

Gun Rights Supporters:

Below are the 2026 General Election GRNC Political Victory Candidate Recommendations. Please understand that in analyzing 189 races, there are bound to be errors. Please report any you see to DirectorOfDevelopment@GRNC.org. We have an unfortunate trend this year in Republicans without gun-related voting records failing to return surveys, even in open seat races in the “tossup” category. If that applies to candidates in your district, contact them and ask why they failed to return GRNC’s survey despite having **two** opportunities to submit it.

The other unfortunate trend we see is the number of uncontested Democrats. Yes, those are in heavily Democrat districts deliberately drawn to maximize Republican representation the legislature, but the Democrats have done a fine job of fielding candidates in nearly all Republican districts, forcing Republicans in “leaning Republican” or “likely Republican” districts to spend money that could otherwise be allocated to critical races.

Thanks to mid-term Congressional redistricting, we have two pivotal races: The 1st District with Republican Laurie Buckhout trying to unseat Democrat Don Davis, and the 11th District, where Republican Jennifer Capps Balkcom is defending the seat held by Chuck Edwards who, facing ethics complaints, dropped out at the last minute. Both are considered tossups.

In the General Assembly, we are trying to retain at least the near-super-majority capable of overriding anti-gun Governor Josh Stein’s vetoes, with 7 pivotal races in the NC Senate and as many as 26 pivotal races in the NC House.

The problem we face is that **GRNC-PVF cannot afford to do independent expenditures (mailings, automated phone alerts, automated text alerts, radio spots or geo-fencing) in that many races.** If you can help, please go to:

grnc.org/wp/2012/08/donate-to-grnc-pvf/

Or to buy tickets for the Springfield Kuna, go to:

grnc.org/wp/2025/12/grnc-pvf-2026-raffle/

Please accept my personal thanks for your support.

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2026 GRNC-PVF General Election Candidate Recommendations

Voter registration ends Oct. 9, but you can still register and vote early on the same day until Oct. 31!

Candidate recommendations versus evaluations: Below are recommendations for effective voting strategies by the Grass Roots North Carolina Political Victory Fund. Candidate **recommendations**, which are more limited than blanket “endorsements,” are **not made in all races**, only in races where a clear pro-gun candidate stands out or where strategic voting is necessary to keep anti-gun candidates out of office.

Recommendations differ from GRNC candidate evaluations. While the evaluations are intended to provide an objective measure of where candidates stand on Second Amendment issues, GRNC-PVF recommendations are analytical and therefore subject to interpretation.

Note: As an addition to the instructions for the 2024 GRNC Remember in November voter guide and accompanying candidate evaluations, the increased numbers of parties on the ballot now require a legend to identify party abbreviations: In addition to the usual “R” (Republican) and “D” (Democrat), “C” is Constitution Party, “G” is Green Party, “L” is Libertarian Party, “J” is Justice for All Party, and “W” is We the People Party.

For a full listing and explanation of GRNC’s objective star evaluations, go to:

<https://grnc.org/wp/2014/04/2026-candidate-evaluations/>

For an online (and downloadable pdf) version of GRNC-PVF candidate recommendations, go to:

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Important notes:

1. **Candidates who lack voting records or other history on Second Amendment issues and who fail to return GRNC’s candidate survey automatically receive a 0-star evaluation** on the assumption that they are hiding their position from gun voters. Every election year, we receive complaints about ostensibly pro-gun candidates who receive zero star evaluations due to failure to return the survey. Each candidate is mailed a survey to the address he or she registered with the State Board of Elections. **If they fail to return the survey, we cannot help candidates who will not help themselves.**
2. **GRNC-PVF candidate recommendations are NOT blanket endorsements.** We have analyzed roughly 200 races across the state. Unless otherwise stipulated, GRNC does not evaluate candidates on issues other than support for the Second Amendment. A GRNC-PVF recommendation does NOT reflect the candidate’s stance on other issues, and it does not reflect likelihood of winning a given race. The recommendation is merely our estimate of which candidate in a given race is most pro-gun.
3. **GRNC-PVF candidate recommendations are not given in all races.** They are given only for races in which there are clear differences between the Second Amendment stances of candidates are generally not provided for races in which a candidate is unopposed.
4. **Candidate evaluation listings:** After each candidate’s name, his or her survey score, voting record (if applicable), and record of bill sponsorship is placed in parentheses along with their GRNC star evaluation (e.g. ****). “NR” indicates the candidate refused to return GRNC’s survey. Survey scores, voting records, and bill support are expressed in percent (e.g. “survey: 92%” is a concurrence with the control group of 92%). If the candidate lacks a voting record, he or she gets a 0-star evaluation on

the presumption that they are hiding their position. **[Note: If candidates in your district show “NR” for the survey, ask them why they didn’t return the GRNC survey.]**

