

Legislative Affairs

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2007 LEGISLATIVE REPORT CARD

TWENTY-THIRD ANNUAL EDITION

Since 1985, Mass Audubon has reported the environmental voting records of the Massachusetts legislature to inform citizens of their state legislators' performance in protecting the nature of Massachusetts.

Purpose: This Report Card is a compilation of the roll call votes by state legislators on environmental bills or budget items. It is not a personal evaluation of legislators. We publish only how each legislator voted on environmental issues when he or she was asked to stand up and be counted during formal debate. A legislator's score does not represent an endorsement, or lack thereof, by Mass Audubon.

Method: To prepare this Report Card, we review all roll call votes on record at the Senate and House Clerks' offices. These are the votes of the legislators themselves, not Mass Audubon.*

Many bills are passed or rejected by "voice votes" in formal or informal sessions. In these cases, the Speaker of the House or Senate President judges a motion's outcome based on the members' oral responses in the chamber, or on their written or vocal communications prior to open consideration in the House or Senate chambers. Otherwise, when one-fifth of the legislative body requests a call of the "yeas" and "nays" in a formal session, each member's vote is recorded on a roll call, and is printed in the legislative journal.

We evaluate those roll call votes that impact state conservation programs, budgets, policies, statutes, and regulations. A vote supporting environmental protection is given two points. Zero points are given to a vote against environmental protection, not voting, or voting as present. The scores of individual legislators are calculated by dividing the total points a legislator earned by the maximum possible score.



Results: An individual legislator's score may fluctuate from year to year, subject to the nature of the issues before the legislature, political dynamics, or absences due to illnesses or personal commitments, among other variables. Surveying a legislator's scores over the course of his/her tenure in office may produce a more comprehensive view of his/her commitment to environmental protection.

Roll call votes are the single available objective measure to evaluate legislators on their performance. This metric does not enable us to consider other critical subjective environmental leadership qualities, including:

- A legislator's position on an environmental item that was passed or rejected by a "voice vote" or that did not come to a vote;
- Time and energy spent by a legislator advocating for specific district-related environmental bills, projects, or grants;

- Quality of environmental bills filed or cosponsored by legislators; or
- A legislator's personal philosophy, ethic, or affiliation with national, state, regional, or local environmental organizations.

In 2007, the House voted on 20 environmental roll call votes (out of a total 243 roll calls). The Senate voted on 14 environmental roll call votes (out of a total 158 roll calls).

The average score in the House was 90 percent. The average score in the Senate was 94 percent.

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environmental issue through the various parliamentary steps because legislators can change their positions on an issue between the time of bill filing and passage into law. Every year the legislature fails to bring to the floor a host of long-overdue environmental issues to elevate overall public dialogue about issues affecting natural resource protection. More roll call votes could also translate into potentially higher scores on the Report Card, increasing a legislator's chances of gaining points for positive votes for environmental protection.

INTRODUCTION TO SENATE AND HOUSE VOTES

The legislative process has unique terminology. Below is a glossary of terms.

Amendment – Proposal by a member of the House or Senate to change the language or provisions of a bill.

Body – Refers to either the House or the Senate.

Conference Committee -

Committee of three members from each body (one senator and one representative each acting as a chair) appointed by legislative leaders to resolve differences between the two bodies when there are significant differences between the two versions of a bill passed by each body.

Third Reading – Preliminary approval of a bill by a body. The Committee on Third Reading reviews the bill for technical change and constitutionality, and to ensure that the bill does not duplicate existing law prior to the final vote by the legislature to approve, or engross, the bill. The bill can be amended after third reading and prior to engrossment.

Veto Override – A vote to overturn a governor's veto. A two-thirds vote of the members present in both bodies is required to override a veto.

Engrossment – Passage of the final version of a bill for enactment.

Enactment – Final passage of a bill by the House or Senate.



Bill Number KEY Bill description

Vote No. & Name Date ACTION Environmental Vote Y-N-N Vote description.

2007 HOUSE VOTES

H. 2915 Emergency Bond Funds

Emergency bond authorization to provide additional funds to depleted environmental accounts, including land protection.

27 3/21 AMENDMENT N 19-134-5

On rejection of an amendment that would strike employee compensation from the covered expenses for the Urban Self-Help Program and the Executive Office of Energy and Environmental Affairs (EOEEA) State Planning and Land Management staff. The Urban Self-Help Program provides funds for cities and towns to acquire and develop parks.

