



# WyWatch Family Action

## Legislation Analysis Form

(Information from a paper by David Barton)

**BILL NUMBER** \_\_\_\_\_

### **OVERVIEW:**

What is the problem or issue addressed? \_\_\_\_\_

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What relationships are affected? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill address a general and widespread problem? \_\_\_\_\_

What facts or sources are documented? \_\_\_\_\_

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Is this the least restrictive manner to address the issue? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the philosophical worldview of the bill's chief sponsor? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there a possibility of unintended consequences? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill contradict any Biblical teaching? \_\_\_\_\_

### **AN APPROPRIATE FUNCTION OF STATE GOVERNMENT- PROPER JURISDICTIONS**

Does this bill address an issue which falls under the unique jurisdiction of State government? If so, what is the legitimate State interest? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill usurp power from another jurisdiction? \_\_\_\_\_

### **LIMITED GOVERNMENT**

Does this bill limit or expand government size, powers, or intrusiveness? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill provide provisions to ensure accountability and observability by the citizens? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill micromanage the activities or establish an intrusive mandate, either funded or unfunded, on citizens, businesses, families, or communities? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill make government a provider of goods or services or does it seek a free-market solution? \_\_\_\_\_

### **EMPOWERING THE PEOPLE AND LOCAL COMMUNITIES**

Does this bill take rights from the people? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill interfere with any inalienable rights? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill restrict the liberty of the law-abiding citizen in his peaceful pursuits? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill assume everyone is guilty and must prove themselves innocent? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill protect the people from themselves or their own ignorance? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill benefit citizens in general or just a narrow constituency? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill promote local controls? \_\_\_\_\_

**SPENDING AND TAXES**

Does this bill cost money or increase taxes? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill provide a visible tax or a tax hidden in the price of products or services? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill provide a permanent entitlement? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill use taxes for penalty, social control, or reform? \_\_\_\_\_

**BUSINESS IMPACT**

Does this bill discourage free enterprise? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill discourage entrepreneurship? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill affect the taxes burden on businesses? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill negatively impact businesses? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill make businessmen serve as government bookkeepers or file clerks? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill restrict the employee and employer from deciding between themselves an equitable wage and working environment? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill restrict the employer from designing, producing, and pricing his goods or services? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill restrict the consumer in his free choice of services or purchases? \_\_\_\_\_

**FAMILY PRESERVATION AND STRENGTHENING**

Does this bill foster the traditional family structure? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill strengthen or weaken the stability of the family and, particularly, the marital commitment? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill interfere with the fundamental right of parents to direct the upbringing, supervision, and education of their children? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill substitute governmental activity for a family function or responsibility? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill increase or decrease family earnings? \_\_\_\_\_

**PRIVATE PROPERTY AND INDIVIDUAL RIGHTS**

Does this bill limit, control, or destroy a person's right to own and use his property, and that which lies above and beneath it? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill use a citizen's property for the government's or someone else's profit? \_\_\_\_\_

**STRENGTHENING MORALITY AND INDIVIDUAL ACCOUNTABILITY**

Does this bill strengthen or weaken traditional moral values? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill require personal accountability for actions? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill provide favorable treatment o one group to the detriment of another? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill force citizens to subsidize government-financed expenditures that violate their traditional moral or religious beliefs? \_\_\_\_\_

Does this bill promote a positive work ethic? \_\_\_\_\_