

2015


COLORADO LEGISLATIVE CONSERVATION SCORECARD



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The Scorecard highlights the priorities of the conservation community in the 2015 legislative session. You will find factual, nonpartisan information about how each member of the legislature voted on important issues that affect Colorado's air, land, water and people. We invite you to examine the scores of your representative and your senator and to see how well their votes match up with your conservation values. We encourage you to call or write your legislators and let them know you follow their environmental scores. For more information, visit conservationCO.org

Conservation Colorado turns conservation values into Colorado priorities.



2015 OVERVIEW

Thank you for raising your voices to help champion pro-conservation bills this legislative session. Your calls, emails, and meetings with legislators helped to elevate critical issues facing our state today from protecting our precious water resources to increasing energy efficiency.

The role elections play in our ability to achieve conservation wins was made very clear this session. We know that who casts the votes matters. As the 2014 election votes were tallied, we quickly realized the Colorado Senate was going to shift from one that tilted in favor of conservation to an anti-conservation majority. Accordingly, we entered this year's session with modest, common sense goals for conservation, as you'll see reflected in this Scorecard.

Knowing these challenges, we set to work building broad based coalitions including support from business, local governments and energy and water providers. Unfortunately, this was not enough to get our bills through the Senate and the end result was that many pro-conservation bills were killed by Senate committees, chaired by lawmakers who chose not to prioritize Colorado's air, water, land, and public health.

Many people point to partisanship in these instances, but that doesn't tell the whole story. Many of our issues enjoyed bipartisan support, such as one that would have created a tax credit for highly energy-efficient buildings. The bill was endorsed by business organizations like the Denver Metro Chamber of Commerce, the Colorado Association of Commerce and Industry, and dozens of small and medium sized businesses. Unfortunately, this effort died in the Senate along with many other good bills.

Though it was a frustrating year, there were some hopeful moments. Conserving our public lands has long been a core value in Colorado, and some senators did reach across the aisle to oppose reckless

measures to sell off our public lands. Legislators also crossed party lines to support the common sense effort to legalize rain barrels. Instances like these show that our state's commitment to our environment transcends party lines.

Most importantly, we know that Coloradans are with us. According to the 2015 Colorado College State of the Rockies poll, 72% of Coloradans believe that public lands belong to all Americans. For that matter, the same poll showed that 78% of Coloradans support using our water more wisely, and 76% want their leaders to pursue renewable energy. It is indisputable that Coloradans care about their environment and want their legislators to reflect their values. With your help, we can ensure that all of our elected officials do just that.





Water

Water is central to Colorado’s economy, heritage, and quality of life. Its importance is no secret to folks who live here; according to a 2015 Colorado College State of the Rockies poll, 78% of us favor using our current water supply more wisely by encouraging more conservation, reducing use, and increasing recycling of water. Bills this session to keep rivers flowing, increase water conservation, and legalize rain barrels were the subject of lengthy debate.

House Bill 1259

1 LEGALIZING RESIDENTIAL RAIN BARRELS

Sponsors: Representatives Daneya Esgar, Jessie Danielson, Alec Garnett, Joe Salazar, Ed Vigil, Max Tyler, Faith Winter, Senator Mike Merrifield

House Vote: 45-20

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: YES

Bill Died in Senate Committee

Description: This common sense bill would have allowed the limited use of up to two barrels with a total capacity of 110 gallons to be used for outdoor irrigation purposes only. It strived to increase water awareness and water conservation, which is critically important, especially in our urban areas.



Senate Bill 008

2 PROMOTION OF WATER CONSERVATION IN THE LAND USE PLANNING PROCESS

Sponsors: Senators Ellen Roberts, Mary Hodge, Matt Jones, Representatives Ed Vigil, Don Coram, Diane Mitsch Bush

House Vote: 39-25-1 • Senate Vote: 25-8-2

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: YES

Gov. Hickenlooper signed into law on: May 1, 2015

Description: This bill will offer voluntary training resources to land use planners to increase their knowledge of water use in land planning and to promote water conservation. With record population growth and 16 years of drought plaguing the Southwest, we need to start considering the impacts of our land use, and this bill creates tools to do just that.

