

Date of Notice: Wednesday, April 1, 2020

To: Tennessee Democratic Party (TNDP)  
TNDP Executive Committee  
TNDP Primary Board  
TNDP Chair, Mary Mancini  
Shelby County SCDP Chair, Michael Harris

From: Janeita Lentz  
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## **Resolution Requesting Tennessee Democratic Party / Primary Board Prohibit State Representative John J. DeBerry, Jr. from Democratic Candidacy on Upcoming Election Ballot for August 6, 2020**

**Whereas**, on November 6, 2018, John J. DeBerry, Jr. was elected to serve as Tennessee House of Representatives for District 90 [Democrat]. He assumed office in 1994. His current term ends on November 3, 2020.

**Whereas**, the mission of the Tennessee Democratic Party (TNDP) shall be to promote the ideals and principles of the Democratic Party and to assist in election of Democratic nominees for the great people of Tennessee. As bylaws outline, this organization's elected leadership also has the moral ability and capacity to prohibit candidates from certification on a Democratic Ballot for any election.

**Whereas**, John J. DeBerry, Jr. has on multiple occasions/dates, utilized his power of office to work against the constituents in which he serves undermining the voice of the people and the 'Vision' of the Tennessee Democratic Party (TNDP) in whole and in part as enclosed.

**Whereas**, on March 25, 2020, John J. DeBerry, Jr. petitioned and submitted for Democratic Candidacy on upcoming election ballot for the August 6, 2020 State Primary.

**Whereas**, the Tennessee Democratic Party (TNDP) / Primary Board has been notified by a Tennessee citizen and Memphis resident of said request to review, give due process, and decide whether to prohibit John J. DeBerry, Jr. from declaring Democratic Candidacy on upcoming election ballot for the August 6, 2020 State Primary.

On this day, Wednesday, April 1, 2020.

On behalf of many,

*Janeita Lentz*

**John J. DeBerry has a history of accepting campaign finances from Republican-Established groups and individuals. His campaign finances have very few donors listed, and the great majority are republican-established groups and individuals, he also has donated to Republican campaigns:**

CAI PAC TENNESSEE 6402 ARLINGTON BLVD., STE. 500 FALLS CHURCH , VA 22042	1/2/2020	\$500.00
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DeBerry is the only Democratic Elected Official to whom this PAC donates..

GREAT SCHOOLS PAC 1661 AARON BRENNER DR., SUITE 300 MEMPHIS , TN 38120	1/13/2020	\$1,000.00
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DeBerry is the only Democratic Elected Official to whom this PAC donates.

HUIZENGA , J.C. 3755 36TH ST. SE STE 100 GRAND RAPIDS , MI 49512 UNKOWN	12/26/2019	\$1,000.00
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J.C. Huizenga is a registered Republican and the Trustee of the Gerald R. Ford Foundation.

TENNESSEANS FOR PUTTING STUDENTS FIRST P.O. BOX 190492 NASHVILLE , TN 37219	12/05/2019	\$500.00
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DeBerry is the only Tennessee House Democratic Elected Official to whom this PAC donates. They donated to every Republican State Legislator and Republican Caucus.

TENNESSEANS FOR PUTTING STUDENTS FIRST P.O. BOX 190492 NASHVILLE , TN 37219	12/19/2018	\$500.00
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HYDE , BARBARA 17 W. PONTOTOC AVE MEMPHIS , TN 38103 UNKNOWN UNKNOWN	7/2/2018	\$500.00
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Barbara Hyde is a well-known and established registered Republican (Strong GOP).

HYDE III , J.R. 17 W. PONTOTOC AVENUE MEMPHIS , TN 38103 BEST ATTEMPT BEST ATTEMPT	7/2/2018	\$500.00
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J.R. Hyde III is a well-known and established registered Republican (Strong GOP).

TENNESSEANS FOR PUTTING STUDENTS FIRST P.O. BOX 190492 NASHVILLE , TN 37219	7/18/2018	\$1,000.00
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FEDEX CORPORATION PAC 942 SOUTH SHADY GROVE RD 2ND FLOOR MEMPHIS , TN 38120	6/21/2018	\$500.00
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Fred Smith, FedEx President and founder a well-known and established registered Republican (Strong GOP).

