



Ohio Environmental Council  
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# 134<sup>th</sup> Ohio General Assembly

## 2022 Scorecard Update



## About the OEC Action Fund & Scorecard

The Ohio Environmental Council Action Fund is the accountability and lobbying arm of the OEC family of organizations. We know smart policies are only useful when our elected leaders have the courage to act. The OEC Action Fund ensures lawmakers are supported when they act in the interest of Ohio's environment and are held accountable when they vote to support policies which harm our air, land, water or democracy. When election time comes, we remind voters where candidates stand on environmental protection, conservation, and climate, actively endorsing and supporting candidates who champion our issues.

We've created the OEC Action Fund Scorecard to hold lawmakers accountable for votes that damage our environment, and to celebrate our environmental champions. The scorecard is also a tool to educate the public on where their lawmakers stand on energy, water, public lands and democracy.

The narratives and scores included reflect the administration's and state lawmakers' actions on key environmental decisions and legislation during the 134th Ohio General Assembly, which spanned 2021 and 2022. We've also scored the action of the Ohio Redistricting Commission which failed to solidify constitutional maps for the 2022 election. You'll get to know some of Ohio's best environmental protectors and worst polluters.

We've given each chamber and the DeWine administration an overall score that takes into account their policy stances on our four key focus areas as well as an issue-area score. For the rest of the Ohio General Assembly members, you'll see how each member voted on our key legislation, actions they took to sponsor or co-sponsor legislation, and their overall score.

Most importantly, you'll see the environmental policy picture for the state of Ohio. We share our perspective on key legislation needed to ensure a healthier environment for all Ohioans.

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## A Message from the OEC Action Fund President

Welcome to the 3rd biennial Ohio Environmental Council Action Fund Scorecard!

The OEC Action Fund seeks a clean, beautiful Ohio where decision makers and public policies represent the environmental values of the majority of Ohio voters. To achieve this, we advance critical environmental priorities, hold decision makers accountable, work to elect climate champions, and pass park levies that expand access to public land.

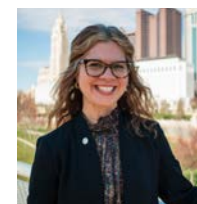
The 134th General Assembly was marked by trials and tribulations for Ohio's environment and our democracy. This last General Assembly supported the renewal of H2Ohio, one of the most comprehensive, science-based plans for clean water in state history. This innovative program and historic investment has set the stage for sustainable water quality improvements if funding and support can be maintained going forward. Unfortunately, the same General Assembly decided to undercut this investment by removing foundational protections for over 36,000 miles of ephemeral (rain dependent) streams in Ohio with the passage of House Bill 175.

The Legislature continues to fail at solidifying an "all of the above" energy policy for Ohio. After decades of energy policy that largely favors fossil fuels, Ohioans are ready for forward-looking, equitable clean energy solutions that are good for our economy, our communities, and our health. One positive measure that came out of this General Assembly was the passage of Senate Bill 61 which will ensure that Ohioans who live in communities with homeowners associations (HOA) can install solar panels if they chose to without restriction from their HOA.

The last two years were also marked by critical Ohio Supreme Court decisions affecting democracy and energy, including the court's oversight over Ohio's Redistricting Commission as well as a landmark decision approving North America's first freshwater offshore wind farm.

Thanks to our many OEC Action Fund supporters who have joined our fight to secure a healthier environment for all who call Ohio home. We hope you find this scorecard useful. Thank you for taking the time to get more informed about your elected leaders and joining us to help protect Ohio's natural resources and communities.

The fight to protect the environment has never been easy—but Ohio's future is worth it.



Yours in the fight,  
Carol Kauffman  
President



## Scorecard Methodology

The OEC Action Fund Scorecard is modeled off of the [National Environmental Scorecard](#) facilitated by the League of Conservation Voters to score environmental actions in Congress. The scorecard uses a very simple methodology and involves no weighting of certain bills over others. The Action Fund tracked votes and actions on bills which fell into our core advocacy areas of water, public lands, energy and democracy. We notified lawmakers in advance when they were being scored on a vote for a particular bill. In a few cases, lawmakers were not notified as a result of last minute changes to bills or votes being scheduled with little to no time for public comment.

### **Scoring Lawmakers**

For each bill the OEC Action Fund scored, we tracked the floor vote, the committee vote, and bill sponsors—including primary and cosponsors—at the time of bill introduction. If the bill was an anti-environment bill, we labeled the sponsorship and “yes” votes on the bill with the color red, representing negative actions and votes. Conversely, “no” votes on anti-environment bills were marked with green. If the bill was a pro-environment bill, we labeled the sponsorship and “yes” votes on the bill with the color green, representing positive actions and votes. “No” votes on pro-environment bills were marked with the color red.

To determine the final score for each lawmaker, we added up their total positive actions and the total negative actions. We then divided the number of positive actions by the total number of actions (positive and negative actions) to create a score between zero and one. For purposes of the scoresheet, we multiplied the score by 10 to create a whole number. Lawmakers who missed votes were not penalized in this scoring system, as missed votes were omitted from the calculation of the final score.

The scoring system was applied equally to all lawmakers. Lawmakers who cast fewer than five votes in the 134th Ohio General Assembly were not eligible to receive a score. The most recently serving member for each district is listed in our scoring spreadsheet. In a few cases in which a former lawmaker took more than 5 votes or actions, we included them in the scorecard as well.

### **Scoring House and Senate Chambers**

To determine the full chamber scores, we considered only bills which received a full floor vote. The rationale was for the chamber scores to reflect the leadership and majority of each chamber within the OGA. To calculate the chamber scores, we added up the total positive floor votes and the total negative floor votes.

We then divided the number of positive floor votes by the total number of floor votes to create a score which falls on a scale of zero to one. We then multiplied the score by 10 to create a whole number. Additionally, each chamber received a score for our main issue areas: democracy, energy, land, and water.

Though district numbers have changed with Ohio’s redistricting process, we have referred to legislative district numbers as they were during the 134th General Assembly.