5. **Recommended candidates:** Recommended candidates’ names are printed in bold, upper case font (e.g. JOE SMITH).
6. **Vote all races:** Although some races might appear to be unrelated to 2nd Amendment interests, you should vote against anti-2A candidates in order to stunt their political careers, regardless of the race.
7. **GRNC recommends that you vote early:** Use absentee ballots if you must, but the optimal voting strategy is in-person early voting as described below.

HAVE YOU MOVED RECENTLY? (Or not voted recently?)

NC recently removed 750,000 voters from its rolls. Does that include you? Check your voter registration at:

<https://vt.ncsbe.gov/RegLkup/>

Registering to vote

Option 1: Register in-person at your county Board of Elections office or mail registration forms to arrive by Oct. 9, at 5:00 PM. Forms are available at Board of Elections offices, county libraries, county offices, or online at [ncsbe.gov/registering/how-register](https://vt.ncsbe.gov/registering/how-register) by clicking on “Registering,” then selecting the dropdown menu for “Registering” to select the appropriate option.

Option 2: Register at DMV offices or state agencies which dispense benefits (e.g. DSS, WIC, ESC, etc.).

Option 3: Register and vote on the same day, including updating voter info (e.g. address changes) by using “same day registration” and voting between Oct. 15 and Oct. 31 as described below. To find your early voting site, go to: vt.ncsbe.gov/EVSite/. For more info on early voting, go to: [ncsbe.gov/registering/how-register/register-person-during-early-voting](https://vt.ncsbe.gov/registering/how-register/register-person-during-early-voting)

Note: If you are a DMV customer with a NC driver’s license or DMV-issued ID, you may now register to vote or change certain parts of your registration online. Using this service existing DMV customers may register to vote, update their voter registration address, or update their party affiliation. For information: [ncsbe.gov/Voters/Registering-to-Vote](https://vt.ncsbe.gov/Voters/Registering-to-Vote)

General Election deadlines

- **Oct. 9:** Deadline for voter registration is 5:00 PM. If you miss registration deadline you may still register and vote at the same time during the “same day registration” early voting period – Oct. 15 thru Oct. 31.
- **Oct. 15:** “Same-day registration” voting/registration begins.
- **Oct. 20:** Applications for absentee ballots must be received by 5:00 PM.
- **Oct. 31:** “One-stop” voting/registration ends at 3:00 PM.
- **Nov. 3: Election Day, polls open 6:30 AM until 7:30 PM.** (If you are in line by 7:30 PM, you can vote.) For polling place and sample ballot, go to: vt.ncsbe.gov/pplkup/
- **Nov. 3: Absentee ballot deadline:** Voted absentee ballots (placed inside the container-return envelope) must be returned to county board of elections **no later than 7:30 PM on Election Day.**

GRNC-PVF CANDIDATE RECOMMENDATIONS

Enhancements for 2026: GRNC-PVF candidate recommendations now provide the Cook Partisan Index for Congressional races or the Civitas Partisan Index for state races. A district of less than +4 on either side should be considered in play. Regardless of partisan index, GUN OWNERS MUST VOTE ALL RACES.

We are also including the Remember in November “Bill Support” percentage which reflects whether a legislator has offered pro-gun or anti-gun legislation and, for majority party leadership, their willingness to move pro-gun or anti-gun bills. The measure is often a good way to judge which legislators have gone above and beyond to support (or oppose) the Second Amendment.

FEDERAL RACES

US SENATE

GRNC-PVF strongly recommends Republican MICHAEL WHATLEY (survey: 100%, GRNC ***) over Democrat Roy Cooper (survey: NR, votes: 58%, GRNC 0-star) and Libertarian Shannon Bray (survey: 96%, ****). Roy Cooper has a long history of anti-gun advocacy stretching back to his days in the NC Senate and has vetoed numerous pro-gun bills as Governor. Add to that the issue of retaining Republican control of the US Senate, and this becomes a critical race. Regardless of what polls claim, get out and vote this race and bring like-minded friends and family.