WEIRICH , AMY 1661 AARON BRENNIER, SUITE MEMPHIS , TN 38129 DA TENNESSEE	6/21/2018	\$500.00
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Amy Weirich is District Attorney and well-known and established registered Republican (Strong GOP).

*Disbursement:*

SANDERSON , BILL 115 E. COLLEGE STREET KENTON , TN 38233	7/25/2016	\$2,000.00
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John DeBerry donated \$2,000.00 of his \$150,000+ campaign finances to Bill Sanderson in 2016 to help with Bill's campaign. Bill Sanderson was Tennessee House of Representative for District 77 (Republican – Union City) from 2011-2019. Bill Sanderson resigned amidst allegations.

John J. DeBerry serves on the Education Sub-Committee and has been the sole Democrat pushing for the Voucher Bills which up until 2018 failed. In 2018, John J. DeBerry was the deciding vote that passed the Voucher Bill. Had he voted along party lines the bill would have failed. He has caused millions of dollars to be pulled from Public School funding to give to private schools. He is backed by a Betsy Devos (Republican) Education program American Federation for Children. <https://twitter.com/BetsyDeVosED/status/1184465265460953088>



Secretary Betsy DeVos   
@BetsyDeVosED

"Public education: We created it. We've got to re-create it."

This is spot on. Thank you, Rep. DeBerry for sharing your passion for students and commitment to education reform at our recent [#EducationFreedom](#) discussion at [@AEI](#).

WATCH NOW:







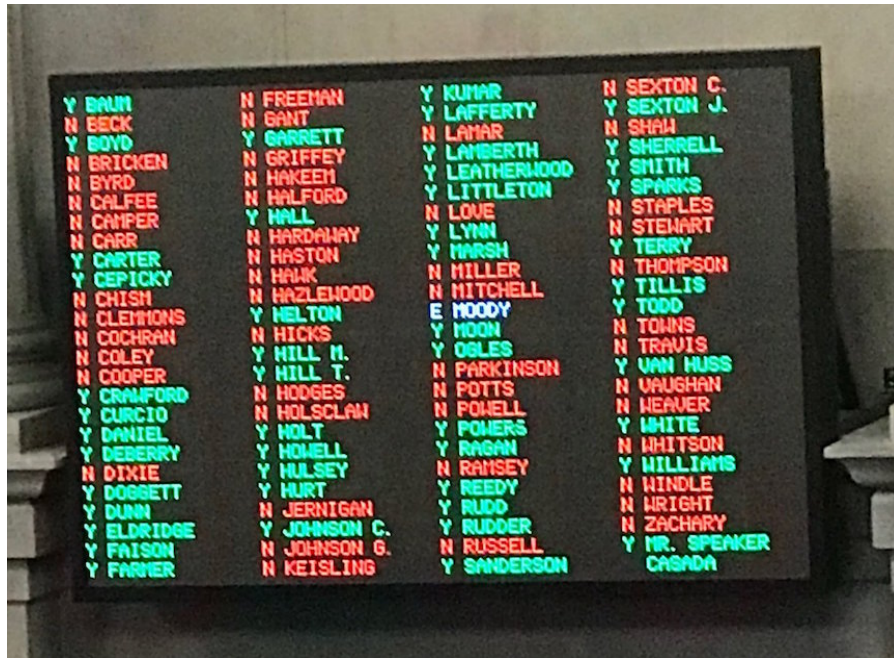
#StandwithBetsy

**Mrs. DeVos has  
championed providing  
a world-class  
education to every  
child, no matter their  
ZIP code or  
socioeconomic status.**

STATE REPRESENTATIVE JOHN DEBERRY  
TENNESSEE

Democrats  
for DeVos





DeBerry was the only Democrat to vote to pass the Voucher Bill.

This bill passed 50-48. Damaging the futures of our children.