House Bill 1159

3 INSTREAM FLOW INCENTIVE TAX CREDIT

Sponsors: Representative Jeni Arndt and Senator Kerry Donovan

House Vote: 37-28

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: YES

Bill Died in Senate Committee

Description: Created in 2009, this program allows water right holders who voluntarily donate their water rights to the State of Colorado for permanent river protection to receive a tax credit for part of their water rights value. The program has a history of bipartisan support but this year’s bill, which would have reauthorized the program before its expiration date, faced staunch partisan opposition.



Clean ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

As we deal with the most pressing issue of our time, climate change, our state has consistently risen to the challenge by offering Colorado solutions to advance renewable energy and cut carbon pollution in our state. Bills that would have increased energy efficiency, cut methane pollution from oil and gas operations, and rolled back the Renewable Energy Standard were front and center this session. While the results were mixed, the basic tenets of our clean energy economy were once again affirmed. Support for clean energy solutions remains high among Coloradans. According to the 2015 Colorado College State of the Rockies poll, 76% of Coloradans are more likely to vote for a candidate who wants to promote more use of renewable energy.

Senate Bill 258



CLEAN POWER PLAN ATTACK

Sponsors: Senators John Cooke, Jerry Sonnenberg, Representative Tim Dore

Senate Vote: 21-14

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: NO

Bill Died in House Committee

Description: The EPA announced an ambitious plan to cut carbon pollution which will lead to the creation of state specific plans. SB 258 would have impeded state efforts to reduce carbon pollution and placed red tape and bureaucracy around Colorado developing its own state specific plan by implementing a series of unnecessary legislative and Public Utilities Commission reviews.

House Bill 1236



TAX CREDIT FOR EFFICIENT BUILDINGS

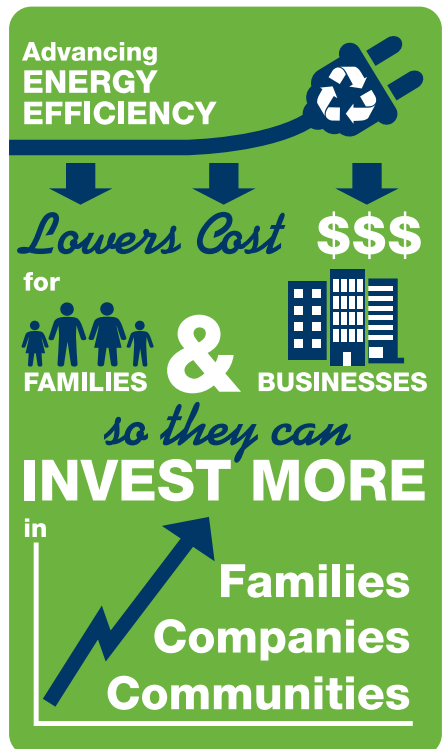
Sponsors: Representative Faith Winter, Senators Beth Martinez Humenik, Kerry Donovan

House Vote: 36-27-2

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: YES

Bill Died in Senate Committee

Description: HB 1236 would have provided tax credits for the construction and renovation of highly efficient commercial and multifamily buildings. At least 20% of the projects would have gone to low income multifamily housing to help reduce energy bills and improve tenant quality of life. The bill would have addressed market barriers like upfront costs that inhibit efficient construction and renovation in those building sectors.





Clean ENERGY AND CLIMATE CHANGE

Senate Bill 1132



RESIDENTIAL ENERGY
EFFICIENCY TAX CREDIT

Sponsors: Representatives Don Coram, KC Becker, Senators Mary Hodge, Ray Scott

House Vote: 38-27

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: YES

Bill Died in Senate Committee

Description: HB 1132 would have provided tax credits to Colorado homeowners who sought energy efficient upgrades to their homes. This bill would have benefited Colorado homeowners across the state, especially those in rural areas, by enabling efficient renovations, saving families money on their energy bills.

Senate Bill 044



RENEWABLE ENERGY
ECONOMY ROLL BACK

Sponsors: Senators Ray Scott, Jerry Sonnenberg, Chris Holbert, Bill Cadman, Kent Lambert, Kevin Lundberg, Larry Crowder, Representative Dan Thurlow

Senate Vote: 18-17

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: NO

Bill Died in House Committee

Description: In an effort to roll back the Renewable Energy Standard (RES), SB 44 would have decreased the RES from 20% to 15% for co-ops and from 30% to 15% for investor owned utilities like Xcel and Black Hills. This bill would have undermined the Colorado clean energy economy, a cornerstone for high paying jobs and economic growth across Colorado.

