

## Legislative Priority Issues 2023

### ELECTIONS AND THE VOTING PROCESS

- Eliminate barriers to voter registration and increase access to the ballot.
- Support efforts to ensure that elections are transparent and well run.
- Simplify the process for individuals seeking restoration of voting rights.

### OPEN AND TRANSPARENT GOVERNMENT

- Support open government through access to public records, open meetings, and public notice by both printed and electronic means.
- Oppose fees for viewing public records.

### HEALTH CARE

- Remove threat of prosecution for medical professionals who provide necessary quality of care for pregnant patients.
- Support changes in current state abortion laws to create exceptions for rape, incest, child sexual abuse, severe fetal abnormalities, and mental health of mother.
- Support TennCare expansion for adults ages 19 to 64 with incomes up to 138% poverty and/or federal options on the Affordable Care Act.
- Support implementation of appropriate measures to address the public health and safety of Tennessee communities.
- Support adequate funding for safety net services, such as mental health services, child protection, supplemental food assistance services, and disability services.

### EDUCATION

- Support policies and funding needed to provide quality public education, pre-K through high school, for all students.
- Oppose public funding of private school vouchers.
- Oppose public funding of for-profit charter schools or their management by for-profit companies.

### ENVIRONMENT

- Support state policies to protect and improve air and water quality and address toxic risks.
- Support development of infrastructure for sustainable energy.
- Promote policies that protect the state's biodiversity.