Source : <https://chalkbeat.org/posts/tn/2019/04/23/tennessee-house-passes-education-voucher-bill-for-the-first-time-senate-vote-to-come/>  
<https://www.memphisflyer.com/memphis/looking-ahead-to-2020-elections/Content?oid=21584078>

**Why did he vote this way? What exactly does he think of Tennessee children in Public School?**

DeBerry, a Democrat who consistently has promoted vouchers as a tool to help students escape “failing” schools [says] “So when we take that teacher and take 25 to 30 unraised, untaught, irremannerable [sic], immoral, don’t-care-you-can’t-teach-give-a-flip, you can’t teach that,” he said. “

**HOUSE DEMOCRATS WERE NOT PLEASED WITH DEBERRY FOR THIS VOTE.** Source: <https://www.tennessean.com/story/news/politics/2019/04/02/tennessee-school-vouchers-democrats-john-deberry/3344529002/>

House Democrats will meet Tuesday afternoon to discuss potential repercussions for a member who has diverted from the caucus to support school voucher legislation.

Rep. John DeBerry, D-Memphis, has faced criticism from some in the House Democratic Caucus over his vote on the education committee last week in support of [Gov. Bill Lee's education savings account bill](#).

The legislation would set aside \$75 million over the next three years to launch ESAs and is expected to cost up to \$125 million by 2024.

DeBerry's "yes" vote March 27 followed a caucus meeting the day before in which Democratic leadership attempted to establish a unified position in opposition to the voucher legislation. DeBerry did not discuss the bill at the caucus meeting. He has voted with Republicans on a number of other initiatives, most recently in [support of a fetal heartbeat bill](https://www.tennessean.com/story/news/politics/2019/03/13/tennessee-democrat-heartbeat-bill-responsibility-women-could-prevent-abortions/3134892002/) to ban abortions as early as six weeks of pregnancy. <https://www.tennessean.com/story/news/politics/2019/03/13/tennessee-democrat-heartbeat-bill-responsibility-women-could-prevent-abortions/3134892002/>



Tennessee Advocates for Planned Parenthood purchased billboards targeting Democratic Memphis Rep. John DeBerry, who voted for a "heartbeat" bill limiting abortion.

*Source:* <https://www.commercialappeal.com/story/news/local/the-901/2019/06/06/planned-parenthood-aims-unseat-memphis-democrat-john-deberry-901/1359952001/>

The political arm of Planned Parenthood in Tennessee announced an ad campaign Thursday targeting anti-abortion Memphis Democrat Rep. John DeBerry.

DeBerry was one of three Democratic representatives who joined with Republicans in March to approve Tennessee's version of a "fetal heartbeat bill," which bans abortions after detection of a heartbeat at about six weeks. The other Democrats voting for the bill were Rep. John Mark Windle, D-Livingston, and Rep. Joe Towns, D-Memphis.

"During this legislative season, Rep. DeBerry, has made decisions that don't reflect our community," said Francie Hunt, executive director of Tennessee Advocates for Planned Parenthood. "He voted to criminalize abortion, and his constituents need to know about it. He joins the ranks of other extremist legislators in Tennessee and neighboring states that are working to ban abortion without exception."

## **ENDORSEMENT:**

*The National Federation of Independent Businesses (NFIB) Tennessee PAC endorses and Contributed to DeBerry in 2018. DeBerry was the only Democrat in the House to be endorsed by NFIB who's values don't meet that of the Tennessee Democratic Party as it relates to small businesses. DeBerry voted in their favor on multiple occasions. Source: <https://www.nashvillepost.com/politics/elections/tennessee-state-offices/article/21009176/nfib-endorses-tate-deberry>*

## **JOHN DEBERRY VOTES AGAINST TENNESSEE HOUSE REPRESENTATIVE & MINORITY LEADER KAREN CAMPER (DEMOCRAT) FOR HOUSE SPEAKER OF THE 111<sup>TH</sup> TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY.**

*John DeBerry voted for Glen Casada (Republican Representative).*

Casada received 75 votes — 72 from Republicans, along with votes from Democratic Reps. Johnny Shaw, John Mark Windle and John DeBerry. House Minority Leader Karen Camper, D-Memphis, received 22 votes for speaker. Source: <https://www.tennessean.com/story/news/politics/2019/01/08/tennessee-general-assembly-convenes-rep-glen-casada-elected-house-speaker/2471696002/>

- Glen Casada (R) was soon asked to resign amidst many issues that occurred.