29 3/21 ENGROSSMENT Y 152-0-6

Provided additional bond funds to depleted environmental accounts, including MassGIS and the Urban Self-Help Program.

30 3/22 ENACTMENT Y 147-0-11 See House 29.

S. 786 Volunteers at State Parks

125 7/26 ENGROSSMENT Y 153-0-6

Encourages civic engagement by exempting volunteers at state parks from liability for ordinary negligence.

H. 4000, H. 4001 & H. 4141 Fiscal Year 2008 Budget

Provides funding for state environmental agencies in the House fiscal year 2008 budget.

H. 4000 Fiscal Year 2008 Budget - House Amendments

84 4/27 AMENDMENT Y 155-1-2

Provides funding for state environmental agencies in the House fiscal year 2008 budget.

H. 4001 Fiscal Year 2008 Budget - House Budget as Amended

B5 4/27 ENGROSSMENT Y

Provides funding for state environmental agencies in the House fiscal year 2008 budget.

156-0-2

H. 4141 Fiscal Year 2008 Budget – House Overrides of the Governor's Vetoes

152 9/18 VETO OVERRIDE Y 146-9-4
DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RECREATION (EOEEA #2810-0100)

Regarding the Department of Conservation and Recreation (DCR), restores funding for the operation of state parks—including state forests, state parks, heritage parks, reservations, campgrounds, beaches, pools, and rinks, and to protect and manage DCR's lands and natural resources, including the forest and parks conservation services as well as the bureau of forestry.

153 9/18 VETO OVERRIDE Y 140-13-6 DIVISION OF URBAN PARKS AND RECREATION (EOEEA #2820-0100)

Restores funding for urban parks and recreation, including Department of Conservation and Recreation parkways, boulevards, roadways, and bridges, flood control activities, and funds for crossing guards, supplies and equipment.

155 9/18 VETO OVERRIDE Y 138-17-4 ENVIRONMENTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT (EOEEA #2030-1000)

Restores funding to Environmental Law Enforcement.

159 9/18 VETO OVERRIDE Y 146-9-4 OFFICE OF DAM SAFETY (EOEEA #2800-0700)

Restores funding to the Office of Dam Safety, including regulated dam removal, stream restoration and public safety.

H. 4141 Fiscal Year 2008 Budget – House Overrides of the Governor's Vetoes continued

165 9/18 VETO OVERRIDE Y 150-4-5 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (EOLWD #7003-0702)

Restores funding to the Office of Labor and Workforce Development, including commonwealth conservation corps. This includes state funding required by the federal government to support AmeriCorps volunteers, whose efforts contribute to environmental programs across the Commonwealth.

H. 4184 & H. 4324 Licensing Requirements for Landlocked Tidelands (Chapter 91)

The bill validates the regulatory exemption for landlocked tidelands as promulgated by the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) in 1990. Establishes a new "public benefit review" by EOEEA for certain projects on tidelands, landlocked tidelands, or great ponds. Ensures public and legislature participate in tidelands review. The bill amends the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act (MEPA) to include "reduction of groundwater levels" and other concerns within the list of environmental issues that the EOEEA Secretary must review for projects on landlocked tidelands. It also requires an enhanced review of projects on landlocked tidelands and creates an enforcement mechanism for MEPA certificates. Calls for a study of the drainage and ground and surface water flow issues associated with the Miller's River in the cities of Cambridge, Somerville and Boston.

H. 4184 First House Version

132 7/26 AMENDMENT Y 115-36-8

On adoption of an amendment that would require a license for any use or structure on landlocked tidelands that is part of a one million gross square feet or more development, if construction has not started on or before the effective date of this act. It also would require public benefit be determined for any development on filled tidelands prior to granting of this license.

133 7/26 AMENDMENT N 25-126-8

On rejection of an amendment that would remove a section of the bill further defining public benefits to include, among other things, public access, open space, recreational activities, positive impact on abutters and the surrounding community; environmental protection and preservation; and enhancement of public health and safety.

134 7/26 THIRD READING Y 119-32-8

On bringing the bill to a third reading in the House. Regulates the licensing of tidelands through a new office of tidelands and great ponds, reporting to EOEEA.

H. 4324 Conference Committee Report and Final Version

197 10/25 CONFERENCE COMMITTEE Y 148-3-7

On acceptance of the Senate and House conference committee report on the licensing requirements for landlocked tidelands.