### **Scoring Governor DeWine**

To determine Governor DeWine’s score, our advocacy teams identified and scored major administrative actions on a scale of zero to 10. To calculate the overall score, we added all of the action scores together and divided by the total number of actions. We followed the same process to calculate an average score for energy, land and water.

### **Scoring the Ohio Redistricting Commission**

The work of the Ohio Redistricting Commission is the single most impactful body that can positively or negatively impact the health of Ohio’s democracy by drawing state legislative maps through the redistricting process. A fair redistricting process is one that is devoid of political gerrymandering to ensure every

community has fair representation in state and national legislatures. The members of this body were scored for every vote they took regarding how fair or partisan those maps were. Those scores were combined to summarize the action of members of both parties as all votes were split down party lines.

### **A note about Secretary of State LaRose**

In past scorecards, the OEC Action Fund has not discussed nor scored the activities of the Ohio Secretary of State. However, after the many anti-democratic actions taken by Secretary of State LaRose over the past four years, including redistricting, the development of House Joint Resolution 6, and beyond, the OEC Action Fund intends to score the office moving forward. In this year’s scorecard, we will briefly discuss Secretary of State LaRose’s harmful actions toward democracy, foreshadowing what a complete Secretary of State scorecard may look like in the future.

As we continue developing our scorecard for current and future General Assemblies, we will refine our methodology and inform Legislators and relevant Statewide Officials of our adjustments.



# Summary of 2021-2022 Victories

Over the course of the 2021-2022, the OEC Action Fund was pleased to celebrate—and in many cases help secure—the following victories in the General Assembly and various state agencies for Ohio’s environment and our communities.

## WATER

- The H2Ohio program has invested over \$342 million on drinking water infrastructure and clean water initiatives since its creation in 2019 — that includes key finding provisions that were passed as part of the state budget bill (HB 110) during the 134th General Assembly. H2Ohio benefits Ohioans across the state by improving water quality from Lake Erie to the Ohio River.

## ENERGY

- Senate Bill 61 passed which prevents condo and homeowner associations from imposing unfair restrictions on homeowners that want to go solar. This important piece of legislation expands access to renewable energy for hundreds of thousands of Ohioans
- In 2022, the Ohio Supreme Court approved a key permit clearing the Icebreaker Wind Project to move forward. The Icebreaker Wind Project is an innovative six-turbine wind energy demonstration project in Lake Erie that would be the first freshwater offshore wind farm in Ohio, in the United States, and on the continent.
- House Bill 389, legislation to reestablish the energy waste reduction programs that were stripped away by House Bill 6, was passed out of committee. The bill was not passed by the House and Senate, but has been reintroduced as House Bill 79 in the 135th General Assembly.
- Ohio lawmakers repealed the portion of House Bill 6 that provided subsidies for FirstEnergy nuclear plants, as well as two other components of HB 6 that provided a windfall for FirstEnergy.

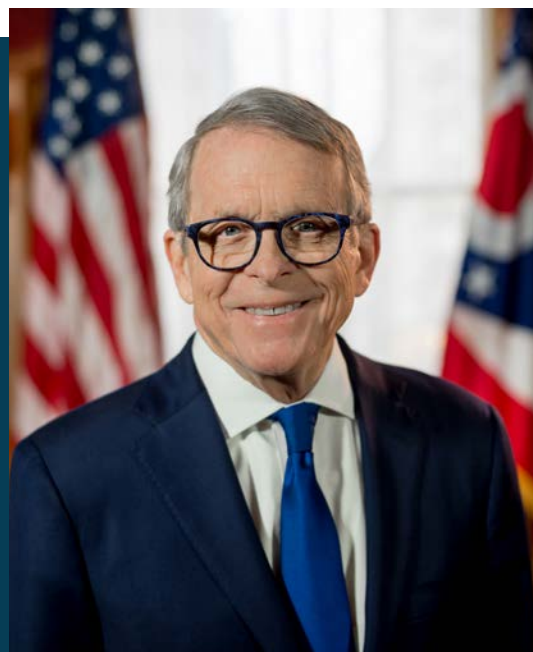
## PUBLIC LANDS

- Tucked in the state’s budget bill (House Bill 110) was approval for the Ohio Department of Natural Resources to designate 120 contiguous acres of mature hardwood forest as the “Doris Duke Woods Nature Preserve” at Malabar Farm State Park near Mansfield, OH.
- Additional public lands funding in the budget bill included the allocation of \$28 million to purchase the remainder of the AEP ReCreation Land in Southeastern Ohio and the allocation of \$500 million for brownfield revitalization to clean up contaminated sites throughout the state.

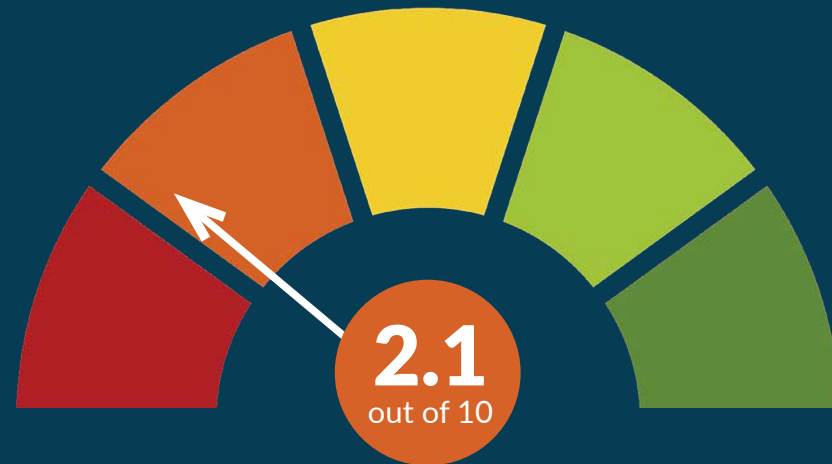
## DEMOCRACY

*There were several attacks on our democracy during the 134th General Assembly; we were able to secure some temporary victories which we’ve noted below.*

- The Ohio Supreme Court ruled seven times on Ohio’s statehouse and congressional district maps, finding them unconstitutionally gerrymandered every time. However, Ohio legislators undercut these important legal wins by defying the Court’s orders and appealing to the federal courts. The federal courts did not overturn the Ohio Supreme Court’s decisions, but it did allow elections to occur under unconstitutional maps for “administrative” ease.
- At the end of the 134th General Assembly, efforts to pass House Joint Resolution 6 were defeated by a coalition of more than 170 organizations. House Joint Resolution 6 directly attacked Ohioans’ right to direct democracy by making it more difficult to pass constitutional amendments. Unfortunately, this effort moved forward in 2023 making it on an August special election ballot as “Issue 1.”



