	HB 1236	Authored	Fire prevention and suppression equipment

Cybersecurity and Indiana's Defense

A multi-session record supporting development of Indiana's civilian cyber corps and related cybersecurity measures.

Six related measures across five sessions. Four enactments, including two central civilian-cyber-corps laws.

Signed into law

2023	<u>HEA 1266</u>	Authored	Cyber civilian corps program advisory board
2024	<u>SEA 150</u>	Co-sponsored	Artificial intelligence and cybersecurity
2026	<u>HEA 1343</u>	Co-authored	Adds IC 10-16-1-5.8, the Indiana civilian cyber corps program
2026	<u>HEA 1268</u>	Co-authored	Indiana defense matters

Also filed

2022	<u>HB 1274</u>	Authored	Volunteer cyber civilian corps
2025	<u>HB 1383</u>	Authored	Indiana civilian cyber corps

The strongest attribution in this sequence: Judy authored the 2023 act creating the advisory board and co-authored the 2026 act establishing the civilian cyber corps program in statute. The other listed measures document related support and should be read according to the role stated on each line.

Taxes and Fiscal Responsibility

Ways and Means since 2021.

He filed to put a state FairTax before a study committee in five consecutive sessions, and to lower Indiana's income tax rate in two.

Signed into law

2017	<u>HEA 1520</u>	Co-authored	Repeal of obsolete inheritance tax provisions
2022	<u>HEA 1002</u>	Co-authored	Various tax matters
2023	<u>HEA 1454</u>	Co-authored	Department of local government finance
2023	<u>HEA 1034</u>	Co-authored	Income tax exemption for military pay
2024	<u>HEA 1328</u>	Co-authored	Department of local government finance

Also filed

2016	<u>HR 13</u>	Authored	Urging study of a FairTax at the state level
2018	<u>HR 4</u>	Authored	Urging lowering the state income tax to 3.07 percent
2019	<u>HR 8</u>	Authored	Urging lowering the state income tax to 3.09 percent
2023	<u>HB 1381</u>	Authored	Property tax deductions and credits
2024	<u>HB 1435</u>	Co-authored	Cap on assessed valuation increases for homesteads

ABA Therapy and Behavior Analysis

Professional standards supporting qualified providers and the families they serve.

Chris Judy authored the 2021 law establishing Indiana licensure for behavior analysts and assistant behavior analysts.

Signed into law

2021	HEA 1516	Authored	Licensure of behavior analysts
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What the law established

- Created a state licensure framework for behavior analysts and assistant behavior analysts.
- Established professional oversight through the Medical Licensing Board of Indiana and a behavior analyst committee.
- Required standards addressing professional practice, qualifications, and continuing education.
- Passed the House 69-9, passed the Senate 46-4, and became Public Law 212 on April 29, 2021.

Why it matters

Applied behavior analysis is used by many families navigating autism and related developmental needs. A clear licensure structure helps families identify qualified professionals and gives the state a framework for professional accountability.

This section concerns provider licensure under [HEA 1516](#). It should not be confused with [HB 1414](#) (2025), a separate inactive bill titled “ABA therapy.”

Sources: Indiana General Assembly, 2021 [HEA 1516](#); Public Law 212. [View the official bill record](#)

Ahead of the Issue

Policies Judy pursued before related legislation became law.

These examples compare Judy's earlier proposals with later Indiana laws addressing related subjects. Similar subject matter does not necessarily mean the measures were identical or that the earlier proposal caused the later enactment.

Immigration enforcement

Judy authored HB 1295 in 2016. SEA 76, authored by Sen. Liz Brown and enacted in 2026, later addressed sanctuary policies, employer verification, and related enforcement issues. The measures concern overlapping policy territory.

Regional veterans' services

Judy authored HB 1557 in 2015, proposing six regional veterans' affairs offices. Separately, the 2017 budget appropriated funding for six state veterans service officers. Judy was not an author of that budget; no causal claim is made here.

Physician noncompetes

Judy co-authored or authored four measures between 2018 and 2022. SEA 7 became law in 2023 under other authors. In 2025, Judy joined SEA 475 as a House co-sponsor and later served as a conference-committee advisor.

Crisis-line information

Judy authored HB 1565 and co-sponsored SB 19 in 2021. Related student-identification language became law in HEA 1468.

These comparisons document chronology and related subject matter. They do not claim sole authorship, exclusive priority, or responsibility for later enactments.

Present in Both Counties

Dated, public, and specific to places in District 83.

Whitley County

2017	HR 40	Authored	Whitko High School art students, 47th World School Children's Art Exhibition
2018	HCR 54	Authored	Whitko High School art students, 48th Exhibition
2019	HCR 28	Authored	Whitko High School artists
2020	HCR 21	Authored	Whitley County Chamber of Commerce, 100 years of service
2020	HR 50	Authored	Whitko High School artists

Four consecutive years honoring Whitko students, plus the Whitley County Chamber centennial. All five authored — not co-authored.

Allen County and Fort Wayne

2016	HCR 34	Authored	Homestead High School boys basketball
2017	HCR 62	Authored	Homestead High School girls basketball
2018	HCR 11	Co-authored	Addison Agen
2020	HCR 15	Co-authored	Fort Wayne Veterans Memorial Bridge on U.S. 27
2020	SCR 53	Co-sponsored	Vietnam Memorial Wall at the Veterans National Memorial Shrine
2021	SCR 7	Co-sponsored	SR 930 in Allen County as the “Veterans National Memorial Mile”
2022	HR 40	Co-authored	Homestead girls' soccer, undefeated 3A state champions
2023	HR 38	Co-authored	Fort Wayne TinCaps, 15th anniversary
2025	HR 48	Co-authored	WOWO Fort Wayne, 100th anniversary
2026	HCR 23	Co-authored	Michelin North America, 65 years of BFGoodrich production in Fort Wayne

Also: [HR 54](#) (2025), congratulating Manchester Junior-Senior High School — his own alma mater — on the 2025 IHSAA Class 2A state championship.

Notes on this document

Every law listed carries his name. Author, co-author, sponsor, or co-sponsor — the role is stated

Enactment status. Status reflects Indiana General Assembly records reviewed through August 2026. Website bill links should point to the corresponding session-year bill page or enrolled act.

Pair every bill number with its session year. Numbers repeat across General Assemblies. HB 1159 is protective orders in 2015 and firearms regulation in 2017; HB 1295 is immigration enforcement in 2016 and physician noncompetes in 2022.

Source standard. Each bill should be paired with its session year and linked to its Indiana General Assembly page when presented online. Bill numbers repeat across sessions, and formal roles can change as legislation moves between chambers.

The Ahead of the Issue section documents chronology and substantive similarities; it does not claim that Judy caused the later enactments. Each entry identifies the later bill and Judy's formal role, if any.

Verify the record: Bill references link directly to Indiana General Assembly records, where readers can review authorship, amendments, votes, and enacted language.
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