

Equality Indiana's 2025 Legislative Initiatives

Civil Rights	Education	Health Care	Public Safety/Criminal Justice	Pro-Democracy Election Reforms
<p>The Hoosier Freedom from Discrimination Act: A statewide nondiscrimination law which bans all discrimination based on sexual orientation and gender identity or expression in housing, employment, and public accommodations</p>	<p>The Hoosier Freedoms for Education Act: Repeals the following laws: the 2022 ban on transgender girls from participating in school sports (2022 HB 1041 - Participation in school sports) and the 2023 law that requires schools to out students to their family (HB 1608 - Education matters)</p>	<p>The Hoosier Freedom for Medical Privacy Act: Repeals the following laws: the 2022 abortion ban, so all Hoosiers can exercise reproductive and healthcare freedoms (2022 SB 1 - Abortion); the 2023 ban on gender-affirming care for Hoosier youth (2023 SB 480 - Gender transition procedures for minors); and the 2023 ban on gender-affirming care for incarcerated Hoosiers (2023 HB 1569 - Restrictions on DOC provision of gender therapy)</p>	<p>The Hoosier Freedom from Hate Act: Modifies Indiana's hate crimes laws to be inclusive and comprehensive by including enumerated protections for transgender Hoosiers</p>	<p>End current limits on absentee ballots which deprive thousands of Hoosiers of their right to vote and will permanently permit "no excuse" absentee voting, so any voter who can't get to the polls on Election Day has an opportunity to cast a ballot</p>
<p>The Hoosier Freedom to Marry Act: Modernize state marriage law to affirm marriage equality for all couples and ensure legal rights for same-sex families</p>	<p>Require any eligible school, that receives public money via a choice scholarship, may not discriminate against a staff member or student based on disability, race, color, gender, gender identity or expression, sexual orientation, marital status, national origin, religion, or ancestry</p>	<p>Modernize Indiana's HIV-specific criminal laws to promote public health efforts to end the Indiana HIV epidemic by reducing HIV-related stigma and discrimination, eliminating barriers to HIV testing and treatment, and aligning laws with current HIV science</p>	<p>Ban the 'gay and trans defense' in criminal trials</p>	<p>Reform and update Indiana's voter registration system to allow automatic voter registration when a person reaches 18 years of age</p>
<p>Laws that allow for a private and streamlined legal process for Indiana citizens to change their gender identity and subsequent markers on state documents</p>	<p>Enhance school districts protections against bullying and harassment based on race, religion, ethnicity, sexual orientation, gender, gender identity or expression, national origin, or disability</p>	<p>Ban conversion therapy, the discredited practice that purports to change a person's sexual orientation or gender identity as well as repeal the 2023 law SB350, which prevents any restrictions of the licenses on conversion therapists</p>	<p>Provide funding for law enforcement officers' vehicle dash cams and their uniforms to be equip with body cameras</p>	<p>Create a nonpartisan, citizen-led redistricting commission that would control the redistricting process and produce Congressional and state legislative maps that the General Assembly would vote up or down to adopt</p>
	<p>Requires the instruction of LGBTQIA+ inclusive, comprehensive, and age-appropriate public health sex education programs in public schools by modernizing sexual health and sexual education to be inclusive and comprehensive</p> <p>Requiring in public school curriculum the inclusion of LGBTQIA contributions in state and American history</p>	<p>Protect the rights of Hoosier families to access IVF and to protect the rights of doctors to provide IVF treatment in accordance with medical standards as well as a right for insurance carriers to cover IVF without prohibition, limitation, interference, or impediment</p> <p>Declares racism a public health crisis</p> <p>Declares gun violence a public health crisis</p>	<p>Decriminalize possession of up to two ounces of marijuana and create comprehensive medical cannabis programs</p> <p>Requires universal background checks on all firearm purchases</p>	<p>Adopt "clean elections" laws that provides a government grant to candidates who agree to limit their spending and private fundraising</p>