**Ann Persists**  
@AnnPersists



District 90 constituents missed seeing John Deberry, but he can [#ExpectUs!](#) We are ready for some gunsense in the [#tnleg](#) [@MomsDemand](#)





**Andy Holt** ✓  
@AndyHolt4TN



An "Emergency Black Caucus Meeting" was just called on the floor of the House. Just wanting to bring attention to that little issue. Is the meeting open to the public, [@KarenDCamper](#)? Inquiring minds want to know? What is the topic at hand? Is it focused on Rep. John DeBerry?

10:23 AM · Mar 28, 2019 from [Nashville, TN](#) · [Twitter for iPhone](#)



**Andy Holt** ✓  
@AndyHolt4TN



There are few men I respect more than Rep. John DeBerry (D-Memphis). Rep. DeBerry is a Christ follower first, and everything else comes second—including politics. We may not always agree, but I love this man & I appreciate his stand on this & other issues.



Democrat supporting heartbeat bill says 'personal responsibility' by women could ...  
One of the Democratic lawmakers who voted in favor of the bill to ban abortions after roughly six weeks of pregnancy even says he has waited a quarter-century to...  
[tennessean.com](#)

9:28 PM · Mar 13, 2019 from [Nashville, TN](#) · [Twitter for iPhone](#)



**Andy Holt** ✓  
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10:23 AM · Mar 28, 2019 from [Nashville, TN](#) · [Twitter for iPhone](#)



Ashley Coffield, @pptnmcares CEO speaks to a packed public hearing on the TennCare block grant. Lots of Memphis electeds present, but Rep. John Deberry is noticeably absent. #expandmedicaid



Lynda Weaver   
@lbweaver

Replying to @TNAdvocatesPP @jhollymc and @pptnmcares

Sadly, Deberry no longer behaves as a Democrat, if he ever was one. You can't be pro-birth, against funding public education, and side with the Republicans on healthcare, and still call yourself a Democrat. Memphis can do better.

12:16 AM · Oct 16, 2019 · Twitter for iPhone



**Christopher J. Hale**   
@chrisjollyhale



I rarely want to criticize fellow Democrats, but Rep. John DeBerry from Memphis has gone off the deep end with his votes during this legislative session. What part of the Democratic legislative agenda does Rep. DeBerry support anymore?

1:07 PM · Apr 23, 2019 · [Twitter Web App](#)

5 Retweets 56 Likes



**Tami Sawyer Says Stay Home!**  @tamisawyer · Apr 23, 2019  
Replying to @chrisjollyhale



Dems not wanting to hold fellow Dems accountable is why he's still in the seat. It's not criticism to say "hey man are you with us or not." This is not new. DeBerry has voted against the interests of his district for years. If true Dems would stand up to him, there'd be a new rep



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**Kevin Lee Walker** @Kevin\_LWalker · Apr 23, 2019  
Yes. He needs to be primaried now.



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**Holly McCall** @jhollymc · Apr 23, 2019  
Replying to @chrisjollyhale



It's worth criticizing a Democrat with nothing they vote on is a democratic position.



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John Deberry has been a friend of mine for a long time. It is BEYOND time to replace him. He's to the right of most republicans in the legislature. It's time we replace him with a real progressive who will better serve the citizens of Memphis.



**The Tennessee Holler** @TheTNHoller · Mar 20, 2019

NEW VIDEO: Rep. Deberry Questions Need For Anti-Discrimination Commission, Calls Minority & Human Rights "murky"

@TNHumanRights protects minorities & people with disabilities. Deberry (D-Memphis) wonders if discrimination can even be proved 🤔

ARTICLE: [tnholler.com/2019/03/rep-de...](http://tnholler.com/2019/03/rep-de...)



