



**OPPO DUMP:  
VULNERABLE FLORIDA  
REPUBLICANS ON LGBTQ EQUALITY**

## CHUCK CLEMONS

Representative Clemons has used his time in the State House to block anti-discrimination laws and allow dangerous conversion therapy on LGBTQ children.

### Legislative Action

Voted to:

- ✓ Block local anti-discrimination regulations [[HB 3](#)]
- ✓ Allow conversion therapy on children [[HB 537](#), in committee]
- ✓ Allow schools to out LGBTQ children to their parents [[HB 1059](#)]

### Positions

Agreed that “governments should not discriminate against individuals, organizations or small businesses because of their belief that marriage is only a union of one man and one woman.” [iVoterGuide questionnaire, [2018](#)]

Agreed that “governments should define marriage as between one man and one woman; no other definition of marriage should be legalized or supported with taxpayer or public funds.” [iVoterGuide questionnaire, [2018](#)]

Disagreed that “people should be allowed to use public restrooms, showers, and changing rooms based on ‘gender identity.’” [iVoterGuide questionnaire, [2018](#)]

## JASON BRODEUR

Former Representative Jason Brodeur used his chairship on the Health Innovation subcommittee to kill a bill that would have banned dangerous conversion therapy for LGBTQ children. Brodeur also voted to allow adoption agencies to deny LGBTQ couples.

### They Said What?!

[Video] **Homosexuals are not a protected class.** [[4/02/15](#)]

### Legislative Action

Sponsored a bill to:

- ✓ Allow adoption agencies to deny LGBTQ adopters [[HB 7111](#)]

Voted to:

- ✓ Allow adoption agencies to deny LGTBQ adopters [[HB 7111](#)]

Killed bills to:

- ✓ Ban conversion therapy by licensed professionals on LGBTQ children [[HB 221](#)]

## Positions

Opposed legalizing adoption by same-sex couples. [Christian Coalition of Florida Voter Guide, [2010](#)]

## JUAN FERNANDEZ-BARQUIN

Representative Fernandez-Barquin voted to allow dangerous conversion therapy on children, opposed marriage equality, and opposed anti-discrimination laws, including trans-inclusive bathroom laws.

## Legislative Action

Voted to:

- ✓ Block local anti-discrimination regulations [[HB 3](#)]
- ✓ Allow conversion therapy on children [[HB 537](#), in committee]
- ✓ Allow schools to out LGBTQ children to their parents [[HB 1059](#)]

## Positions

Strongly agreed that “Governments should not discriminate against individuals, organizations or small businesses because of their belief that marriage is only a union of one man and one woman.” [iVoterGuide questionnaire, [2018](#)]

Strongly agreed that “Governments should define marriage as between one man and one woman; no other definition of marriage should be legalized or supported with taxpayer or public funds.” [iVoterGuide questionnaire, [2018](#)]

Strongly disagreed that “people should be allowed to use public restrooms, showers, and changing rooms based on ‘gender identity.’” [iVoterGuide questionnaire, [2018](#)]

## ELIZABETH FETTERHOFF

Representative Fetterhoff repeatedly voted against anti-discrimination laws, and to allow schools to out LGBTQ children to their parents, even if that would put the children in danger.

## Legislative Action

Voted to:

- ✓ Block local anti-discrimination regulations [[HB 3](#)]
- ✓ Prevent local governments from passing anti-discrimination in employment laws [[HB 847](#), in committee]
- ✓ Allow schools to out LGBTQ children to their parents [[HB 1059](#)]

## Positions

Strongly agreed that “Governments should not discriminate against individuals, organizations or small businesses because of their belief that marriage is only a union of one man and one woman.” [iVoterGuide questionnaire, [2018](#)]

Strongly disagreed that “people should be allowed to use public restrooms, showers, and changing rooms based on ‘gender identity.’” [iVoterGuide questionnaire, [2018](#)]

## CHIP LAMARCA

Representative LaMarca has spent his time in the State House blocking anti-discrimination laws and voting to allow schools to out LGBTQ children to their parents.

### Legislative Action

Voted to:

- ✓ Block local governments from protecting LGBTQ employees from discrimination [[HB 305](#), in committee]
- ✓ Block local anti-discrimination regulations [[HB 3](#)]
- ✓ Allow schools to out LGBTQ children to their parents [[HB 1059](#)]

## BRYAN AVILA

Representative Avila voted twice to allow adoption agencies to deny LGBTQ couples, opposed anti-discrimination laws, and supported allowing schools to out LGBTQ children.

### Legislative Action

Voted to:

- ✓ Block local anti-discrimination regulations [[HB 3](#)]
- ✓ Allow schools to out LGBTQ children to their parents [[HB 1059](#)]
- ✓ Allow adoption agencies to deny LGTBQ adopters [[HB 7111](#)]
- ✓ Block repealing Florida’s ban on adoption by LGBTQ couples [[HB 7013](#)]

### Who Are They Paying?

**August 2014: Avila Paid \$500 To The Christian Family Coalition For “Campaign [sic] Ad.”** [Bryan Avila Expenditure Records, transaction date 8/8/14];

## ANA MARIA RODRIGUEZ

Representative Rodriguez voted twice to block local anti-discrimination laws. She also opposed marriage equality and trans-inclusive bathroom policies.