House Bill 1219



ENTERPRISE ZONE
INVESTMENT TAX CREDIT
FOR RENEWABLE ENERGY

Sponsors: Representatives Beth McCann, Jon Becker, Senators Mary Hodge, Jerry Sonnenberg

House Vote: 45-19-1 • Senate Vote: 24-11

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: YES

Gov. Hickenlooper Signed into Law on:
June 5, 2015

Description: HB 1219 will create an enterprise zone investment tax credit refund for renewable energy projects. The credit will have incentivize investments in renewable energy projects built in Colorado, a policy arena fraught by unpredictability under soon-to-expire federal programs and credits.

House Bill 1284



COMMUNITY SOLAR
GARDENS

Sponsors: Representatives Faith Winter, Kit Roupe, Alec Garnett, Senators Kevin Grantham, Mary Hodge

House Vote: 38-26-1 • Senate Vote: 26-9

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: YES

Gov. Hickenlooper Signed into Law on:
May 8, 2015

Description: HB 1284 will enable community solar garden customers to subscribe to solar gardens in adjacent counties. By providing more flexibility to community solar gardens, this bill will expand options to more Coloradans when it comes to choosing renewable energy.



Oil & Gas

Our state has been on the front lines of oil and gas issues in recent years due to heavy production and concern among communities that oil and gas drilling is negatively impacting their health and safety. Last fall, during the Governor’s Oil and Gas Task Force, hundreds of concerned citizens showed up to meetings across the state arguing for a voice in how oil and gas activity takes place in their neighborhoods – or whether it has any place in their communities at all. At the same time, we saw a massive public relations campaign from oil and gas drillers trying to convince the public that communities have nothing to fear. While this year’s legislative session was quieter on oil and gas bills, there were still efforts to put mineral interests over community rights as well as restrict our core democratic initiative process.

Senate Bill 093

10  COMPENSATE OWNERS’ MINERAL INTERESTS

Sponsors: Senator Jerry Sonnenberg and Representative Jon Becker

Senate Vote: 19-14-2

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: NO

Bill Died in House Committee

Description: SB 93 would have penalized local governments that passed safeguards to control heavy industrial activities like oil and gas by deeming regulations a “taking” and requiring the local government to pay high fixed costs associated with the mineral rights. The bill used broad definitions of what entails a “taking” of these property rights beyond what existing case law determined is appropriate.



House Bill 1057

11  STATEWIDE BALLOT INITIATIVE PROCESS

Sponsors: Representatives Lois Court, Brian DelGrosso, Jeni Arndt, Tracy Kraft Tharp, Polly Lawrence, Pete Lee, Bob Rankin, Senators Sonnenberg, Hodge, Balmer, Cadman, Cooke

House: 41-23-1 • Senate: 18-17

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: NO

Gov. Hickenlooper Signed into Law on: May 18, 2015


Description: Crafted by business interests following the oil and gas ballot initiative debate last summer, this legislation requires a fiscal analysis to be done and printed on petitions before signatures are gathered for a ballot initiative. The analysis will occur before final language is submitted and will only factor in limited information without an opportunity for the public to comment. Despite his ultimate opposition, Representative Tyler was the deciding vote to get the bill out of committee. Given it’s bipartisan sponsorship it then gained momentum on the floor to pass out of the House.



Transportation

Smart transportation planning is crucial to ensuring that our urban areas reduce their carbon pollution, which accounts for a third of greenhouse gas emissions contributing to climate change. How we plan and how we pay for our transportation system will shape our communities for decades to come. This year we saw the introduction of Trans Bonds II, a bad bill that drastically cut funding for maintaining existing roads in order to fund massive highway expansion. When polled, Coloradans support prioritizing maintenance of our roads and bridges, followed by expanded transit and bike lanes. This bill did just the opposite.