US HOUSE

Like the US Senate, the US House is in play, with hard-core leftists of the Democrat Socialists of America poised to win races elsewhere in the US. Every vote will count in ALL of North Carolina's 14 Congressional districts, where mid-term redistricting MIGHT create a pickup in USH-01, but potentially at the cost of watering down other districts, particularly USH-11, where incumbent Chuck Edwards bailed at the last minute, leaving an open seat.

District 1: The race for this re-drawn R+5 district is considered in play and pits Republican challenger Laurie Buckhout (survey: 96%, ****) against anti-gun incumbent Democrat Don Davis (voting: 50%, 0-star) and Libertarian Tom Bailey (survey: 100%, ****). This district represents a potential pickup that could be critical for Republican control of the US House. **GRNC-PVF strongly recommends LAURIE BUCKHOUT.**

District 2: In this solidly Democrat (D+17) district, longtime anti-gun incumbent Deborah Ross (D-2, GRNC 0-star) is being challenged by Republican Eugene F. Douglass (survey: 97%, ****) and Libertarian Matthew Laszacs (survey: 100%, ****). **GRNC-PVF recommends EUGENE F. DOUGLASS.**

District 3: Mid-term redistricting has made this district less solidly Republican (R+6). **GRNC-PVF strongly recommends incumbent GREG MURPHY** (survey: 94%, voting: 93%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Raymond Smith (survey: NR, 0-star) and Libertarian Daniel Cavender (survey: 99%, ****).

District 4: In this D+23 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican MAHESH (MAX) GANORKAR** (survey: 100%, ****) over anti-gun incumbent Democrat Valerie Foushee (survey: NR, votes: 0%, bill support: 0%, 0-star) and Libertarian Guy Meilleur (survey: 63%, *).

District 5: In this R+9 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends incumbent VIRGINIA FOXX** (survey: 100%, votes: 95%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat challenger Chuck Hubbard (survey: NR, 0-star) and Libertarian Robert B. Luffman (survey: 100%, ****).

District 6: In this R+9 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends incumbent ADDISON MCDOWELL** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Cyril Jefferson (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 7: In this R+7 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican incumbent DAVID ROUZER** (survey: NR, votes: 93%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat challenger Kimberly Hardy (survey: NR, 0-star) and Libertarian Maad Abu-Ghazalah (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 8: In this R+10 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends incumbent MARK HARRIS** (survey: 98%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Colby Watson (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 9: In this R+8 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends incumbent RICHARD HUDSON** (survey: 98%, votes: 93%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Richard N. Ojeda II (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 10: In this R+9 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends incumbent PAT HARRIGAN** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, ****) – who is a gun manufacturer – over Democrat Ashley Bell (survey: NR, 0-star), Libertarian Steven Feldman (survey: 81%, ***).

District 11: This once safe Republican district, now only R+5 after mid-term redistricting, is now considered in play and critical to control of the US House after incumbent Chuck Edwards, facing an ethics investigation, dropped out of the race at the last minute. **GRNC-PVF strongly recommends Republican JENNIFER CAPPS BALKCOM** (votes: 100%, survey: 100%, ****) over Democrat Jamie Ager (survey: NR, 0-star) and Libertarian Travis Groo (survey: 95%, ****).

District 12: In this D+24 district, Republican challenger Jack Codiga (survey: NR, 0-star) failed to return GRNC's survey in his challenge of longtime anti-gun Democrat incumbent Alma Adams (survey: NR, votes: 0%, 0-star). GRNC-PVF has no recommendation in this race.

District 13: In the race for this R+8 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends incumbent Republican BRAD KNOTT** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Paul Barringer (survey: NR, 0-star) and Libertarian Steven Swinton (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 14: In the race for this R+8 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends incumbent TIM MOORE** (survey: 93%, votes: 100%, bill support: 81%, ****) over Democrat Lakesha Womack (survey: NR, 0-star).

STATE RACES

NC JUDICIAL RACES

You MUST vote judicial races. Winning NC Supreme Court and Court of Appeals in 2022 helped us defeat leftist attempts to manipulate the voting process through the courts.

NC Supreme Court (Seat 1): With a previous pro-gun voting record while in the NC House **GRNC-PVF strongly recommends Republican SARAH STEVENS** (survey: 75%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over incumbent leftist Democrat Anita Earls.

NC Court of Appeals (Seat 1): **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican MICHAEL C. BYRNE** over incumbent Democrat John S. Arrowood.

