

Gerri Huser's Voting Record

Life

- Voted against "life begins at conception." Iowa General Assembly, House Journal (HJ) Page 2078, 4/25/09
- Voted against providing Medicaid-eligible women additional information (counseling, ultrasound, etc.) before having a state-funded abortion. HJ 1019, 3/18/10

Marriage

- Voted against efforts to give Iowans the right to vote on a Marriage Amendment. The Marriage Amendment would define marriage between one man and one woman. HJ 296-298, 2/9/10
- Voted against legislative efforts to delay implementation of the court's ruling until the legislature could act on the issue in 2009. HJ 1385, 4/13/09
- Voted in favor of opening Iowa up to same-sex marriage by voting to pass Iowa's Gender Identification Bill which wrote Gender identification into Iowa's Civil Rights Laws. HJ 1746, 4/25/10

2nd Amendment

- Voted against giving gun owners the right to protect themselves and their property from violent criminals in their homes by voting against efforts to pass a "castle doctrine." HJ 734-35, 3/8/08
- Voted against efforts to introduce and pass a "shall issue" bill in Iowa. HJ 1906, 4/25/08
- Voted against efforts to increase the freedom of gun owners to obtain permits to carry by passing an "Alaska Carry Bill." HJ 2100, 4/25/09. In this election year, 2010, she became a "gun owner advocate."

Debt/Spending

- Voted for liberal Democrat leader Pat Murphy to be the speaker of the House. Pat Murphy kicked Iowans out of "his House."
- Voted against creating a "spending transparency" website that allows citizens to see reports on how government spends our money. 4/16/09
- Voted with Democrat leaders and Chet Culver to approve the \$6.3 billion (the largest budget in Iowa history) in spite of the fact that the budget failed to address serious spending problems and used one time federal stimulus money to temporarily plug holes in spending. HJ 2108, 4/25/09
- Voted to continue to fund non-existent employees at a state level rather than cut state spending by eliminating payroll for a position when an employee leaves or retires. HJ 595, 2/26/09
- Voted against an effort to tighten state spending by eliminating funding for unnecessary travel for state employees on 3 separate occasions. HJ 1834, 1282, 1259, 4/8/09
- Voted against efforts to make state employees do what Iowans are forced to do; pay a portion of their health insurance premium. Gerri Huser chose state workers over taxpayers and stood against an effort to make them pay into their own benefits structure just as every other employee is required to do. HJ page 2070
- Voted against efforts to eliminate funding for "paid sabbaticals" for professors at the state's universities. Apparently, Gerri Huser believes that Iowans need to pay an anthropology professor from the University of Iowa to visit India to study "Sex Gods of the Chandelas" for a year and pay for the plane ticket, meals and lodging during the "study." HJ page 1410 4/14/09.
- Voted to allow publically funded state agencies to hire lobbyists (paid for by taxpayer money) to lobby the state legislature on behalf of the state to take more tax payer money for the state agencies. HJ 1729-1730. 4/25/08.
- Voted to appropriate \$300,000 in state funds to build a new train station in Dubuque to "accommodate a future connection of Amtrak services to Dubuque," despite the fact that Dubuque has no Amtrak service and Amtrak doesn't plan to expand into Dubuque. HJ 2073, 4/25/08
- Voted against reducing personal income taxes by voting against efforts to reduce the number of income tax brackets from 5 to 3. 5/1/2003
- Voted to fund construction of an indoor rainforest in Pella. HJ 2077, 4/28/07
- Voted for the "Tom Cruise Tax Credit" which gives tax credits to Hollywood movie producers to film in Iowa and offset the multi-million dollar salary for actors like Tom Cruise while Iowa families get nothing. HJ 180-181, 4/15/10
- Voted to appropriate \$120,000 in State money to the City of Des Moines for the "purchases of decorative flower pots." The spending was so wasteful that Chet Culver actually vetoed it. HJ 2050-2051, 4/28/10
- Voted to appropriate \$80,000 in state funds to "restore an antique pipe organ" in Clemont, IA. HJ 2073, 4/25/08.
- Voted against the elimination of all state benefits for illegal immigrant adults. HJ 475, 2/12/10