# GOV. DEWINE & ADMINISTRATION



## ENERGY



## DEMOCRACY



## LAND



## WATER



While Governor DeWine started as a strong leader on land and water during his first two years, his leadership declined during the second half of his first term. The governor's lands legacy was severely undermined by allowing fracking on Ohio's public lands. However, at the same time his administration has championed the H2Ohio program, he also signed into law harmful water policies during the 134th General Assembly. On energy, DeWine made minor acts of defiance against utilities, but still strongly supports natural gas and fossil fuels while actively limiting the development of clean, renewable energy. His stance on democracy receives the lowest score possible given his support of anti-democratic issues. For all of these reasons, DeWine receives a low score in the OEC Action Fund's 2022 scorecard.

## ENERGY

Governor DeWine has shown a slight improvement in his energy score since our previous scorecard. DeWine stood up to utility companies and appointed Jenifer French to the PUCO chair in 2021. She is one of the only members on PUCO without ties to utility companies making her a step in the right direction for our utility commission.

Three bills that Gov. DeWine signed into show how he has failed Ohio in his energy policies. Gov. DeWine attacked renewable energy sources by signing Senate Bill 52 into law, placing greater restrictions on solar and wind energy development. No other energy producer in Ohio faces this same level of scrutiny, purposefully holding back Ohio's renewable energy sector.

At the same time DeWine attacked Ohio's renewable energy sector, he also promoted polluting, carbon-emitting energy sources. He signed House Bill 201 into law banning cities

from passing resolutions or changing zoning codes that would limit or prohibit access to natural gas despite no city in Ohio having passed a ban of this kind.

He also signed House Bill 507 into law. HB 507 started as an agricultural bill focused on poultry but quickly became a bill that included numerous unrelated subjects. In addition to opening up Ohio's Public state parks to fracking, HB 507 falsely classified natural gas as a source of green energy. Despite our veto requests, Governor DeWine signed this bad bill into law which benefits the oil and gas industry at the expense of Ohioans and our parks.

Overall, Governor DeWine achieved minor improvements in energy policy, but he ultimately earns a low score of 1.75 because of his administration's unwarranted protections of fossil fuels and attacks on renewable energy.

## LAND

When it comes to ensuring all Ohioans have access to vibrant public lands, Governor DeWine earns a low score. On the positive side, the DeWine administration has expanded our protected lands and built modern, sustainable facilities for park goers to enjoy nature. We were pleased to celebrate the opening of the Great Council State Park and the Hocking Hills State Park Lodge in 2022, as well as the nearly 7,000-acre expansion of the Appalachian Hills Wildlife Area to more than 50,000 acres.

Despite this expansion in protected land, the DeWine administration has conversely opened Ohio's state parks and public lands up to fracking. In addition to falsely classifying

natural gas as a source of green energy, HB 507 promotes polluting fossil fuel extraction efforts in our state's most beloved parks and wildlife areas. Fracking operations pose great risk to our environment and our neighbors: Fracking is a process that requires many different chemicals that, if improperly stored, can contaminate our public parks and put the health of our people at risk. Fracking sites are also incredibly noisy and produce large amounts of light, harming wildlife and disrupting the behavior of nocturnal creatures. Additionally, despite HB 507 being unconstitutional and against the interests of the people, the Governor chose to sign it into law, which lowered his score on land to only a 2.

## DEMOCRACY

Over the course of 2021 and 2022, Governor DeWine served on the Ohio Redistricting Commission, voting for unconstitutional Statehouse and Congressional maps that prioritized partisan power over people. Governor DeWine's votes were particularly egregious given public comments indicating, even with the very first map, that he had doubts regarding its constitutionality. Every map Governor DeWine voted for was invalidated by a bipartisan majority of the Ohio Supreme Court for giving unconstitutionally gerrymandered majorities to the Republican Party.

In addition to his poor performance on redistricting, Governor DeWine doubled down on subverting Ohio's democracy. In January 2023, DeWine signed House Bill 458 into law, a piece of legislation significantly impacting the ability of thousands of Ohioans to cast their vote. In particular, House Bill 458 implemented some of the strictest Voter ID laws in the nation, rather than expanding pathways for Ohioans to cast their ballot.

As a result of these efforts to undermine our democracy, Governor DeWine receives a score of 0.

## WATER

The DeWine administration has continued to champion historic investments to improve water quality and provide safe drinking water through the H2Ohio initiative. In July 2021, the Ohio General Assembly agreed to invest \$170 million in the initiative per biennium to support the work of the Ohio Dept. of Agriculture, Ohio Dept. of Natural Resources, the Ohio EPA, and the Lake Erie Commission.

Addressing the issue of nutrient pollution and the resulting toxic algae in Ohio's waterways is complex and the solutions must be multi-faceted. We thank Governor DeWine for his leadership on investing in solutions to Ohio's most pressing water quality challenges. We hope to support and build upon programs like H2Ohio in the 135th General Assembly as we work toward a more collaborative process to permanently clean up Lake Erie and every Ohio waterway. We must strengthen these efforts by pairing them with accountability

for specific measures of success, such as meeting nutrient reduction goals and securing more diverse voices at the table.