### Legislative Action

Voted to:

- ✓ Block local governments from protecting LGBTQ employees from discrimination [[HB 305](#), in committee]
- ✓ Block local anti-discrimination regulations [[HB 3](#)]
- ✓ Allow schools to out LGBTQ children to their parents [[HB 1059](#)]

## Positions

Opposed “men in women’s bathrooms.” [Christian Family Coalition, 2018 General Elections Collier Voter Guide, [2018](#)]

Agreed that “Governments should not discriminate against individuals, organizations or small businesses because of their belief that marriage is only a union of one man and one woman.” [iVoterGuide questionnaire, [2018](#)]

## Who Are They Paying?

**December 2019: Ana Maria Rodriguez Paid \$250 To The Christian Family Coalition For “Advertising.”** [Ana Maria Rodriguez Expenditure Records, transaction date 12/16/19]

**October 2018: Ana Maria Rodriguez Paid \$1,000 To The Christian Family Coalition For “Candidate Banquet.”** [Ana Maria Rodriguez Expenditure Records, transaction date 10/26/18]

**June 2017: Ana Maria Rodriguez Paid \$100 To The Christian Family Coalition For “Legislative Breakfast.”** [Ana Maria Rodriguez Expenditure Records, transaction date 6/24/17]

## JACKIE TOLDEO

Representative Toldeo opposed marriage equality and voted twice to block anti-discrimination laws.

## Legislative Action

Voted to:

- ✓ Block local anti-discrimination regulations [[HB 3](#)]
- ✓ Allow schools to out LGBTQ children to their parents [[HB 1059](#)]

## Positions

Strongly agreed that “Governments should define marriage as between one man and one woman; no other definition of marriage should be legalized or supported with public funds.” [iVoterGuide questionnaire, [2016](#)]

## ANTHONY RODRIGUEZ

Representative Rodriguez voted twice to block anti-discrimination laws set by cities and counties around Florida. He also voted to allow schools to out LGBTQ students to their parents, potentially endangering them.

## Legislative Action

Voted to:

- ✓ Block local governments from protecting LGBTQ employees from discrimination [[HB 305](#), in committee]
- ✓ Block local anti-discrimination regulations [[HB 3](#)]

- ✓ Allow schools to out LGBTQ children to their parents [[HB 1059](#)]

## Who Are They Paying?

**December 2019: Anthony Rodriguez Paid \$250 To The Christian Family Coalition For “Advertising.”** [Anthony Rodriguez Contribution Records, transaction date 12/16/19]

## MIKE CARUSO

Representative Caruso opposed anti-discrimination laws and voted to allow schools to out LGBTQ students to their parents, even if that could put the children in danger.

## Legislative Action

Voted to:

- ✓ Block local anti-discrimination regulations [[HB 3](#)]
- ✓ Allow schools to out LGBTQ children to their parents [[HB 1059](#)]

## Positions

**Opposed “men in women’s bathrooms.”** [Christian Family Coalition, 2018 General Elections Palm Beach Voter Guide, [2018](#)]

## VANCE ALOUPIS

Representative Aloupis voted to block local anti-discrimination laws and to allow schools to out LGBTQ students, even if it placed them in danger.

## Legislative Action

Voted to:

- ✓ Block local anti-discrimination regulations [[HB 3](#)]
- ✓ Allow schools to out LGBTQ children to their parents [[HB 1059](#)]

## DANIEL PEREZ

Representative Perez voted to block local anti-discrimination laws and to allow schools to out LGBTQ students to their parents, potentially putting them in danger.

## Legislative Action

Voted to:

- ✓ Block local anti-discrimination regulations [[HB 3](#)]
- ✓ Allow schools to out LGBTQ children to their parents [[HB 1059](#)]

## Who Are They Paying?

**December 2019: Perez Paid \$500 To The Christian Family Coalition For “Christmas Gala Ad.”** [Daniel A. Perez Contribution Records, transaction date 12/19/19]

**July 2013: The Executive Director Of The Christian Family Coalition Said That The Miami-Dade County Commission Wanted To “Pass A Dangerous Law That Will Force All Places To Open Bathrooms And Dressing Rooms To ‘Transsexuals.’”**

According to the Miami New Times, “While Miami-Dade residents are gearing up to celebrate American Independence, the Christian Family Coalition is making sure one group of people don't get to enjoy life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. In response to a proposed amendment to the county's human rights ordinance that would protect transgender folks from discrimination, Coalition executive director Anthony Vedrugo is rallying his Holier-Than-Thou band of racists to show up for the commission's Health & Social Services Committee hearing on July 8 when the measure will be discussed publicly. Verdugo fired off emails on Wednesday to his ‘Christian’ brothers and sisters, warning them the Miami-Dade County Commission ‘wants to pass a dangerous law that will force all places to open bathrooms and dressing rooms to ‘transsexuals.’” [Miami New Times, 7/4/13] **The Christian Family Coalition Filed An Amicus Brief With The Supreme Court Of The United States Arguing That Employers Should Be Able To Discriminate Against Their Employees For Being Transgender Or Gay.** According to Florida Politics, “The [Christian Family] Coalition also filed a legal brief at the Supreme Court siding in a case with employers who want the right to fire employees for being gay or transgender.” [Florida Politics, 12/4/19]