“Prohibiting public universities from recognizing fraternities and sororities does a huge disservice to the overwhelming number of students that have a positive membership experience. Doing so does not solve systemic problems of alcohol abuse, sexual assault or hazing that occur within the college community or broader society. On the contrary, strong university recognition, which includes employing trained professionals that work with fraternities and sororities, is key in educating students and preventing problems from occurring in the first place.”

- Lynda Wiley, Executive Director of  
the Association of Fraternity/Sorority Advisors

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@AFPTN



State Rep. John DeBerry is honored today by Gov. Bill Lee for supporting Educational Choice for the past 24 years, and was awarded the Champion of Choice award by the Tennessee chapter of American Federation for Children.



4:00 PM · Jan 27, 2020 · [Sprinklr](#)



**Rep. Ron Gant**  
@RonGant

Rep. Ron Gant & Rep. John Deberry headed to meet with President Donald Trump in a few minutes.



1:20 PM · Mar 15, 2017 from [Legislative Plaza](#) · [Twitter for iPhone](#)



**J. Dylan Sandifer** @jdylan901 · Aug 3, 2016

Replying to @jdylan901

**John DeBerry** votes yes when the state leg. tried to make it more difficult to remove statues such as the Nathan Bedford Forrest statue.



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**John Edwards**

April 25, 2019 · 🌐



He will more than likely have opposition in the primary. You get voted out quickly when you don't support the people that you're representing.



TENNESSEAN.COM

**House Democrats meet to discuss repercussions for Rep. John DeBerry over voucher support**





The Tennessee Holler

April 30, 2019 · 🌐



As if we needed more evidence of Rep. John DeBerry, Jr. letting down constituents to curry favor with Republicans, he didn't even vote "NO" on the voter registration criminalization bill yesterday.

He voted "Present, not voting". #DeberryGottaGo

The Equity Alliance

## HOUSE

### Floor and Committee Votes

HB1079 by Rudd - FLOOR VOTE: MESSAGE CALENDAR 2 3 AND 9 CONCUR IN SENATE AMENDMENTS 4/29/2019

Passed

Ayes.....	72
Noes.....	25
Present and not voting.....	1

Representatives voting aye were: Baum, Boyd, Bricken, Byrd, Calfee, Carr, Carter, Cepicky, Cochran, Coley, Crawford, Curcio, Daniel, Doggett, Dunn, Eldridge, Faison, Farmer, Gant, Garrett, Griffey, Halford, Hall, Haston, Hawk, Hazlewood, Helton, Hicks, Hill M, Hill T, Holsclaw, Holt, Howell, Hulsey, Hurt, Johnson C, Keisling, Kumar, Lafferty, Lamberth, Leatherwood, Littleton, Lynn, Marsh, Moon, Ogles, Powers, Ragan, Ramsey, Reedy, Rudd, Rudder, Russell, Sanderson, Sexton C, Sexton J, Sherrell, Smith, Sparks, Terry, Tillis, Todd, Travis, Van Huss, Vaughan, Weaver, White, Whitson, Williams, Wright, Zachary, Mr. Speaker Casada – 72.

Representatives voting no were: Beck, Camper, Chism, Clemmons, Cooper, Dixie, Freeman, Hakeem, Hardaway, Hodges, Jernigan, Johnson G, Lamar, Love, Miller, Mitchell, Parkinson, Potts, Powell, Shaw, Staples, Stewart, Thompson, Towns, Windle – 25.

Representatives present and not voting were: DeBerry – 1.





Future901

March 20 at 8:48 PM · 🌐



In the August primary, we are likely to still be in a pandemic. Despite that, you will get to wait in line and then use a grubby touch screen to vote. You could easily vote by mail and avoid that, but folks like Representatives Chris Hurt, Tom Leatherwood and Mark White say otherwise. Oh, and we noticed John DeBerry failed to show for this vote too.

## ▶ HOW THE STATE HOUSE VOTED

# Universal Voting by Mail

Amendment #6, by state Rep. Gloria Johnson (D-Knoxville), would have allowed all eligible voters in Tennessee to vote by mail in state and federal elections.

