

**JANUARY-MARCH 2024** 

Dear Supporters and Partners,

I'm thrilled to share the remarkable progress Cicero Action has made in the first quarter of 2024. Our team has experienced remarkable growth, doubling in size since this time last year. Our reach has expanded, and we are now actively engaged in 22 states—twice as many states as before. We're proud to report that our efforts have resulted in significant legislative victories, surpassing our achievements in 2023.

Throughout the first quarter of 2024, your Cicero Action team has been tirelessly advancing more than 100 pieces of legislation across those 22 states. More than 70 percent of these bills are making substantial progress in their respective legislatures, with 15 already enacted into law. Our success rate stands in contrast to the national average, where fewer than 10 percent of introduced bills become law.

These reforms underscore our commitment to ensuring accountable and capable governance. We provide tangible solutions to address the homelessness crisis by aiding those in need and restoring order to communities. We are addressing the nationwide physician shortage to enhance healthcare access for all citizens. Our efforts also aim to improve public safety through measures of accountability and performance-driven funding. Additionally, we are improving the regulatory environment by limiting the ability of unaccountable bureaucrats to enact rules that unnecessarily hinder success. Finally, we are reaffirming the purpose of higher education and upholding the principles of meritocracy.

None of this would be possible without you! Please accept our deepest gratitude for your support and encouragement. Your contributions have empowered us to fulfill our mission of becoming one of the nation's most effective advocacy organizations for state-level change. We're honored to be recognized as trusted allies by lawmakers and governors across the country. None of this would be possible without your invaluable partnership.

Warm regards,

Bryan Sunderland Executive Director

# **Progress**



**Enacted** 



Sent to Governor

**Passed** both Legislative **Chambers** 

**Passed** Original Legislative Chamber

**Passed** Legislative Committee

Bills with Cicero Reforms Introduced



## IN THE STATES

# Impact

Here is some of the successful legislation we've had in the states in the first quarter—and how those successes are improving the lives of Americans.

#### **FLORIDA**

- Creation of the most comprehensive set of homelessness reforms in the nation, including:
  - ► Street camping prohibition
  - ► Mental health treatment
  - ► Safe, drug-free spaces
  - ► Local government accountability
  - ► Healthcare innovation with improved transparency incentives
- Creation of a comprehensive pathway for international physicians to practice medicine



#### **IDAHO**

- Creation of a comprehensive pathway for international physicians to practice medicine
- Implementation of regulatory reforms that limits agency power in favor of individual liberty
- Limitation of temporary regulatory rules and requiring a reduction of regulatory burdens
- Elimination of unnecessary degree requirements for public-sector jobs
- Consolidation of health professional boards to lower costs and reduce redundancy

#### **KANSAS**

 Improvements to mental health laws to provide individuals in crisis the treatment they need



## **SOUTH CAROLINA**

Improvements to telehealth law to expand access to care across state lines



### **UTAH**

- Improvements to the reentry process for reintegration of former prisoners and to reduce the likelihood of repeat offenders
- Establishment of guidelines to address habitual offenders
- Creation of incentives for inmates to secure and maintain employment while on probation or parole
- Improvements to privacy protections for victims of crime
- Increases in accountability and metrics for success for the Utah Homelessness Services Board

### **WISCONSIN**

 Expansion of pathways for international physicians to practice medicine in the U.S. without repeating residency

## **VIRGINIA**

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