NC Court of Appeals (Seat 2): **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican GEORGE COOPER BELL** over incumbent Democrat Tobias (Toby) Hampson.

NC Court of Appeals (Seat 3): For this open seat, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican CRAIG COLLINS** over Democrat Christine Marie Walczyk.

NC SENATE

District 2: In this R+6 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican NORMAN SANDERSON** (survey: 91%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Roy Surrett (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 3: In this R+8 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican BOB BRINSON** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Charles Dudley (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 4: Because he was one of the architects of Castle Doctrine, in this R+3 tossup district, **GRNC-PVF strongly recommends Republican BUCK NEWTON** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Jessica (Jess) Rivera (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 6: In this R+15 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican MICHAEL A. LAZARRA** (survey: NR, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Andi Morrow (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 7: **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican MICHAEL LEE** (survey: 75%, votes: 100%, ****) over Libertarian John Evans (survey: NR, 0-star) and Democrat Jessica Bichler (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 8: In this R+8 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican BILL RABON** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, bill support: 80%, ****) over Democrat Richard (Rick) Combes (survey: NR, 0-star) and Libertarian Tim White (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 9: In this R+1 tossup district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican BRENT JACKSON** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Helen Bronson (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 10: In this R+9 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican BENTON SAWREY** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Pat LeGrand (survey: NR, 0-star) and Libertarian Kevin Terrett (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 11: In this R+0 tossup district, **GRNC-PVF strongly recommends Republican LISA STONE BARNES** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over former NC House member and Democrat James D. Gailliard (survey: NR, votes: 33%, 0-star) and Libertarian Gavin Bell (survey: 100%, ****).

District 12: In this R+9 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican JIM BURGIN** (votes: 100%, bill support: 85%, ****), Tanya White Anderson (survey: 58%, 0-star).

District 13: In this D+4 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican ROBERT VAN BREDERODE** (survey: 100%, ****) over incumbent anti-gun Democrat Lisa Grafstein (votes: 0%, bill support: 0%, 0-star).

District 15: In this D+19 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican DAVID BANKERT** (survey: 99%, ****) over anti-gun Democrat incumbent Jay Chaudhuri (survey: NR, votes: 6%, bill support: 0%, 0-star).

District 16: In this D+18 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican PHILIP HENSLEY** (survey: 100%, ****) over anti-gun Democrat incumbent Gale Adcock (survey: NR, votes: 8%, bill support: 0%, 0-star) and Libertarian Jonathan D. Miller (survey: 100%, ****).

District 17: In this D+15 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican SHIRLEY JOHNSON** (survey: 95%, ****) over anti-gun incumbent Democrat Mrs. Sydney Batch (votes: 0%, bill support: 0%, 0%, ****) and Libertarian Patrick J. Bowersox (survey: 96%, ****).

District 18: For this D+0 tossup race, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican CHRIS STOCK** (survey: 99%, ****) over incumbent Democrat Haseeb Fatmi (survey: NR, 0-star) and Libertarian Brad Hessel (survey: 93%, ****).

District 19: For this D+16 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican VENUS DE LA CRUZ** (survey: 97%, ****) over anti-gun incumbent Democrat Val Applewhite (survey: NR, votes: 0%, bill support: 0%, 0-star).

District 21: In this R+10 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican TOM MCINNIS** (survey: 96%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Paul Taylor (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 24: In this R+4 district, **GRNC-PVF strongly recommends Republican DANNY EARL BRITT JR.** (survey: 95%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Catina Hamm (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 25: In this R+9 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican AMY S. GALEY** (survey: 91%, votes: 100% ****) over Democrat Southey Blanton (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 26: In this R+9 race for an open seat due to the defeat of incumbent Phil Berger, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican SAM PAGE** (survey: 94%, ****) over Democrat Steve Luking (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 29: In this R+17 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican DAVE CRAVEN** (survey: NR, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Bob Morrison (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 30: In this R+22 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican STEVE JARVIS** (survey: 97%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Pamela D. McAfee (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 31: In this R+10 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican DANA CAUDILL JONES** (survey: 95%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Andy Bowline (survey: 100%, ****).