Unfortunately Governor DeWine did not defend Ohio's waterways from attacks throughout the 135th General Assembly. Specifically, DeWine signed House Bill 175 into law, harmful legislation which removed state-level protection for rain dependent streams known as "ephemeral streams." Providing funding to create new wetlands while allowing for smaller streams to be contaminated or destroyed undermines the broader water protection goals of the administration and isn't sound fiscal policy. If we want to have a robust policy for cleaning up Lake Erie and protecting our waterways, we cannot leave our small streams and wetlands unprotected. It is for this reason that Governor DeWine receives a mid-range score on water.



The Ohio Environmental Council Action Fund works to safeguard the integrity and accessibility of Ohio’s democracy. We advocate for a healthy democracy because, without a healthy democracy, we cannot have a healthy environment. In practice, working for a healthy democracy means that we protect and expand voting rights so all eligible Ohioans have an accessible path to vote. We also advocate for fair redistricting processes without political gerrymandering to ensure every community has fair representation in state and national legislatures. We must highlight the anti-democratic actions taken by the Ohio Redistricting Commission during the 134th General Assembly.

The Ohio Redistricting Commission passed more than a few gerrymandered maps over the course of its tenure in 2021 and 2022. While the Ohio Statehouse passed the first gerrymandered congressional map in 2021 (through Senate Bill 258), the Ohio Redistricting Commission similarly passed a gerrymandered congressional map in 2022. Every single map passed by the Ohio Redistricting Commission, statehouse or congressional, was found unconstitutional by the Ohio Supreme Court.

Importantly, the decisions of the Ohio Redistricting Commission followed partisan lines on almost every vote. The Republican members of the Commission intentionally ignored the Ohio Supreme Court’s rulings regarding gerrymandering, stalling the clock until federal courts intervened and enforced the most “administratively” usable map. The actions of the Republican Commission members were solely to benefit their party, rather than the people of Ohio. Their gerrymandered maps ignored communities of interest and ignored the will of Ohio voters, who overwhelmingly voted for anti-gerrymandering constitutional amendments in 2015 and 2018. Despite the ultimate Ohio Supreme Court’s ruling that these district maps are unconstitutional and gerrymandered, elections moved forward in November 2022 based upon these unconstitutionally drawn districts.

The minority Democrat members of the Commission, Senator Sykes, former House Minority Leader Sykes—and her replacement, current House Minority Leader Russo—continuously voted against every gerrymandered map. Their choices were in pursuit of fairness and democracy, rather than partisan power.

In 2022, Secretary of State Frank LaRose was elected to his second and final term. Throughout his tenure as Secretary of State, LaRose has taken a number of anti-democratic actions harmful to Ohioans and ultimately harmful to environmental progress in the state.

In no particular order, here is a non-exhaustive list of such actions:

- Attempted to split a proposed 2020 voting rights constitutional amendment into four different issues, a decision voted upon by the Ballot Board along party lines and ultimately overturned by the Ohio Supreme Court
- [Resisted off-site dropbox expansion](#) during the 2020 General Election
- Voted for five unconstitutionally gerrymandered State House district maps
- Voted for one unconstitutionally gerrymandered congressional district map
- Advocated for legislation like HB 294, which would have created additional barriers to voting for many Ohioans (many of its provisions ultimately found their way into HB 458)
- Advocated for HJR 6, a proposed constitutional amendment that would have significantly harmed Ohioans’ right to direct democracy
- [Supported unfounded claims](#) regarding voter fraud and the legitimacy of our elections

Over the past four years, it has become very clear that the Secretary of State’s office wields power that significantly impacts the democracy issues at the center of the OEC Action Fund’s work. For the remainder of Secretary of State LaRose’s tenure in the office, we will score his actions. And for these reasons, we will likely score all future Ohio Secretaries of State as well.

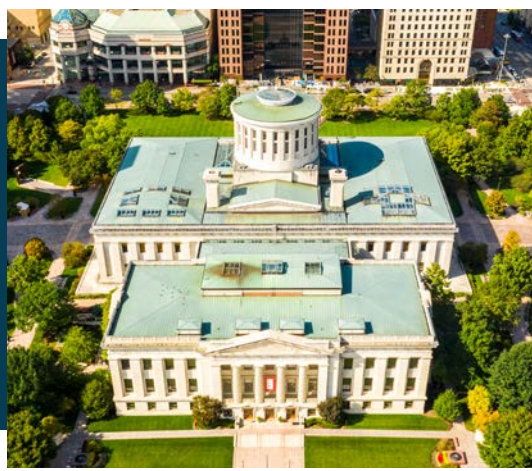
While we are not officially scoring Secretary of State Frank LaRose for the 134th General Assembly, it is safe to say his score would be particularly low, especially given the actions on the Ohio Redistricting Commission.



**Members of the Commission (September 2021):** Governor Mike DeWine (R), Secretary of State LaRose (R), Auditor Faber (R), House Speaker Cupp (R), Senate President Huffman (R), Senator Sykes (D), House Minority Leader Sykes (D)

**Members of the Commission (January - April 2022):** Governor Mike DeWine (R), Secretary of State LaRose (R), Auditor Faber (R), House Speaker Cupp (R), Senate President Huffman (R), Senator Sykes (D), House Minority Leader Russo (D)

**Members of the Commission (May 2022):** Governor Mike DeWine (R), Secretary of State LaRose (R), Auditor Faber (R), Representative Jeff LaRe (R), Senate Majority Whip Rob McColley (R), Senator Sykes (D), House Minority Leader Russo (D)



# OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY

*Despite minor steps forward, the Ohio House and Senate continued to pass policies that hurt our environment and weaken our democracy, causing both houses of the legislature to receive low scores during the 134th General Assembly.*

## ENERGY

The 134th General Assembly took some action to right some of the wrongs of the House Bill 6 scandal that occurred in the previous legislative session, but vestiges of the biggest corruption scandal in Ohio's history – including bailouts for dirty coal plants – remain on the books.

Both the House and Senate passed House Bill 87 which allows for county utilities to sign supply contracts that last for a period of greater than 10 years. This opens avenues for long-term renewable energy partnerships with the 10 year limit now removed.