201 II/I ENACTMENT Y 154-0-5

Enacts the bill and sends it to the Senate for final passage.

H. 4365 & H. 4373 Green Communities

Introduced by the Speaker of the House, Salvatore DiMasi (D-Boston), this legislation requires a reduction of the state's total energy consumption by at least 10 percent by 2017, encourages development of renewable energy resources by requiring that 20 percent of the state's electricity be from renewable sources by 2017, and, on a smaller scale, offers an income tax deduction for hybrid vehicles. Controversial pieces include movement of the Renewable

Energy Trust from the Massachusetts Technology Collaborative to EOEEA, and a last-minute amendment that opens Massachusetts Ocean Sanctuaries to siting of all renewable energy facilities, including wind farms, irrespective of an ocean management plan.

H. 4365 Green Communities

215 II/I5 AMENDMENT N 33-II9-7

On rejection of an amendment that would replace a fixed deduction of \$2,000 for purchase of hybrid vehicle with a sliding scale sales tax for fuel efficient vehicles. Submits recommendations for a comprehensive environmental and energy policy in the commonwealth including efficiency, renewable energy sources, and tax incentives.

216 11/15 AMENDMENT Y 150-2-7

On adoption of an amendment adding a green buildings tax credit. As defined by the legislature, a building must meet the criteria of at least the Silver rating according to the US Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED).

217 II/I5 AMENDMENT Y I52-0-7

On adoption of an amendment that would exempt hybrid and/or alternative fuel vehicles from the sales tax difference on the price difference between the same vehicle that uses traditional fuel.

H. 4373 Green Communities as amended

218 II/I5 ENGROSSMENT Y 151-0-8

On passing the bill, as amended, to be engrossed and sent to the Senate for concurrence.



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2007 HOUSE VOTES

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Allen, W.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	_	+	+	+	95%
Atkins, C.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+		+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
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Balser, R.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+	95%
Barrows, F.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	60%
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Bosley, D.	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	70%*
Bradley, G.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Brownsberger, W.	+	+	+	+	+	+				+	+	+	+	+	+	+		+	+	+	80%
Cabral, A.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
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Callahan, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
Calter, T.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	95%
Campbell, L.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Canavan, C.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Canessa, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Casey, P.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	85%
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Conroy, T.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Correia, R.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	80%
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Curran, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
D'Amico, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	85%
DeLeo, R.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
deMacedo, V.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	60%
Dempsey, B.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
DiMasi, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
DiNatale, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Donato, P.	+	+	NV	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	85%
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Driscoll, J.	+		+		+	+		+		+			+	+		NV		+	+	+	95%
Eldridge, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
Evangelidis, L.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	55%
Fagan, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Fallon, C.	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	75%
Falzone, M.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	95%
Fennell, R.	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%*
Fernandes, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Festa, M.*	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	+	+	+	NV	NV	*	*	*	*	*	*	57%
Finegold, B.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Flanagan, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Flynn, D.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	80%*
Forry, L.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Fox, G.	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	95%
Fresolo, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Frost, P.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	70%
Galvin, W.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Garry, C.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Gifford, S.		+	+	+	+	+						+			+	+		+	+	+	55%
Gobi, A.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	
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Golden, T.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	95%
Grant, M.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Greene, W.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	90%
Guyer, D.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
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Haddad, P.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Hall, G.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Hargraves, R.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	70%
Harkins, L.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Hill, B.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	55%
Honan, K.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Humason, D.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	50%
Hynes, F.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	90%
Jones, B.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	55%
Kafka, L.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	95%
Kane, M.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+	95%
Kaprielian, R.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	95%
Kaufman, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+	95%
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Kennedy, T.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Khan, K.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	90%
Kocot, P.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Koczera, R.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Koutoujian, P.	NV	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	85%
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Kulik, S.	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	95%
Lantigua, W.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
LeDuc, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Lepper, J.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	NV	NV	NV	NV	NV	+	+	-	+	+	+	50%*
Linsky, D.	NV	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	85%
L'Italien, B.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Loscocco, P.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	70%
Malia, E.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	90%
Mariano, R.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Marzilli, J.	+	NV	NV	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	70%*
McCarthy, A.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
McMurtry, P.*	*	*	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Miceli, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Moran, M.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Murphy, C.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Murphy, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Murphy, K.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Nangle, D.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Natale, P.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	95%
Naughton, H.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Nyman, R.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
O'Day, J.*	*	*	*	*	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	93%
O'Flaherty, E.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
Patrick, M.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	95%
Peake, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Pedone, V.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Peisch, A.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	95%
Perry, J.	-	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	45%*
Petersen, D.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Peterson, G.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	65%
Petrolati, T.	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%*
Petruccelli, A.*	+	+	+	+	+	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	100%
Pignatelli, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Poirier, E.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	70%
Polito, K.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	55%
Provost, D.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	80%
Puppolo, A.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Quinn, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Reinstein, K.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Rice, R.	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
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Richardson, P.	+	+																			
Rodrigues, M.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	95%
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2007 HOUSE VOTES CONTINUED