**69** "AYE"  
TO DEFEAT AMEND #6

Baum, Boyd, Bricken, Byrd, Calfee, Carr, Carter, Casada, Cepicky, Cochran, Crawford, Curcio, Daniel, Doggett, Dunn, Eldridge, Faison, Farmer, Gant, Garrett, Griffey, Halford, Hall, Haston, Hawk, Hazlewood, Helton, Hicks, Hill M, Hill T, Holsclaw, Holt, Howell, Hurt, Johnson C, Keisling, Kumar, Lafferty, Lamberth, Leatherwood, Littleton, Lynn, Marsh, Moody, Moon, Ogles, Powers, Ramsey, Reedy, Rudd, Rudder, Russell, Sexton J, Sherrell, Smith, Sparks, Tillis, Todd, Travis, Van Huss, Vaughan, Weaver, White, Whitson, Williams, Wright, Zachary, Mr. Speaker Sexton C

**20** "NO"  
TO CONTINUE DEBATE

Beck, Chism, Clemmons, Dixie, Freeman, Hakeem, Hardaway, Hodges, Johnson G, Lamar, Love, Mitchell, Parkinson, Potts, Powell, Staples, Stewart, Thompson, Towns, Windle

Notes: HB2821 by Lamberth - House Floor Vote - Appropriations Calendar - Motion to Lay on the Table - Amendment #6 by Rep. Gloria Johnson - 3/19/2020



# HB 1280 - Amends State Medicaid Funding - Voting Record

Tennessee House

Date: May 2, 2019  
 Issues: Entitlements and the Safety Net, Health and Health Care  
 Bill: Amends State Medicaid Funding

Roll Number: None  
 Yea: 63 Nay: 19  
 Conference Report Adopted (House)