Senate Bill 272

12  THE “TRANS BONDS II BILL”

Sponsors: Senators Randy Baumgardner, Vicki Marble, John Cooke, Bill Cadman, Mark Scheffel, Larry Crowder, Kevin Lundberg, Representatives Brian DelGrosso, Don Coram, Lori Saine, Perry Buck, J. Paul Brown, Dan Nordberg, Stephen Humphrey

Senate Vote: 18-17

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: NO

Bill Died in House Committee

Description: The “Trans Bonds II Bill” purported to provide a new funding source for transportation projects in Colorado but would have actually CUT funding intended for road and bridge maintenance and rerouted this to new construction. The bill primarily funded large highway expansion projects, with very little funding for transit or bicycle and pedestrian projects, while undermining the state’s ability to maintain existing roads and bridges.





Public Lands

Colorado's iconic public lands truly make our state unique. They are a crucial part of our outdoor heritage, tourism and recreation economies, and our way of life. According to a 2014 Center For American Progress poll, 80% of Colorado voters believe that our national parks, forests, and other public lands belong to all Americans, not just Coloradans, and everyone should be able to access them. Unfortunately, across the West, state legislatures have been faced with a series of bills backed by extractive industries and ideologues that would threaten to close off millions of acres of land Americans have used for generations. Thankfully, here in Colorado, bills to seize public land were defeated.

Senate Bill 039

13



CONCURRENT
JURISDICTION OVER
FEDERAL LAND

Sponsors: Senators Kevin Lambert, Bill Cadman, Representative Stephen Humphrey

Senate Vote: 18-16-1

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: NO

Bill Died in House Committee

Description: SB 39 would have asserted broad new state controls and police powers over federally-managed lands. Claiming to be about giving locals more influence over wildfire fighting, the bill was actually a cut-and-paste version of legislation from special interests and part of the public lands takeover agenda.

Senate Bill 232

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COLORADO FEDERAL
LAND MANAGEMENT

Sponsors: Senators Randy Baumgardner, Jerry Sonnenberg, Representative Don Coram

Senate Vote: 17-18

PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE: NO

Bill Died on Senate Floor

Description: SB 232 would have created a new commission to "study" the state taking control of public lands. The bill would have created a pay to play commission made up of county commissioners biased toward the conclusion that state takeover of America's public lands is a good thing. Similar legislation has been seen across the West as the land seizure movement continues to push bad policy at the state level.





Notable LEADERS

With split chambers this year, our conservation champs were busy driving proactive legislation and defending against anti-conservation attacks. This Scorecard reflects the hard work of many legislators, but a few critical members deserve additional mention.

Strong leadership in the House from Speaker of the House Dickey Lee Hullinghorst and Majority Leader Crisanta Duran as well as support in the Senate from Minority Leader Morgan Carroll was critical this session to defeat radical anti-conservation bills while also continuing to advocate for common sense pro-conservation measures.

COMMITTEE LEADERSHIP

The work of the House State, Veterans, and Military Affairs Committee under the steady leadership of Representative Su Ryden was critical to protecting the environment this year. Our thanks to her and the members of the committee, Representatives Joe Salazar, Mike Foote, Dianne Primavera, Susan Lontine, and Max Tyler for their work on that committee.

RETURNING CHAMPS

House member Representative KC Becker once again worked to prioritize conservation issues at the Capitol, sponsoring key legislation and working to champion our issues in committee hearings, on the floor, and in budget negotiations.

In the Senate, we were thrilled to see long time champions step up once again; Senator Nancy Todd was a strong voice against bad transportation policy, SB 272, speaking out in the Senate Transportation Committee and at the microphone in order to protect transportation funding and critical transit dollars. Senator Rollie Heath continued to be a strong voice for conservation, speaking out against political attacks on our Renewable Energy Standard and the Clean Power Plan.

EMERGING LEADERS

The 2014 elections brought many changes to the Colorado legislature and new faces

under the dome. These new legislators stepped out to support conservation during their first weeks at the legislature and we look forward to working with them in years to come. Thanks to Senator Kerry Donovan, Representatives Jeni Arndt, Jessie Danielson, Daneya Esgar, and Faith Winter for their emerging leadership on conservation issues working as bill sponsors, negotiators, and leaders in their caucus.

REACHING ACROSS THE AISLE

This year also brought a more divided legislature than recent years, meaning the need to work across the aisle was even more critical. We were pleased to find partners in both parties. In the Senate, Senator Beth Martinez Humenik co-sponsored energy efficiency legislation and Senator Larry Crowder voted to protect our public lands by opposing the land grab efforts.




