

## VOTES

### Senate - 2026 Legislative Session

**House Bill 1944 Blount Amendment** – Private School Funding. Amendment removes private school funding from the Children’s Promise Act, leaving foster care organizations and special purpose schools as the only schools eligible to participate. A “yea” vote on the amendment is a vote to end \$9-million in tax credit funding for private schools and redirect those tax credits to special purpose schools that serve specifically children with special needs. A “nay” vote on the amendment is a vote to deny increased funding for special purpose schools and instead maintain the current funding for private schools.

*The Parents’ Campaign favors a vote of yea on the amendment.*

Failed 3/17/26. Yeas: 24, Nays: 26, Absent: 0, Present/Not Voting: 2

**Yeas: 24**

Blackmon	Frazier	McMahan	Thomas
Blount	Gillespie-Isom	Michel	Turner-Ford
Brumfield	Hickman	Mumford	Williams
Bryan	Hopson	Norwood	
Butler	Jackson	Pope	
DeBar	Ladner	Simmons, Derrick	
DuPree	McLendon	Simmons, Sarita	

**Nays: 26**

Barrett	Johnson
Berry	Kirby
Blackwell	McCaughn
Boyd	Parks
Carter	Rhodes
Chassaniol	Sparks
Chism	Suber
DeLano	Tate
England	Taylor
Fillingane	Thompson
Harkins	Whaley
Hartness	Wiggins
Hill	Younger

**Absent: 0**

**Present/NV: 2**

Barnett  
Seymour