**Vote Result**



**Yea Votes**



**Nay Votes**



State	District	Name	Party	Vote
TN	1	Rep. John K. Crawford	Republican	Yea
TN	2	Rep. Charles 'Bud' Hulsey	Republican	Yea
TN	3	Rep. Timothy Hill	Republican	Yea
TN	6	Rep. James 'Micah' Van Huss	Republican	Yea
TN	7	Rep. Matthew Hill	Republican	Yea
TN	8	Rep. Jerome Moon	Republican	Yea
TN	9	Rep. Gary W. Hicks Jr.	Republican	Yea
TN	11	Rep. Jeremy Falson	Republican	Yea
TN	12	Rep. Dale Carr	Republican	Yea
TN	13	Rep. Gloria Johnson	Democratic	Nay
TN	14	Rep. Jason Zachary	Republican	Yea
TN	15	Rep. Rick Staples	Democratic	Nay
TN	16	Rep. Bill Dunn	Republican	Yea
TN	17	Rep. Andrew E. Farmer	Republican	Yea
TN	18	Rep. Martin B. Daniel	Republican	Yea
TN	19	Rep. Dave Wright	Republican	Yea
TN	20	Rep. Robert L. 'Bob' Ramsey	Republican	Yea
TN	21	Rep. Lowell Russell	Republican	Yea
TN	22	Rep. Dan Howell	Republican	Yea
TN	23	Rep. Mark Cochran	Republican	Yea
TN	24	Rep. Mark Hall	Republican	Yea
TN	25	Rep. Cameron Sexton	Republican	Yea
TN	26	Rep. Robin Smith	Republican	Yea
TN	27	Rep. Patsy Hazlewood	Republican	Yea
TN	28	Rep. Yusuf A. Hakeem	Democratic	Nay
TN	29	Rep. Mike Carter	Republican	Yea
TN	30	Rep. Esther Helton	Republican	Yea
TN	31	Rep. Ron Travis	Republican	Yea
TN	32	Rep. Kent Calfee	Republican	Yea
TN	33	Rep. John D. Ragan Jr.	Republican	Yea
TN	34	Rep. Tim Rudd	Republican	Yea
TN	35	Rep. Jerry Sexton	Republican	Yea
TN	36	Rep. Dennis H. Powers	Republican	Yea
TN	39	Rep. Iris Rudder	Republican	Yea
TN	40	Rep. Terri Lynn Weaver	Republican	Yea
TN	41	Rep. John Mark Windle	Democratic	Nay
TN	43	Rep. Paul Sherrell	Republican	Yea
TN	44	Rep. William G. Lamberth	Republican	Yea
TN	45	Rep. Johnny C. Garrett	Republican	Yea
TN	46	Rep. Clark Boyd	Republican	Yea
TN	47	Rep. B. Rush Bricken	Republican	Yea
TN	48	Rep. Bryan Terry	Republican	Yea
TN	50	Rep. Bo Mitchell	Democratic	Nay
TN	51	Rep. Carson 'Bill' Beck	Democratic	Nay
TN	52	Rep. Michael 'Mike' Stewart	Democratic	Nay
TN	53	Rep. Jason Powell	Democratic	Nay
TN	55	Rep. John Ray Clemmons	Democratic	Nay
TN	57	Rep. Susan M. Lynn	Republican	Yea
TN	58	Rep. Harold M. Love Jr.	Democratic	Nay
TN	60	Rep. Darren S. Jernigan	Democratic	Nay
TN	61	Rep. Brandon Ogles	Republican	Yea
TN	62	Rep. Pat Marsh	Republican	Yea
TN	63	Rep. Glen Casada	Republican	Yea
TN	64	Rep. Scott E. Cepicky	Republican	Yea
TN	65	Rep. Sam Whitson	Republican	Yea
TN	66	Rep. Sabi 'Doc' Kumar	Republican	Yea
TN	68	Rep. Curtis G. Johnson	Republican	Yea
TN	69	Rep. Michael G. Curcio	Republican	Yea
TN	70	Rep. Clay Doggett	Republican	Yea
TN	71	Rep. David 'Coach' Byrd	Republican	Yea
TN	73	Rep. Chris Todd	Republican	Yea
TN	74	Rep. Jay D. Reedy	Republican	Yea
TN	76	Rep. Andrew H. 'Andy' Holt	Republican	Yea
TN	77	Rep. Charles W. 'Bill' Sanderson III	Republican	Yea
TN	78	Rep. Mary Littleton	Republican	Yea
TN	79	Rep. Curtis Halford	Republican	Yea
TN	80	Rep. Johnny W. Shaw	Democratic	Yea
TN	81	Rep. Debra Moody	Republican	Yea
TN	82	Rep. Chris Hurt	Republican	Yea
TN	83	Rep. Mark White	Republican	Yea
TN	84	Rep. Joe Towns Jr.	Democratic	Nay
TN	85	Rep. Jesse Chism	Democratic	Nay
TN	86	Rep. Barbara Ward Cooper	Democratic	Nay
TN	87	Rep. Karen D. Camper	Democratic	Nay
TN	88	Rep. Larry J. Miller	Democratic	Nay
TN	90	Rep. John J. DeBerry Jr.	Democratic	Did Not Vote
TN	92	Rep. Thomas Rick Tillis	Republican	Yea
TN	93	Rep. G. A. Hardaway Sr.	Democratic	Nay
TN	94	Rep. Ron M. Gant	Republican	Yea
TN	96	Rep. Dwayne Thompson	Democratic	Nay
TN	97	Rep. Jim Coley	Republican	Yea
TN	98	Rep. Antonio "2 Shay" Parkinson	Democratic	Nay
TN	99	Rep. Tom Leatherwood	Republican	Yea

**JOHN J. DEBERRY, JR.**  
**Tennessee Key Votes**

05/02/2019	Amends State Medicaid Funding	Did Not Vote	^
04/11/2019	Amends State Medicaid Funding	Did Not Vote	v
04/01/2019	Authorizes Adoption Agencies to Deny Potential Parents Based on Religious Exemption	NA	v
03/25/2019	Prohibits Local Governments from Regulating, Restricting, or Banning Auxiliary Containers	Did Not Vote	v
03/25/2019	Prohibits Local Governments from Regulating, Restricting, or Taxing Auxiliary Containers	Did Not Vote	v
04/23/2019	Authorizes Education Savings Account Vouchers	Yes	v
04/17/2019	Repeals City Police Oversight Boards Subpoena Power	Yes	v
03/07/2019	Prohibits Abortion After a Fetal Heartbeat is Detected	Yes	v