In the House, Representative Bob Rankin worked to find solutions to improve public land management and also supported common sense legislation like HB 1259 to legalize residential rain barrels. He was joined by others in his party, including Representative Jon Keyser, who spoke out in support of this legislation and the effort to give the bill a fair hearing on the Senate floor.

































































































































































































































































REMEMBERING A FRIEND

We were saddened to hear of the passing of our friend and conservation champion Representative John Buckner. As a lifetime 100% conservation voter, Representative Buckner cared deeply for conservation and environmental justice. We are thankful for our time working with him and will miss his presence in the legislature.

2015 HOUSE VOTES




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


























































































































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Arndt, Jennifer (D)	HD 53	88%	88%	1								
Becker, Jon (R)	HD 13	13%	26%	3								
Becker, KC (D)	HD 65	100%	100%	2								
Brown, J. Paul (R)	HD 59	50%	35%	3								
Buck, Perry (R)	HD 49	0%	7%	3								
Buckner, John (D)	HD 40	100%	100%	3								
Carver, Terri (R)	HD 20	25%	25%	1								
Conti, Kathleen (R)	HD 38	25%	26%	5								
Coram, Don (R)	HD 58	38%	29%	5								
Court, Lois (D)	HD 6	75%	96%	7								
Danielson, Jessie (D)	HD 24	100%	100%	1								
DelGrosso, Brian (R)	HD 51	13%	22%	6								
Dore, Tim (R)	HD 64	13%	24%	3								
Duran, Crisanta (D)	HD 5	100%	100%	5								
Esgar, Daneya (D)	HD 46	100%	100%	1								
Everett, Justin (R)	HD 22	0%	7%	3								
Fields, Rhonda (D)	HD 42	100%	97%	5								
Foote, Mike (D)	HD 12	100%	100%	3								
Garnett, Alec (D)	HD 2	100%	100%	1								
Ginal, Joann (D)	HD 52	100%	100%	3								
Hamner, Millie (D)	HD 61	88%	98%	5								
Hullingerhorst, Dickey Lee (D)	HD 10	88%	98%	7								
Humphrey, Stephen (R)	HD 48	13%	12%	3								
Joshi, Janak (R)	HD 16	0%	18%	5								
Kagan, Daniel (D)	HD 3	100%	97%	7								
Keyser, Jon (R)	HD 25	43%	43%	1								
Klingenschmitt, Gordon (R)	HD 15	13%	13%	1								
Kraft-Tharp, Tracy (D)	HD 29	88%	96%	3								
Landgraf, Lois (R)	HD 21	13%	12%	3								
Lawrence, Polly (R)	HD 39	0%	10%	3								
Lebsock, Steve (D)	HD 34	100%	100%	3								
Lee, Pete (D)	HD 18	88%	98%	5								
Lontine, Susan (D)	HD 1	100%	100%	1								