District 33: In this R+19 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican CARL FORD** (survey: 99%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Gary R. Weart (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 34: In the race for this important R+2 (tossup) open seat, **GRNC-PVF recommends former NC House Republican KEVIN CRUTCHFIELD** (survey: 90%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat April Cook (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 35: In this R+12 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican TODD JOHNSON** (survey: 96%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Christine E. Winward (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 36: In this R+27 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican EDDIE SETTLE** (survey: 99%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Trevor Cole Hardwick (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 37: In this R+12 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican VICKIE SAWYER** (survey: 98%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Raygan J. Angel (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 40: In this D+27 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican BOBBY SHIELDS** (survey: 95%, ****) over incumbent anti-gun Democrat Joyce Waddell (survey: NR, votes: 0%, 0-star).

District 42: In this D+2 tossup district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican STACIE MCGINN** (survey: 94%, ****) over anti-gun Democrat incumbent Mrs. Woodson Bradley (survey: NR, votes: 0%, bill support: 0%, 0-star).

District 43: In this R+9 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican BRAD OVERCASH** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Steve Rutherford (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 44: In this R+19 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican TED ALEXANDER** (survey: 99%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Rod Powell (survey: 66%, *).

District 45: In this R+20 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican MARK HOLLO** (survey: 98%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Greg Cranford (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 46: In this R+14 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican WARREN DANIEL** (survey: 95%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Kyle Whisnant (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 47: In this R+12 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican RALPH HISE** (survey: 99%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Frank Patton Hughes III (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 48: In this R+12 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican TIM MOFFITT** (survey: 98%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Doyle G. Brown, Jr. (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 50: In this R+13 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican KEVIN CORBIN** (survey: 95%, votes: 100%, bill support: 85%, ****) over Democrat Tom Downing (survey: NR, 0-star).

NC HOUSE

District 1: In this R+13 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican EDWARD C. GOODWIN** (survey: 93%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Claude (Dorsey) Harris (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 3: In this R+8 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican STEVE TYSON** (survey: 91%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Diannia Bright (survey: NR, 0-star) and Libertarian Angela Humphries (survey: 96%, ****).

District 4: Ordinarily, incumbent Republican Jimmy Dixon (survey: 100%, votes: 97%, bill support: 100%, ****) in this R+10 race would get the nod over Democrat challenger Vernon Moore (survey: 36%, 0-star). But Dixon was overheard in Republican caucus to say he would vote against the veto override for SB 50, “Freedom to Carry NC”. Consequently, **GRNC-PVF has no recommendation in this race.**

District 5: In this tossup R+2 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican BILL WARD** (survey: 99%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Sam Davis (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 6: In this R+9 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican JOE PIKE** (survey: NR, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Tony Spears (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 7: In this R+4 district for a winnable open seat, no candidate returned a survey. Consequently, **GRNC-PVF has no recommendation in this race.** If you live in this district, ask the candidates why they didn’t return the GRNC survey.

District 9: In this R+3 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican TIMOTHY REEDER** (survey: NR, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Claire Kempner (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 10: In this R+7 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican JOHN BELL** (survey: NR, votes: 100%, bill support: 94%, ****) over Democrat Zyaire Webb (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 11: In this D+17 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Libertarian MATTHEW KORDON** (survey: 94%, ****) over Democrat Allison Dahle (survey: NR, votes: 11%, bill support: 0%, 0-star).

District 12: In this tossup R+3 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican CHRIS HUMPHREY** (survey: 87%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Don Hardy (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 13: In this R+18 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican CELESTE CAIRNS** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Jason Moore (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 15: In this R+14 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican PHILLIP SHEPARD** (survey: 96%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Christopher Schulte (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 16: In this R+18 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican CARSON SMITH** (survey: 84%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Jim Harris (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 17: In this R+10 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican FRANK ILER** (survey: 91%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Dennis A. Breen (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 19: In this R+9 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican CHARLIE MILLER** (survey: NR, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Scott Nasiff (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 20: In this R+4 district for a winnable open seat, no candidate returned a survey. Consequently, **GRNC-PVF has no recommendation in this race.** If you live in this district, ask the candidates why they didn't return the GRNC survey.

District 24: In this tossup D+2 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican BLAKE BOYKIN** (survey: 96%, ****) over incumbent Democrat Dante Pittman (survey: NR, votes: 33%, 0-star).

