

2017 STATE OF THE STATES

End of the Legislative Season Update

TOTAL NUMBER
OF BILLS

126

BILLS THAT
REMAIN ACTIVE

61

NUMBER OF
BILLS PASSED

18

RFRAS
INTRODUCED

7

NUMBER
PASSED

0

FADAs
INTRODUCED

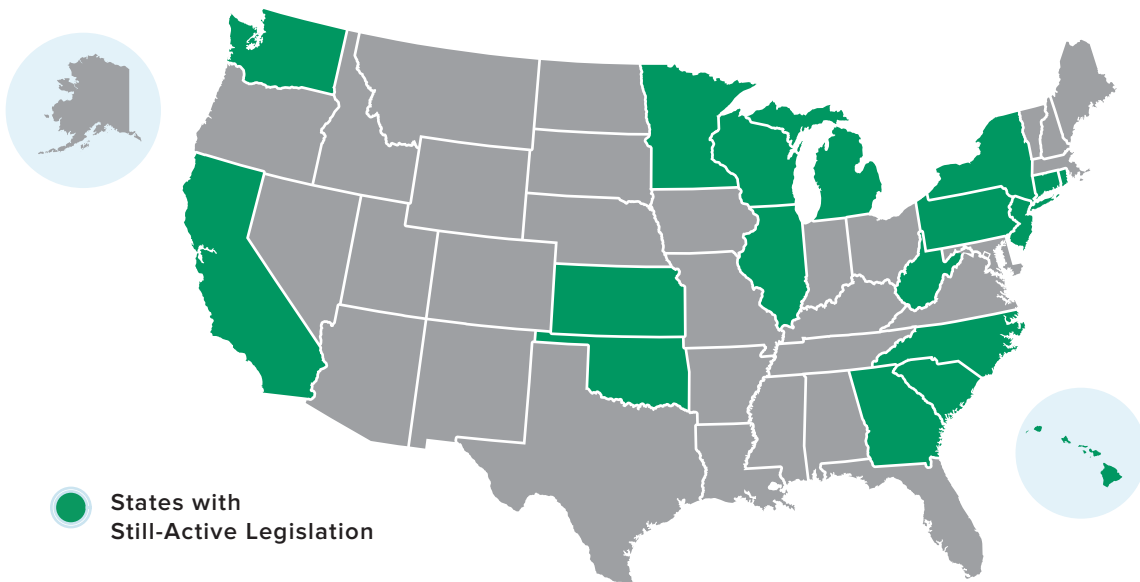
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NUMBER
PASSED

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ACTIVE STATES

The President signed a religious freedom executive order and 13 state legislatures passed religious freedom bills. The Supreme Court decided in favor of religious freedom in the *Trinity Lutheran* case, and it will hear another crucial case, *Masterpiece Cakeshop, Ltd. v. Colorado Civil Rights Commission*, this fall. 1AP continues to focus on states with year-long legislatures while also evaluating other states to prepare for the 2018 session.



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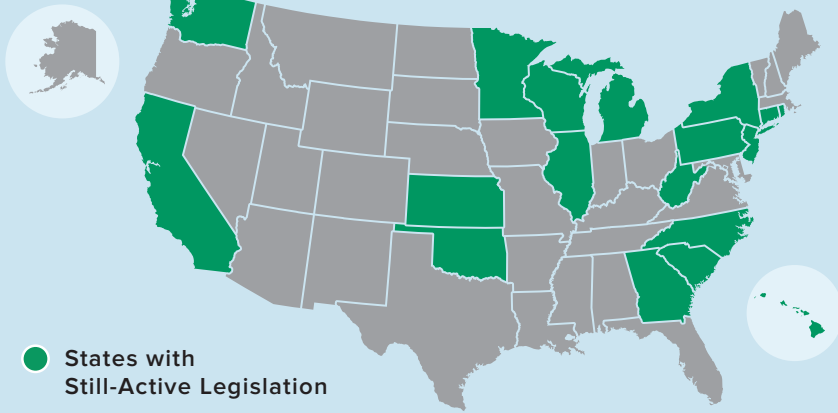
Religious Freedom Legislation

MAJOR TYPES OF RELIGIOUS FREEDOM LEGISLATION

- RFRA
- Marriage-Specific Protections
- Campus Religious Freedom
- K-12 Religious Freedom
- Medical
- Adoption
- Other