2015 HOUSE VOTES




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
















































































































































































































































































































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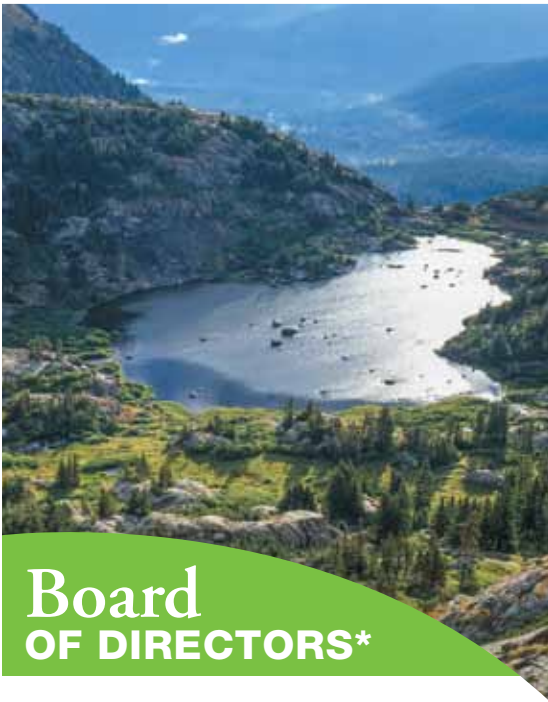
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Lundeen, Paul (R)	HD 19	0%	0%	1	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
McCann, Beth (D)	HD 8	88%	97%	7								X
Melton, Jovan (D)	HD 41	88%	96%	3								X
Mitsch Bush, Diane (D)	HD 26	100%	100%	3								
Moreno, Dominick (D)	HD 32	100%	100%	3								
Navarro, Clarice (R)	HD 47	0%	18%	3	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Neville, Patrick (R)	HD 45	13%	13%	1		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Nordberg, Dan (R)	HD 14	13%	11%	3		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Pabon, Dan (D)	HD 4	88%	98%	5								X
Pettersen, Brittany (D)	HD 28	100%	100%	3								
Primavera, Dianne (D)	HD 33	100%	99%	7								
Priola, Kevin (R)	HD 56	33%	32%	3	X	E	X	E			X	X
Rankin, Bob (R)	HD 57	38%	31%	3			X		X	X	X	X
Ransom, Kim (R)	HD 44	13%	13%	1		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Rosenthal, Paul (D)	HD 9	100%	97%	3								
Roupe, Kit (R)	HD 17	25%	25%	1	X	X	X	X	X			X
Ryden, Su (D)	HD 36	100%	99%	7								
Saine, Lori (R)	HD 63	13%	11%	3		X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Salazar, Joseph (D)	HD 31	100%	100%	3								
Sias, Lang (R)	HD 11	0%	0%	1	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Singer, Jonathan (D)	HD 27	100%	98%	4								
Tate, Jack (R)	HD 37	0%	0%	1	X	X	X	X	X	X	X	X
Thurlow, Dan (R)	HD 55	50%	50%	1				X	X		X	X
Tyler, Max (D)	HD 23	88%	98%	6						X		
Van Winkle, Kevin (R)	HD 43	25%	25%	1		X	X	X	X		X	X
Vigil, Edward (D)	HD 62	88%	93%	7								X
Willett, Yeulin (R)	HD 54	50%	50%	1				X	X		X	X
Williams, Angela (D)	HD 7	88%	96%	5								X
Wilson, James (R)	HD 60	13%	20%	3	X	X	X	X	X		X	X
Windholz, JoAnn (R)	HD 30	25%	25%	1		X	X	X	X		X	X
Winter, Faith (D)	HD 35	100%	100%	1								
Young, Dave (D)	HD 50	100%	99%	3								

2015 SENATE VOTES

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Aguilar, Irene (D)	SD 32	100%	97%	5										
Balmer, David (R)	SD 27	30%	27%	11										
Baumgardner, Randy (R)	SD 8	0%	23%	7										
Cadman, Bill (R)	SD 12	30%	17%	15										
Carroll, Morgan (D)	SD 29	100%	98%	11										
Cooke, John (R)	SD 13	40%	40%	1										
Crowder, Larry (R)	SD 35	40%	33%	3										
Donovan, Kerry (D)	SD 5	100%	100%	1										
Garcia, Leroy (D)	SD 3	90%	91%	3										
Grantham, Kevin (R)	SD 2	20%	23%	5										
Guzman, Lucia (D)	SD 34	100%	100%	5										
Heath, Rollie (D)	SD 18	100%	100%	7										
Hill, Owen (R)	SD 10	20%	10%	3										
Hodge, Mary (D)	SD 25	80%	85%	15										
Holbert, Chris (R)	SD 30	10%	18%	5										
Jahn, Cheri (D)	SD 20	80%	81%	13										
Johnston, Michael (D)	SD 33	90%	96%	7										
Jones, Matt (D)	SD 17	100%	100%	13										
Kefalas, John (D)	SD 14	90%	99%	9										
Kerr, Andy (D)	SD 22	100%	99%	9										
Lambert, Kent (R)	SD 9	0%	18%	9										
Lundberg, Kevin (R)	SD 15	20%	19%	13										
Marble, Vicki (R)	SD 23	0%	3%	3										
Martinez Humenik, Beth (R)	SD 24	20%	20%	1										
Merrifield, Michael (D)	SD 11	100%	100%	9										
Neville, Tim (R)	SD 16	10%	20%	2										
Newell, Linda (D)	SD 26	100%	96%	7										
Roberts, Ellen (R)	SD 6	30%	58%	9										
Scheffel, Mark (R)	SD 4	30%	23%	7										
Scott, Ray (R)	SD 7	0%	18%	5										
Sonnenberg, Jerry (R)	SD 1	10%	17%	9										



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