District 25: In this tossup D+1 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican ALLEN CHESSER** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, bill support: 75%, ****) over Libertarian Nick Taylor (survey: NR, 0-star) and Democrat Lorenza M. Wilkins (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 26: In this R+4 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican DONNA MCDOWELL WHITE** (survey: 88%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat L'Bertrice Solomon (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 28: In this R+15 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican LARRY C. STRICKLAND** (survey: 99%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat D. Matthew Bailey (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 32: In this D+2 tossup race, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican FRANK SOSSAMAN** (survey: NR, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Curtis McRae (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 34: In this D+15 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Libertarian ED GEORGE** (survey: 89%, ***) over Democrat Tim Longest (survey: NR, votes: 0%, bill support: 0%, 0-star).

District 35: In this tossup R+0 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican MIKE SCHIETZELT** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Evonne S. Hopkins (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 37: In this endangered D+6 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends incumbent Republican ERIN PARE** (survey: 98%, voting: 100%, ****) over Democrat Winn Decker (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 39: In this D+15 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Libertarian WAYNE COCKRELL** (survey: 99%, ****) over Republican Jorge Cordova (survey: NR, 0-star) and incumbent Democrat James A. Roberson (survey: NR, votes: 6%, 0-star).

District 40: In this D+13 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Libertarian LUCAS EVERETT JONES** (survey: 100%, ****) over anti-gun incumbent Democrat Phil Rubin (survey: NR, votes: 0%, bill support: 0%, 0-star).

District 43: In this R+4 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican DIANE WHEATLEY** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Janene (Dublin) Ackles (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 46: In this R+14 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican BRENDON H. JONES** (survey: 94%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Brittany Newton (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 47: In this R+7 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican JOHN L. LOWERY** (survey: NR, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Eshonda Hooper (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 48: In this D+3 tossup district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican RALPH CARTER** (survey: 98%, ****) over incumbent Democrat Garland E. Pierce (survey: NR, votes: 20%, bill support: 0%, 0-star).

District 51: In the open seat race for this R+11 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican CHARLES M. TAYLOR** (survey: 100%, ****) over Democrat Tasherra Nichols McDuffie (survey: 72%, **).

District 52: In this R+8 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican BEN MOSS JR.** (survey: 95%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Joe Parfitt (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 53: In this R+11 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican HOWARD PENNY JR.** (survey: 83%, voting: 100%, ****) over Democrat Kevin G. Thurman (survey: NR, 0-star) and Libertarian Christopher Sessions (survey: 97, ****). It is important to note that the recommendation for Penny is based on reversal of his previous position, saying he now supports overriding Gov. Stein's veto of SB 50, "Freedom to Carry NC."

District 55: In the race for this R+11 open seat, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican CLANCY BAUCOM** (survey: 100%, ****) over Democrat John J. Kirkpatrick IV (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 56: In this D+36 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Libertarian MATTHEW P. CLEMENTS** (survey: 100%, ****) over incumbent Democrat Allen Buansi (survey: NR, votes: 0%, 0-star).

District 59: In this tossup R+3 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican ALAN BRANSON** (survey: 75%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Elma Hairston (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 60: In this D+14 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican JOSEPH PERROTTA** (survey: 100%, ****) over Democrat Amanda Cook (survey: NR, votes: 0%, 0-star).

District 62: In this tossup R+3 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican JOHN M. BLUST** (survey: 100%, voting: 82%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Shelly Headen (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 63: In this R+2 district for a winnable open seat, no candidate returned a survey. Consequently, **GRNC-PVF has no recommendation in this race.** If you live in this district, ask the candidates why they didn't return the GRNC survey.