Both the Ohio Senate and House passed Senate Bill 52, one of many attacks on renewable energy during a time when we need to transition to clean energy. The bill singles out renewable energy and decides to treat it differently in the regulatory approval process than all other forms of energy generation. It puts highest levels of regulation on wind and solar farms while carbon-polluting natural gas goes untouched.

House Bill 201 further compounds this problem. The bill bars local governments from passing resolutions that would limit or prohibit access to natural gas despite the fact that no city has put an ordinance like this in place. The legislature pushed a bill to solve a nonexistent problem and further protect gas industries rather than let the free and competitive markets develop and decide between renewable and fossil fuel energy.

Finally, House Bill 507 passed during the lame duck period, and was signed by Governor DeWine in early 2023, further protecting fossil fuel special interests. In addition to the serious implications this has for Ohio's public lands, legislators erroneously labeled natural gas as a source of green energy when amending and ultimately passing House Bill 507.

All three of these bills combine to show that the House and Senate are not acting in the interest of the people. They continue to serve fossil fuel companies first before they do what is best for the health of our people and the environment.

**Ohio House Energy Score: 2 / Ohio Senate Energy Score: 3.33**

## LAND

During the lame duck session, the Ohio House and Senate continuously added amendments to House Bill 507 altering it from a bill about poultry, to a policy that threatens our public lands. It is another attempt to encourage fracking in our state which will destroy our environment. For the threat that our legislature has posed to our public lands, we give the House and Senate the minimum possible score on lands policy.

**Ohio House Land Score: 0 / Ohio Senate Land Score: 0**

HOUSE



ENERGY

DEMOCRACY

LAND

WATER

SENATE



## DEMOCRACY

In 2021, the Ohio General Assembly passed Senate Bill 258, which implemented unconstitutionally gerrymandered congressional maps (as ruled upon by the Ohio Supreme Court).

House Bill 294, and its companion, House Bill 458, moved through lame duck session with the goal of creating new and harsher barriers for people attempting to vote in Ohio elections. HB 458 became the ultimate vehicle for these provisions when it was amended in the Senate to include strict voter identification provisions. Governor DeWine signed this bill in early 2023.

The Ohio House Government Oversight Committee also considered House Joint Resolution 6 during lame duck from November through December of 2022. Sponsored by Representative Brian Stewart with support from Secretary of State Frank LaRose, HJR 6 would have directly impacted Ohioans' right to direct democracy. While it didn't make it to the floor of the House, it did advance in the 135th General Assembly as SJR 2 and was on the August 8th, 2023 special election as "Issue 1".

For these reasons, we give the Ohio House and Senate the minimum possible score on democracy policy.

**Ohio House Democracy Score: 0 / Ohio Senate Democracy Score: 0**

## WATER

House Bill 175 passed both the House and the Senate and was signed into law, this bill removes ephemeral streams from Ohio's definition of protected waterways leaving over 36,000 miles of waterway at greater risk of being polluted, filled, or destroyed. This puts not only our streams, but our drinking water at risk, and undercuts the hundreds of millions of dollars provided by the H2Ohio program to create, restore and protect our waterways. For these reasons, we give the Ohio House and Senate the minimum possible score on water policy.

**Ohio House Water Score: 0 / Ohio Senate Water Score: 0**

# CHAMPIONS

These legislators have consistently stood up for Ohioans and our natural resources. Even in the face of immense dark money and pressure from polluting industries, these legislators helped lead the fight against the unconstitutional legislative maps, working to promote clean water and vibrant green spaces.



Rep. Jaunita Brent (D)  
District 12



Rep. Mary Lightbody (D)  
District 19



House Minority Leader Allison Russo (D)  
District 24



Rep. Casey Winstein (D)  
District 37



Sen. Vernon Sykes (D)  
District 28

# POLLUTERS

These legislators have consistently been a roadblock to improving Ohio's environment, especially when it comes to moving Ohio into a clean energy future. These legislators falsely pit economic prosperity and environmental protection against one another, placing corporate polluter interests ahead of Ohioans.



Rep. Brian Stewart (R)  
District 78



Rep. Shane Wilkin (R)  
District 91



Rep. Brett Hudson Hillyer (R)  
District 98



Sen. Rob McColley (R)  
District 1



Rep. Tim Schaffer (R)  
District 20

# Legislation Descriptions

Below is the list of legislation that the OEC Action Fund actively tracked and scored during the first half of the 2021-2022 General Assembly period. This list provides the House Bill (HB) and Senate Bill (SB) number, a brief description of each bill and the primary sponsor(s) for each bill. Bills with a green checkmark are pro-environmental bills and bills with a red X are anti-environmental bills. More information about each bill can be found at [www.legislature.ohio.gov](http://www.legislature.ohio.gov)