04/19/2018	Authorizes 'Monument to the Unborn'	<b>Yes</b>	▼
03/29/2018	Reorganizes University of Tennessee Board of Trustees	<b>Yes</b>	▼
03/12/2018	Establishes Tax on Gentleman's Clubs	<b>Did Not Vote</b>	▼
03/12/2018	Prohibits State Funding for Abortions	<b>Did Not Vote</b>	▼
02/12/2018	Requires Ultrasound Prior to Abortion	<b>Yes</b>	▼
02/01/2018	Authorizes 'Monument to the Unborn'	<b>Co-sponsor</b>	▼
04/19/2017	Establishes Gas Tax Increase	<b>Did Not Vote</b>	▼
04/06/2016	Authorizes Therapists to Decline to Provide Services	<b>Yes</b>	▼
03/28/2016	Limits Liquor Retailers to 2 Stores	<b>Did Not Vote</b>	▼
03/14/2016	Authorizes Voters to Petition for De-annexation Elections	<b>Did Not Vote</b>	▼

*Links for additional resources:*

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rWJAOIgmovQ>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=f17qvRlaVNo>

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gv250\\_76R1U](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gv250_76R1U)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xhHfOFjjDVs&t=40s>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=jMEYZEqqVJs>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mxnxfS8DZ2w>

<https://www.memphisflyer.com/JacksonBaker/archives/2017/03/10/john-deberry-an-outlier-on-vouchers>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gACC9-pz-0k>

<https://www.the74million.org/article/tennessee-legislators-look-for-first-voucher-law-with-targeted-program-for-memphis-kids/>

<http://tnedreport.com/tag/john-deberry/>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ct4QiUVSe8M&t=116s>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vFRqfGNc1gY&t=16s>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Nk8IfOi9Cok>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7cOR6NyUXrg>

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lONEz\\_T5488](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=lONEz_T5488)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=u0IcCGMtvV0>

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3lccYAwXrMk>

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*Tennessee Republican Prayer Caucus – John J. DeBerry, Jr. the only Democrat invited and in attendance. January 17, 2020*



**\*\*Please find attached TNDP Vision info page and John J. DeBerry, Jr. does not align with most of the Vision.\*\***



## Our Vision

Tennessee Democrats know Tennessee voters are looking for a clear agenda that provides for economic opportunity. We know that Tennessee voters want a reason to feel good about the future. We know that Tennessee voters want their elected officials to have their back — no matter who you are, what they look like, or where you live.

Tennessee Democrats are fighting for A BETTER FUTURE for you and your family:

- *Where our children have the opportunity to receive a high-quality public education that fits their vision for a better future including universal Pre-K programs, affordable college, and career and technical education pathways.*
- *Where everyone can afford healthcare and medicine and has access to a doctor and a nearby emergency room – Medicaid expansion and no more rural hospital closures.*
- *Where a growing economy creates good-paying jobs so that you can all pursue your dreams, educate your children, and live and retire with security.*
- Partnerships between businesses and working families that create good-paying jobs and sustain economic growth and opportunity.
- Make it easier for businesses to interact with government, make investments, create jobs, hire more workers, and increase wages – and we will hold them accountable if they break their promise to do so.
- Investment in our kids, our schools, our roads, bridges and public transport systems, our workers, and our businesses. We are committed to strengthening job creation and the economy to build a better future for all.
- Invest in a rural economy that is built to last
- A well-run and fiscally responsible government that is not intrusive, oppressive, or wasteful.
- Common sense regulations that protect our children, the air we breathe, the water we drink, and our treasured public lakes, rivers, mountains, and caves.



- The protection of every Tennessean from discrimination or injustice for any reason or at any time on the basis of race, ethnicity, national origin, language, religion, gender, sexual orientation, gender identity, or disability.
- We will have your back no matter who you are, what you look like, or where you live