VOTE #	27	29	30	84	85	125	132	133	134	152	153	155	159	165	197	20 I	215	216	217	218	SCORE
Ross, R.	_	+	+	+	+	+	_	_	_	+	_	_	+	+	+	+	_	+	+	+	65%
Rush, M.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	NV	NV	NV	NV	NV	+	NV	+	+	+	+	65%*
Rushing, B.	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	95%
Sánchez, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	80%*
Sandlin, R.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	95%
Sannicandro, T.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Scaccia, A.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Scibak, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Sciortino, C.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	75%
Smith, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Smizik, F.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Smola, T.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	60%
Speliotis, T.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Spellane, R.	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%*
Speranzo, C.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Spiliotis, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Stanley, H.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+	95%
Stanley, T.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
St. Fleur, M.	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%*
Story, E.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	+	-	+	+	+	90%
Straus, W.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	80%*
Sullivan, D.	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	85%
Swan, B.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Timilty, W.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Tobin, S.	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	75%*
Toomey, T.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	80%
Torrisi, D.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Turkington, E.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Turner, C.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	95%
Vallee, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Verga, A.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Wagner, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	80%*
Wallace, B.	+	+	+	NV	NV	+	NV	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	75%*
Walrath, P.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Walsh, M.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Walsh, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Walz, M.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Webster, D.	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	65%
Welch, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Wolf, A.	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%



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2007 SENATE VOTES

Bill description

Vote No. & Name Date ACTION Environmental Vote Y-N-NV

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H. 2915 Emergency Bond Funds

IO 3/22 ENGROSSMENT Y 35-0-3 See House 29.

S. 786 Volunteers at State Parks

13 5/1 ENGROSSED Y 38-0-0 See House 125.

S. 3, S. 2250 & H. 4141 Fiscal Year 2008 Budget

Provides funding for state environmental agencies for fiscal year 2008.

S. 3 Fiscal Year 2008 Budget - Senate Proposed Amendments

29 5/23 AMENDMENT Y 37-0-1

On adoption of an amendment that would set up the State Parks Preservation Trust Fund to maintain and preserve state owned parks; creates a mechanism for state residents to easily send a portion of their state income tax returns to the fund.

S. 2250 Fiscal Year 2008 Budget - Senate Budget as Amended

45 5/23 ENGROSSMENT Y 38-0-0

On engrossment of amendments, which included a waiver on overhead costs assessed by the Executive Office for Administration and Finance against the Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Fund. Prior to this amendment, overhead charges were assessed against all expenditures made from the Natural Heritage & Endangered Species Fund, while a significant portion of the fund consists of charitable donations (with a 34.16% indirect cost charge, a \$10 voluntary contribution made to the program is reduced to \$6.58 in direct program services). An assessment of administrative overhead charges on the fund limited the direct benefits of voluntary contributions made toward Natural Heritage. Citizens who make voluntary donations expect that their contributions will directly benefit endangered species recovery.

H. 4141 Fiscal Year 2008 Budget – Senate Overrides of the Governor's Vetoes

97 9/20 VETO OVERRIDE Y 34-1-2 DIVISION OF STATE PARKS AND RECREATION (EOEEA #2810-0100) See House 152.

98 9/20 VETO OVERRIDE Y 34-1-2 DIVISION OF URBAN PARKS AND RECREATION (EOEEA #2820-0100)

See House 153

100 9/20 VETO OVERRIDE Y 35-0-2 ENVIRONMENTAL LAW ENFORCEMENT (EOEEA #2030-1000)

See House 155.

104 9/20 VETO OVERRIDE Y 35-0-2
OFFICE OF DAM SAFETY (EOEEA #2800-0700)

See House 159.