- ✔ **HB 10:** Repeals HB 6 (2019), revises electric utility service law
- ✔ **HB 18:** Repeals HB 6 (2019)
- ✔ **HB 47:** Requires electric car charging station grant rebate program
- ✔ **HB 57:** Repeals HB 6 (2019)
- ✔ **HB 58:** Regards electric utility excessive earnings determination
- ✔ **HB 87:** Exempts certain utility supply contracts from 10-year maximum
- ✘ **HB 118:** Regards wind farm applications, setbacks, and referenda (companion to SB 52)
- ✔ **HB 158:** Prohibit use of certain firefighting foam for testing/training
- ✘ **HB 175:** Deregulates ephemeral streams
- ✘ **HB 192:** Prohibits political subdivisions from prohibiting certain types of energy generation
- ✘ **HB 201:** Prevents local governments from limiting use of natural gas
- ✔ **HB 260:** Requires refunds to improperly charged utility customers
- ✘ **HB 271:** Establishes a natural gas infrastructure development program
- ✘ **HB 282:** Regards sale of brine from oil/gas operations as a commodity
- ✘ **HB 285:** Regards intervention/representation in actions challenging laws
- ✘ **HB 286:** Changes the venue for appeal from an agency order
- ✘ **HB 294:** Enacts Ohio Election Security and Modernization Act
- ✔ **HB 299:** Enacts Consumer Utility Billing Transparency Act
- ✔ **HB 300:** Bans removal of oil or natural gas from bed of Lake Erie
- ✔ **HB 301:** Designates Ohio Public Lands Day
- ✔ **HB 302:** Alters the minimum setback for certain wind farms
- ✔ **HB 317:** Repeal electric security plans; revise electric service law
- ✔ **HB 351:** Repeals certain utility cost recovery mechanisms; provide refunds
- ✔ **HB 365:** Requires adoption of certain water quality standards
- ✘ **HB 385:** Impractically prohibits municipal wastewater and storm water discharge permits in the Western Lake Erie Basin
- ✔ **HB 389:** Regards energy efficiency and peak demand reduction portfolios
- ✔ **HB 429:** Energy Jobs & Justice Act - regards clean energy and energy justice
- ✔ **HB 450:** Allows development of community solar projects
- ✘ **HB 458:** Eliminate August special elections except for US House nomination and enact new voter ID laws
- ✘ **HB 479:** Declares intent to establish Congressional districts
- ✘ **HB 483:** Declares intent to establish Congressional districts
- ✘ **HB 507:** Classifies natural gas as green energy and allows leasing public lands for fracking
- ✘ **HB 616:** Regards promotion, teaching-divisive, inherently racist concepts
- ✔ **HB 649:** Designate Pollinator Week
- ✔ **HB 669:** Create the Healthy Soils Task Force
- ✘ **HCR 5:** State resolution to oppose the voting rights bill in Congress (HR 1 - 117th Congress)
- ✘ **HJR 4:** Prohibit local government from allowing non-electors to vote
- ✘ **HJR 6:** Require 60% vote for initiated constitutional amendment
- ✔ **HR 69:** Expels Representative Larry Householder
- ✔ **HR 70:** Expels Representative Larry Householder
- ✔ **SB 20:** Exempts certain utility supply contracts from 10-year maximum
- ✘ **SB 29:** Eliminates auto-enrollment - electric and gas aggregation
- ✔ **SB 32:** Establishes electric vehicle charging station grant rebate program
- ✘ **SB 44:** Revise certain provisions of HB 6 (2019)
- ✘ **SB 52:** Revises law governing wind farms and solar facilities
- ✔ **SB 61:** Regards condos, planned communities, and the New Community Law
- ✔ **SB 83:** Requires EPA to conduct a study to determine brownfields
- ✔ **SB 84:** Regards Clean Ohio Revitalization Fund
- ✔ **SB 89:** Regards renewable energy sources
- ✔ **SB 95:** Requires refunds to utility customers for improper charges
- ✔ **SB 96:** Prevents disruption of utility service during COVID-19
- ✔ **SB 117:** Repeals legacy generations resource provisions of HB 6 (2019)
- ✘ **SB 127:** Prevents local governments from limiting use of natural gas
- ✘ **SB 171:** Regards sale of brine from oil or gas operations as a commodity
- ✔ **SB 193:** Prohibit political subdivision lien for unpaid water charges
- ✔ **SB 237:** Establishes Congressional district boundaries
- ✘ **SB 258:** Declares intent to establish Congressional districts
- ✔ **SB 307:** Authorizes EV incentives
- ✔ **SB 313:** Revises coastal management law
- ✔ **SJR 2:** Issues bonds to fund clean water improvements



# 134TH OHIO GENERAL ASSEMBLY INDIVIDUAL SCORES

## HOUSE

District	Representative	Score (out of 10)
1	Rep. Scott Wiggam (R)	1.43
2	Rep. Marilyn S. John (R)	2.67
3	Rep. Haraz N. Ghanbari (R)	3.85
4	Rep. Robert R. Cupp (R)	1.82
5	Rep. Timothy Ginter (R)	1.58
6	Rep. Phil Robinson (D)	10.00
7	Rep. Thomas Patton (R)	2.00
8	Rep. Kent Smith (D)	10.00
9	FORMER Rep. Janine Boyd (D)	10.00
10	Rep. Terrence Upchurch (D)	10.00
11	Rep. Shayla Davis (D)	DNQ
11	FORMER Rep. Stephanie Howse (D)	10.00
12	Rep. Juanita Brent (D)	10.00
13	Rep. Michael Skindell (D)	10.00
14	Rep. Bride Rose Sweeney (D)	9.33
15	Rep. Jeffrey Crossman (D)	10.00
16	Rep. Monique Smith (D)	10.00
17	Rep. Adam C. Miller (D)	10.00
18	Rep. Kristin Boggs (D)	10.00
19	Rep. Mary Lightbody (D)	10.00
20	Rep. Richard Brown (D)	8.95
21	Rep. Beth Liston (D)	10.00
22	Rep. David Leland (D)	10.00
23	Rep. Laura Lanese (R)	6.88
24	Rep. C. Allison Russo (D)	10.00
25	Rep. Dontavius L. Jarrells (D)	10.00

District	Representative	Score (out of 10)
26	Rep. Latyna Humphrey (D)	10.00
26	FORMER Rep. Erica C. Crawley (D)	10.00
27	Rep. Tom Brinkman (R)	2.50
28	Rep. Jessica E. Miranda (D)	9.23
29	Rep. Cindy Abrams (R)	1.25
30	Rep. William Seitz (R)	1.20
31	Rep. Brigid Kelly (D)	10.00
32	Rep. Catherine D. Ingram (D)	8.33
33	Rep. Sedrick Denson (D)	10.00
34	Rep. Emilia Strong Sykes (D)	10.00
35	Rep. Tavia Galonski (D)	10.00
36	Rep. Bob Young (R)	1.43
37	Rep. Casey Weinstein (D)	10.00
38	Rep. Bill Roemer (R)	1.67
39	Rep. Willis E. Blackshear Jr. (D)	10.00
40	Rep. Phil Plummer (R)	1.54
41	Rep. Andrea White (R)	2.14
42	Rep. Tom Young (R)	1.67
43	Rep. Rodney Creech (R)	1.76
44	FORMER Rep. Paula Hicks-Hudson (D)	10.00
45	Rep. Elgin Rogers, Jr. (D)	DNQ
45	Rep. Lisa Sobecki (D)	10.00
46	Rep. Michael Sheehy (D)	9.44
47	Rep. Derek Merrin (R)	0.83
48	Rep. Scott Oelslager (R)	1.82
49	Rep. Thomas West (D)	10.00

