

2026 Contract with Delaware Voters

This Contract provides voters a precise list of the changes Republicans are committed to making in Delaware once given the opportunity to lead. The items in the Contract strengthen individual rights and opportunities and replace some of the harmful policies and practices in existence today with common-sense solutions. This is not an all-inclusive list of priorities, but a start toward needed reform.

Affordability Acts (Rewarding the Work Ethic)

- 1 **Homeownership Dream Savings Act**
This Act helps make the dream of homeownership a reality for young, hardworking Delawareans just starting out. This Act creates a tax-advantaged savings account that can be used specifically for a down payment on a first home. This gives more citizens the opportunity to achieve the pride of homeownership.
- 2 **Protecting Home Ownership Act**
This Act allows a homeowner, 65+, income-qualified, and occupying the property as their primary residence, to defer property taxes. The unpaid taxes are repaid when the property is sold, transferred, or the owner dies. Sometimes a surviving spouse struggles on a limited income. This removes the risk of losing their home through foreclosure.
- 3 **No Tax on Overtime Act**
Delaware should reward hard work. This Act provides state income tax relief for overtime compensation, allowing workers who put in extra hours to keep more of what they earn. This is another way those starting out can save towards a down payment on a home.
- 4 **No Tax on Tips Act**
Delaware's tipped workers depend on the income they earn directly from the customers they serve. The No Tax on Tips legislation will provide state income-tax relief on tipped income, allowing hardworking service employees to keep more of what they earn. This proposal recognizes the contribution of restaurant, hospitality, personal service, and other tipped workers.

Good Governance (Secure, Promote and Restore)

5 Safe Neighborhoods Act

The Safe streets Act ensures adequate police presence in partnership with community leaders to prioritize neighborhood safety. Repeat offenders should not be let out on the streets over and over again to attack more victims.

6 Respect for Women Act

Women must be given the right to all the information needed for an informed choice. You can't call it choice when women are being led to believe they have no choice other than abortion. **The Democrats in the Senate this year passed SB 5 that allows abortions even after viability.**

7 Return Local Control Act

Laws passed by Democrats have taken away the authority of local governments to act on behalf of their citizens. This overstepping of the state's authority needs to be reversed. Examples include overriding Seaford's Right to Work Ordinance, Sussex County's Offshore Wind decision, forcing local governments to allow certain housing projects without public hearings, and controlling where counties will allow marijuana sales outlets.

Our Youth (Real Protection and Education)

8 Boys in Girls' Sports Act

This Act requires a student athlete to compete in sports associated with their biological sex. The issue of fairness should be obvious to anyone interested in protecting the rights gained by women more than a half a century ago through Title IX. **On June 23 of this year every Democrat in the Senate Chamber voted against an amendment to keep boys out of girls' sports.**

9 Comparative Political Ideology Act

This Act will ensure Delaware students learn about what it's like to live under communism, totalitarianism, and other political ideologies, while examining how those systems differ from the principles of freedom, democracy, and individual liberty upon which our nation was founded.

10 Education Empowerment Accounts Act

This Act supports students and their families through Education Empowerment Accounts for use in public or private schools. These accounts allow families to:

- Choose instructional programs aligned with their child's learning needs
- Access tutoring, enrichment, and special education services
- Supplement classroom education with approved academic resources
- Access child tax credit and investment funds

Democrats have been in charge for 56 years in the Senate, and for 18 years in the House. Their idea of 'school choice' keeps students exclusively in public schools.