H. 4141 Fiscal Year 2008 Budget – Senate Overrides of the Governor's Vetoes continued

110 9/20 VETO OVERRIDE Y 34-0-3 WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT (EOLWD #7003-0702)

See House 165

H. 4184, H. 4324 Licensing Requirements for Landlocked Tidelands (Chapter 91)

See House 132, 134 and House 197, 201.

H. 4184 House Version

80 7/31 ENGROSSMENT Y 35-0-3 Further regulates the licensing of tidelands.

H. 4324 Conference Committee Report and Final Version

124 11/5 ENACTMENT Y 37-0-1

See Senate 80. On enactment of the bill as amended by the Senate.

S. 536 Regulating the Distribution of Household Cleansing Products Containing Phosphorous

117 9/27 ENGROSSMENT Y 33-0-4

Prohibits the sale and use of household cleansers containing phosphorus, with exceptions for those used in commercial dishwashing machines, commercial laundries, for cleansing medical and surgical equipment, food and beverage processing equipment, and dairy equipment after July 1, 2010; requires manufacturers to reduce the concentration of phosphorus in said detergents to trace quantities by said date. Phosphorus easily moves from wastewater into groundwater, lakes and ponds, and streams and rivers, where it acts as a fertilizer and causes rapid plant and algae growth. Overgrowth of plant life and the subsequent decay of abundant vegetation result in anoxic conditions. This leads to die-offs of fish and other aquatic organisms.

S. 2346 Ocean Management

119 9/27 ENGROSSMENT Y 34-0-3

Establishes a framework for ocean management. An unprecedented number of proposed activities for the ocean are presenting a new challenge: how to balance commercial use, personal recreation and protection and preservation of ocean life. Proposals for liquefied natural gas terminals, sand and gravel mining, desalination plants, gas pipelines, telecommunications cables, deepwater aquaculture, and wind energy facilities have raised concerns about how to balance the intensified development pressure on the marine ecosystem while also capitalizing on the opportunities that the ocean holds for energy and food production, recreation, and transportation. Existing statutes never envisioned these new uses and pressures, and the current system is ill equipped to deal with them. Ocean management has historically been spread among several different government agencies with public decisions about whether to allow certain activities made on a case-by-case, reactive and fragmented basis. This bill would give public agencies clear direction and stronger authority to EOEEA for planning development of offshore state waters.

S. 2374 Protecting Buzzards Bay

129 11/5 ENGROSSMENT Y 37-0-1

Creates an on-call Rescue Tug and State Pilot Program for Buzzards Bay and expands the authority of the Oil Spill Prevention and Response Trust Fund to assume the cost of the program.

2007 SENATE VOTES

VOTE#	10	13	29	45	80	97	98	100	104	110	117	119	124	129	
DATE	3/22	5/1	5/23	5/23	7/31	9/20	9/20	9/20	9/20	9/20	9/27	9/27	11/5	11/5	SCORE
YEAS	35	38	37	38	35	34	34	35	35	34	31	33	37	37	
NAYS	0	0	0	0	0	I	I	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
N-VOTE	3	0	Ţ	0	3	2	2	2	2	3	6	4	I	I	
ENVIRO. VOTE	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	Υ	
Antonioni, R.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Augustus, E.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Baddour, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Barrios, J.*	NV	+	+	+	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	75%
Berry, F.	+	+	NV	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	86%
Brewer, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Brown, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Buoniconti, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Candaras, G.	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	64%*
Chandler, H.	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	93%
Creedon, R.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Creem, C.	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	93%
Downing, B.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Fargo, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	+	+	86%
Galluccio, A.*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	+	+	100%
Hart, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Havern, R.*	+	+	+	+	+	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	100%
Hedlund, R.	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	79%
Jehlen, P.	+	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	93%
Joyce, B.	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	93%
Knapik, M.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
McGee,T.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Menard, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Montigny, M.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	+	+	86%
Moore, R.	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	NV	NV	NV	+	+	+	+	64%*
Morrissey, M.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Murray, T.	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
O'Leary, R.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Pacheco, M.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Panagiotakos, S	S. +	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	+	+	86%
Petrucelli, A.*	*	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Resor, P.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Rosenberg, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Spilka, K.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	NV	NV	86%
Tarr, B.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Timilty, J.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Tisei, R.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Tolman, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Tucker, S.	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Walsh, M.	+	+	+		+	+	- 1	1							
	+			+		+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%

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