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50	Rep. Reggie Stoltzfus (R)	2.50
51	Rep. Sara Carruthers (R)	0.71
52	Rep. Jennifer Gross (R)	2.67
53	Rep. Thomas Hall (R)	1.54
54	Rep. Paul Zeltwanger (R)	2.86
55	Rep. Gayle Manning (R)	4.29
56	Rep. Joseph A. Miller (D)	7.65
57	Rep. Dick Stein (R)	2.00
58	Rep. Michele Lepore-Hagan (D)	10.00
59	Rep. Al Cutrona (R)	0.67
60	Rep. Daniel P. Troy (D)	9.50
61	Rep. Jamie Callender (R)	2.14
62	Rep. P. Scott Lipps (R)	1.54
63	Rep. Mike Loychik (R)	2.31
64	Rep. Michael J. O'Brien (D)	9.44
65	Rep. Jean Schmidt (R)	2.14
66	Rep. Adam C. Bird (R)	2.00
67	Rep. Kris Jordan (R)	1.82
68	FORMER Rep. Rick Carfagna (R)	3.85
68	Rep. Shawn Stevens (R)	0.0
69	Rep. Sharon A. Ray (R)	3.33
70	Rep. Darrell Kick (R)	1.88
71	Rep. Mark Fraizer (R)	2.14
72	Rep. Kevin Miller (R)	0.00
72	FORMER Rep. Larry Householder (R)	2.00
73	Rep. Brian E. Lampton (R)	2.31

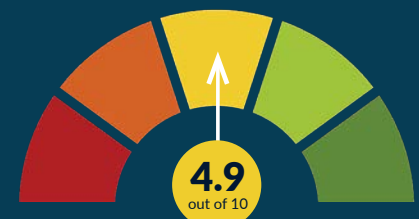
District	Representative	Score (out of 10)
74	Rep. Bill Dean (R)	2.86
75	Rep. Gail K. Pavliga (R)	2.73
76	Rep. Diane V. Grendell (R)	2.31
77	Rep. Jeff LaRe (R)	1.67
78	Rep. Brian Stewart (R)	3.3
79	Rep. J. Kyle Koehler (R)	4.29
80	Rep. Jena Powell (R)	1.67
81	Rep. James Hoops (R)	2.86
82	Rep. Craig S. Riedel (R)	1.67
83	Rep. Jon Cross (R)	1.67
84	Rep. Susan Manchester (R)	2.73
85	Rep. A. Nino Vitale (R)	2.86
86	Rep. Tracy Richardson (R)	1.67
87	Rep. Riordan T. McClain (R)	1.33
88	Rep. Gary Click (R)	1.88
89	Rep. D.J. Swearingen (R)	1.11
90	Rep. Brian Baldrige (R)	2.00
91	Rep. Shane Wilkin (R)	1.50
92	Rep. Mark Johnson (R)	2.50
93	Rep. Jason Stephens (R)	1.88
94	Rep. Jay Edwards (R)	2.14
95	Rep. Don Jones (R)	0.63
96	Rep. Ron Ferguson (R)	4.00
97	Rep. Adam Holmes (R)	2.31
98	Rep. Brett Hudson Hillyer (R)	1.76
99	Rep. Sarah Fowler Arthur (R)	1.18

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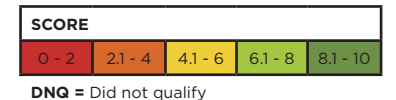
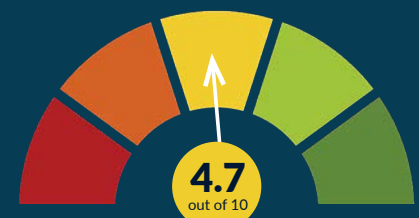
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1	Sen. Rob McColley (R)	1.88
2	Sen. Theresa Gavarone (R)	3.16
3	Sen. Tina Maharath (D)	10.00
4	Sen. George Lang (R)	2.14
5	Sen. Steve Huffman (R)	2.86
6	Sen. Niraj Antani (R)	3.33
7	Sen. Steve Wilson (R)	2.00
8	Sen. Louis Blessing (R)	2.86
9	Sen. Cecil Thomas (D)	9.41
10	Sen. Bob Hackett (R)	3.13
11	Sen. Teresa Fedor (D)	9.38
12	Sen. Matt Huffman (R)	2.50
13	Sen. Nathan Manning (R)	3.16
14	Sen. Terry Johnson (R)	2.31
15	Sen. Hearcel Craig (D)	9.41
16	Sen. Stephanie Kunze (R)	4.12
17	Sen. Bob Peterson (R)	4.29
18	Sen. Jerry Cirino (R)	2.86
19	Sen. Andy Brenner (R)	2.94
20	Sen. Tim Schaffer (R)	2.50
21	FORMER Sen. Sandra Williams (D)	9.38
21	Sen. Dale Martin (D)	DNQ
22	Sen. Mark Romanchuk (R)	2.86
23	Sen. Nickie Antonio (D)	9.41
24	Sen. Matt Dolan (R)	5.33
25	Sen. Kenny Yuko (D)	9.41

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26	Sen. Bill Reineke (R)	2.00
27	Sen. Kristina Roegner (R)	2.50
28	Sen. Vernon Sykes (D)	9.00
29	Sen. Kirk Schuring (R)	1.67
30	Sen. Frank Hoagland (R)	3.75
31	Sen. Jay Hottinger (R)	2.50
32	Sen. Sandra O'Brien (R)	2.86
33	Sen. Michael Rulli (R)	3.68