District 65: In this R+16 race for an open seat, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican SETH WOODALL** (survey: 100%, ****) over Democrat Gavin McGaughey (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 67: In this R+22 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican CODY HUNEYCUTT** (survey: 98%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Jocelyn Torres (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 68: In this R+10 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican DAVID WILLIS** (survey: NR, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Derek Warriner (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 69: In this R+12 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican DEAN ARP** (survey: 100%, voting: 97%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Heidi Sinsley (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 70: In this R+24 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican BRIAN BIGGS** (survey: 100%, voting: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat William (Bill) McCaskill (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 73: In this R+1 tossup district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican JONATHAN ALMOND** (survey: 98%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Thomas J. Monks (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 74: In this R+3 tossup district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican JEFFREY ZENGER** (survey: 99%, voting: 100%, ****) over Democrat Amy Taylor North (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 75: In this R+4 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican DONNY C. LAMBETH** (survey: 90%, voting: 85%, ****) over Democrat Jen Wiles (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 77: In this R+25 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican JULIA CRAVEN HOWARD** (survey: 94%, voting: 95%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Sabrina Harris (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 78: In this R+24 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican NEAL JACKSON** (survey: 100%, voting: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Matt Borja (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 80: In this R+23 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican SAM WATFORD** (survey: 79%, voting: 100%, ***) over Democrat Jacquez Johnson (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 81: In this R+20 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican LARRY W. POTTS** (survey: 97%, voting: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Dylan R. Tucker (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 82: In this R+14 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican BRIAN ECHEVARRIA** (survey: 99%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Chris Bishopp (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 83: In this R+14 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican GRANT CAMPBELL** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Cortez Ferrell (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 84: In this R+16 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican JEFFREY C. MCNEELY** (survey: 90%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Chris E. Gilbert (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 85: In this R+16 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican DUDLEY GREENE** (survey: NR, votes: 94%, ****) over Democrat Suzanne Gavenus (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 86: In this R+18 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican HUGH BLACKWELL** (survey: 88%, votes: 80%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Wesley E. Hendrix (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 87: In this R+23 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican DESTIN HALL** (survey: 98%, votes: 100%, bill support: 89%, ****) over Democrat Iris Bender (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 89: In this R+23 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican MITCH SETZER** (survey: 98%, votes: 98%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Robert (Spider) Thompson (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 91: In this R+15 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican KYLE HALL** (survey: 93%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Lucille Puckett (survey: 63%, *).

District 93: In this R+6 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican RAY PICKET** (survey: 92%, voting: 100%, ****) over Democrat Charlie Wallin (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 94: In this R+27 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican BLAIR EDDINS** (survey: 96%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Andy Warren (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 95: In this R+13 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican RICHARD (TODD) CARVER** (survey: NR, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Michael Robinson (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 96: In this R+12 district, **GRNC-PVF strongly recommends Republican JAY ADAMS** (survey: 98%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Park Inglefield (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 97: In this R+21 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican HEATHER RHYNE** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Greg McBryde (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 98: In this D+1 tossup district, **GRNC-PVF strongly recommends former NC House member Republican JOHN RHODES** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Beth Gardner Helfrich (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 102: In this D+25 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican DANIEL SCHMIDT** (survey: 93%, ****) over anti-gun Democrat Becky Carney (votes: 11%, bill support: 0%, %, 0-star).

District 105: In this R+0 tossup district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican TRICIA ANN COTHAM** (recent votes: 71%, 0-star) over Democrat Ken McCool (survey: NR, 0-star). This might be the only time GRNC-PVF has ever recommended a 0-star candidate, but Senate Bill 41 (purchase permit repeal) passed because Cotham and two other Democrats helped override Cooper's veto by not voting, after which she received so many death threats from her own party that she switched to Republican. Since changing parties, Cotham has begun to vote pro-gun.

District 108: In this R+13 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican JOHN A. TORBETT** (survey: 90%, votes: 99%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Sydnie Hutchinson (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 109: In this R+6 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican DONNIE LOFTIS** (survey: 97%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Mark D. Carver (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 111: In this R+21 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican PAUL SCOTT** (survey: NR, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Jerry Blake (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 113: In this R+15 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican JAKE JOHNSON** (survey: 100%, votes: 100%, bill support: 100%, ****) over Democrat Mason Rhodes (survey: NR, 0-star).

District 115: In this D+1 district for a winnable tossup race against Democrat Lindsey Prather (survey: NR, votes: 0%, 0-star), Republican Anthony J. Penland failed to return a survey. Consequently, **GRNC-PVF has no recommendation in this race**. If you live in this district, ask Penland why he didn't return the GRNC survey.

District 119: In this winnable tossup (R+3) race for the open seat formerly held by pro-gun Mike Clampitt, Republican Anna Ferguson actively **refused** to answer GRNC's candidate survey, even hanging up the phone when asked to do so. Consequently, **GRNC-PVF recommends that gun voters do not vote in this race**. If you live in this district, ask Ferguson why she **refused** to return the GRNC survey.

District 120: In this R+23 district, **GRNC-PVF recommends Republican CARL GILLESPIE** (survey: 98%, votes: 100%, ****) over Democrat Caleb Brown (survey: NR, 0-star).

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