LEGISLATION STATUS

- Passed Legislature: **Bold**
- Signed into Law: **Bold Underlined**
- Vetoed / Dead: *~~Strikethrough Italic~~*



AS OF SEPTEMBER, 2017 THERE ARE 61 LIVE BILLS

SEE KEY ABOVE	RFRA	MARRIAGE	CAMPUS	K-12	MEDICAL	ADOPT	OTHER
ALABAMA					SB 185 HB 95	HB 24 SB 145	<i>HB 186</i> <i>SB 277</i>
ARKANSAS		<i>HB 2232</i>			<i>HB 1043</i>		<i>HB 1628</i>
CALIFORNIA							AB 233
COLORADO	<i>HB 1013</i>						
CONNECTICUT					SB 939 SB 586		
FLORIDA				SB 436 <i>HB 303</i>			
GEORGIA	SB 233						HB 159 SR 105
HAWAII	HB 823						HB 1003
IDAHO					SB 1182; SB 1050 SB 1181		
ILLINOIS		SB 64					
INDIANA				HB 1024 <i>SB 518</i>			<i>SB 459</i>
KANSAS				SB 238			
KENTUCKY	<i>HB 105</i>			SB 17			<u>HB 306</u>
MAINE							HB 426
MARYLAND							<i>HB 372</i> <i>HB 1362</i>

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MICHIGAN				SB 103	HB 4170		HB 4331 SB 269
MINNESOTA		HF 43		HF 23			HF 2558
MISSISSIPPI		<i>HB-846</i>					<i>HB-201</i>
MISSOURI		HB 205	HB 642				SCR 10; HCR 21 SB 43, SB 5
MONTANA							<i>SB-298</i>
NEBRASKA							LB 62
NEW JERSEY		A 1706			A 341, A 2297 S 519		A 2974, A 2969 SB 1066, A-3649 <i>A-1530, S 72</i>
NEW YORK				A 5353	S 2271 S 6141		S 10503, A 4977 S 4507, S 4379
N. CAROLINA				HB 570			
N. DAKOTA				HB 1275			
OKLAHOMA	SB 530	SB 197 HJR 1023	SB 262	SB 450, HB 1508 HB 1715		HB 1507	SJR 15
PENNSYLVANIA				HB 255			SB 24
RHODE ISLAND					HB 5919		HB 5385
S. CAROLINA			SB 221	HB 3345 SC 28			
S. DAKOTA						SB 149	
TENNESSEE			SB 723	HB 1063			<i>HB 609</i> <i>SB 403</i>
TEXAS		<i>HB-2779, SB-893</i> <i>HB-1923</i>			<i>HB-3856</i> <i>SB-2096</i>	<i>HB-1805, SB-892</i> HB 3859	<i>SB-651, HB-2876</i> <i>HB-2878, HB-3956</i> <i>SB-1609, HB-522</i> <i>HB-3571, SB 24</i>
VIRGINIA		<i>HB-1667, SB-1324</i> <i>HB-2025</i>					
WASHINGTON	HB 1217	HB 1178	SB 5832 HB 1362				HB 1007, SB 5339 SJR 8205, HB 1602 HB 2217
WISCONSIN			AB 299				AB 68 SB 39
W. VIRGINIA	SB 19						HB 2335 HB 3079
WYOMING		HB 135					<i>SF-153</i>

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Further Details

RFRA

Religious Freedom Restoration Acts balance the rights of religious individuals and institutions with the interests of the state.

MEDICAL

This category covers bills related to healthcare and conscience protections for healthcare workers.

MARRIAGE-SPECIFIC PROTECTIONS

Marriage-Specific bills create conscience protections related to the legal versus theological definitions of marriage.

ADOPTION

These bills safeguard the conscience rights of faith-based adoption and/or foster-care providers.

CAMPUS RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

Campus bills protect students, professors, and speakers, covering religious speech and the autonomy of faith-based clubs.

OTHER

This catch-all category includes narrowly-focused bills such as those addressing religiously-objecting hunters, religious garb in the workplace, and the employment of minors by religious organizations.

K-12 RELIGIOUS FREEDOM

K-12 bills generally cover religious holidays, student prayers, and speech.

