

## Voting Record

**Our Delaware State Senate rejected all 3 amendments to SB 121. They did not just reject religious liberties, they rejected it with hostility.** Senator McDowell (District 1) actually said that "religious beliefs were no reason to 'discriminate'." That is how 12 of our Senators interpreted the religious liberties protection amendment.

As soon as SB 121 passed in the Senate, bill sponsor, Representative Schwartzkopf of east Sussex was unbelievably elated to run the bill in the House. Knowing the bill would pass, Representatives Hocker, Short, and Atkins introduced the amendments to get representatives **ON THE RECORD as voting either for or against marriage, education and religious liberties protection.** PLEASE send an email of gratitude and encouragement to the Legislators who voted with us. Click [here](#) for the voting record.

### Here's the rest of the story:

The Senate also rejected the first two amendments. When the Legislators voted NO to protect marriage, we again witnessed the acceptance of the same arguments that will lead to same-sex marriage in Delaware. We expect this legislation in 2010 and we must be ready.

The Delaware legislature also rejected protection for children. Senator Sorenson, who cited the experiments with fruit flies as a foundation for homosexuality being normal, brought up the suicide rates of self-identified homosexual kids. We see this legislation trapping kids who are experiencing confusion, into being forced into an identity. Receiving help is not an option when sexual "orientation" is a protected class as it now is in Delaware.

Because the Delaware legislature **also rejected protection for children**, the full radical homosexual agenda has a wide open invitation starting in kindergarten through an anti-bullying campaign. Parents with children in the public school system should be on high alert. [Here](#) is a sampling of curriculum that we expect will come as soon as this school year.

*This Legislative session has proven to be a rough one for Delaware with the passing of gambling, higher taxes, and SB 121. **Understand that these important decisions were made in November of 2008.** We must do our homework and educate those around us about candidates before they are hired to work for us. **VOTES ARE THE ONLY CURRENCY LEGISLATORS UNDERSTAND. There is no way around this fact. Only one question remains: WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO ABOUT IT? We have a plan!** But first.... Lets turn our focus to the GOOD news!*

## Good News

1. We had several hundred people gather TWO DAYS IN A ROW! Many of you made phone calls and emailed Legislators for the first time! Thank you for forwarding the responses you received from Legislators! It is very helpful! Together we sent a strong profamily message that will not be forgotten.

2. The superstars of the debates were attorney Kameka Austin of Dover, and Senator Colin Bonini. Both delivered arguments that were worthy of great applause. We thank the ADF, attorney Clayton Bunting and Pastors Anthony Wallace of Crossroad Christian and Bob Weed of Eagles Nest and DFPC parent Kristin Hudson for their testimonies.

3. The Dover Human Relations Commission **rejected the Resolution for Gay Marriage! Chairman Hoff**, who proposed the resolution, was the only vote in favor of it, three abstained, and the remainder voted against it. Quote of the day by Commission Chairman Hoff, "We will see Gay Marriage in the state of Delaware in the lifetime of every person in this room. We will see it."

4. Our fundraising breakfast in Dover on June 20th generated great participation and feedback. The room was buzzing with networking opportunities as over 235 people gathered to hear from Col. Bill Spencer of Focus on the Family and Austin Nimocks of Alliance Defense Fund. \$20,000 was raised towards "**The Plan.**" Our most sincere appreciation to House of Hope Delaware and Teen Challenge for playing such a special part in our event. It is a privilege to be on the Front with you!

5. DFPC presence at Dover's Annual African American Festival a great success. There was terrific interest in our materials and we added many more supporters. Thank you volunteers from Crossroads Christian Church!

DFPC has gained incredible ground in only 16 months time. This was our first legislative session, and we experienced God in countless ways. We are encouraged. We have clear direction for the future. We are gaining ground and hearts. Win or lose, we engage out of stewardship and obedience. Unfailing commitment and obedience in stewardship is not optional. As long as we engage with the right heart, knowing the battle belongs to God, our resolve will be strong. God will show himself faithful as He always does.

## The Plan

**Effective immediately**, Delaware Family Policy Council has been transitioned to a 501c4 organization, which means we will be able to lobby for our issues as much as we need to without the constraints of a regular 501c3 non-profit. If we are to impact the outcome of elections and further our issues, this is a necessary transition and one that Focus on the Family Action recommends.

Our families are facing serious issues with unprecedented consequences. There are two choices set before us: 1) We can stand up or 2) we can hand over our freedoms. It all comes down to silence or stewardship. More government = less freedom, every time. As a result of our new "freedom structure" for DFPC, donations will not be tax deductible. We are grateful for those who made donations to the new C4 Freedom Plan.

**IMPORTANT:** Our supporting churches, organizations, and those wishing to have a tax deduction should **make checks payable to DFPC Education Fund**. This fund will be used for our many statewide educational and family strengthening programs in the near future.



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