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1	Sen. Rob McColley (R)			Yes			Primary Sponsor	Yes	Yes	Yes				Yes										Primary Sponsor		Yes		Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes		1.88		
2	Sen. Theresa Gavarone (R)		Yes	Yes					Yes	Yes				Yes											Yes	Yes	Primary Sponsor	Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3.16	
3	Sen. Tina Maharath (D)		Yes	Yes					No	No		Co-Sponsor	Yes	Yes	Co-Sponsor		Primary Sponsor	Co-Sponsor					Co-Sponsor		No	No		Yes	Yes	No	No		No Vote				No	No		No Vote		No Vote		10.00		
4	Sen. George Lang (R)			Yes			Co-Sponsor		Yes	Yes				Yes										Primary Sponsor		Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes		2.14		
5	Sen. Steve Huffman (R)			Yes					Yes	Yes			Yes	Yes												Yes			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2.86		
6	Sen. Niraj Antani (R)			Yes					No	Yes				Yes												Yes		Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3.33		
7	Sen. Steve Wilson (R)			Yes	Co-Sponsor			Yes	Yes	Yes				Yes												Yes			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2.00		
8	Sen. Louis Blessing (R)			Yes					Yes	Yes	Primary Sponsor			Yes										Co-Sponsor		Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2.86		
9	Sen. Cecil Thomas (D)			Yes					No	No		Co-Sponsor		Yes	Co-Sponsor		Co-Sponsor	Co-Sponsor					Co-Sponsor		No		Yes		No		No		No		No	No		No	No		No	Yes	9.41			
10	Sen. Bob Hackett (R)	Primary Sponsor		Yes					Yes	Yes			Yes	Yes										Co-Sponsor		Yes			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3.13		
11	Sen. Teresa Fedor (D)			Yes				No	No	No			Yes	Yes										Co-Sponsor		No Vote	Co-Sponsor	Yes	No	No	No	No	No		No Vote			No		No		Yes	9.38			
12	Sen. Matt Huffman (R)			Yes					Yes	Yes				Yes												Yes			Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2.50		
13	Sen. Nathan Manning (R)		Yes	Yes					Yes	Yes				Yes											Yes	Yes	Co-Sponsor	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	3.16	
14	Sen. Terry Johnson (R)			Yes					Yes	Yes				Yes										Co-Sponsor		Yes			Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2.31	
15	Sen. Hearcel Craig (D)			Yes				No	No	No				Yes			Co-Sponsor	Co-Sponsor	Primary Sponsor				Co-Sponsor		No		Yes	Yes	No	No	No	No	No		No	No		No	No		No	Yes	9.41			
16	Sen. Stephanie Kunze (R)		Yes	Yes					No	No				Yes											Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No Vote	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4.12		
17	Sen. Bob Peterson (R)			Yes					No	No			Yes	Yes												Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	4.29		
18	Sen. Jerry Cirino (R)		Yes	Yes			Co-Sponsor	Yes	Yes	Yes				Yes											Yes	Yes	Co-Sponsor	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2.86	
19	Sen. Andy Brenner (R)			Yes			Co-Sponsor	Yes	Yes	Yes		Co-Sponsor		Yes	Co-Sponsor										Yes			Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2.94		
20	Sen. Tim Schaffer (R)			Yes			Co-Sponsor		Yes	Yes			Yes	Yes										Co-Sponsor		Yes			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2.50	
21	FORMER Sen. Sandra Williams (D)			Yes				No	No	No		Primary Sponsor		Yes	Primary Sponsor				Primary Sponsor					Co-Sponsor		No		Yes		No	No	No					No			No	Yes	9.38				
21	Sen. Dale Martin (D)								Not Yet Appt.	Not Yet Appt.				Not Yet Appt.												Not Yet Appt.		Not Yet Appt.		Not Yet Appt.		Not Yet Appt.		Not Yet Appt.		Not Yet Appt.		Not Yet Appt.		Not Yet Appt.		Not Yet Appt.		DNQ		
22	Sen. Mark Romanchuk (R)			Yes				Yes	Yes	Yes				Yes										Primary Sponsor		No Vote		Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2.67
23	Sen. Nickie Antonio (D)			Yes					No	No	Primary Sponsor	Co-Sponsor		Yes	Co-Sponsor				Co-Sponsor					Co-Sponsor		No		Yes		No		No		No	No		No	No		No	Yes	9.41				
24	Sen. Matt Dolan (R)			Yes				No	No	No				Yes		Primary Sponsor										Yes			Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	5.33	
25	Sen. Kenny Yuko (D)			Yes					No	No		Co-Sponsor		Yes	Co-Sponsor			Co-Sponsor	Co-Sponsor					Primary Sponsor		No	Primary Sponsor		Yes		No		No		No	No		No		No	Yes	9.41				

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26	Sen. Bill Reineke (R)			Yes				Primary Sponsor	Yes	Yes	Yes				Yes													Yes		Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes		2.00		
27	Sen. Kristina Roegner (R)			Yes						Yes	Yes			Yes														Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes		2.50		
28	Sen. Vernon Sykes (D)		Yes	Yes						No	No			Yes					Co-Sponsor				Primary Sponsor		No	No		Yes	Yes		No		No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	Yes	Yes		Yes		9.00	
29	Sen. Kirk Schuring (R)			Yes				Co-Sponsor	Yes	Yes	Yes			No Vote									Co-Sponsor				Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes		No Vote	No Vote		Yes		Yes		Yes		1.67			
30	Sen. Frank Hoagland (R)			Yes		Primary Sponsor			No	No	No			Yes													Yes		Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes		3.75		
31	Sen. Jay Hottinger (R)			Yes						Yes	Yes			Yes													Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes		2.50		
32	Sen. Sandra O'Brien (R)		Yes	Yes						Yes	Yes			Yes	Yes								Co-Sponsor			Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	2.86
33	Sen. Michael Rulli (R)			Yes		Primary Sponsor	Co-Sponsor			Yes	Yes			Yes	Yes	Primary Sponsor											Yes	Co-Sponsor		Yes		Yes		Yes	Yes		Yes	Yes		Yes		Yes		Yes		3.68	



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