


1997
ENVIRONMENTAL
SCORECARD
FOR THE
OREGON
LEGISLATURE

A stylized landscape illustration in white and light green. It features a range of jagged mountains in the background. A single bird is shown in flight on the left side of the sky. The overall background of the top half is a teal color.

OREGON LEAGUE OF
CONSERVATION VOTERS

A school of fish illustration in dark green. The fish are stylized and arranged in a loose, scattered pattern across the lower half of the page. The background of this section is a darker teal color.

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A Message from the Executive Director

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Two facts stand out when thinking about the 1997 Scorecard for the Oregon Legislature.

First, the good news: We finished the 1997 Legislative Session without major damage to Oregon's environmental laws. As the Scorecard demonstrates, conservationists won key votes on the House floor to protect Oregon's farm and forest land from suburban sprawl, to protect Smith Rock State Park, and to protect water quality.

In addition, our grassroots pressure also helped prevent scores of other bad bills from ever reaching the floor. These included efforts to close or privatize some of our State Parks, efforts to give polluters new loopholes with which to evade pollution standards, and efforts to weaken water quality standards designed to protect salmon. OLCV also led a grassroots coalition of more than twenty groups who successfully lobbied against a resolution that would have put a so-called "takings" measure on the November 1998 ballot. This extreme "takings" measure would have required taxpayers to pay developers and other polluters a massive windfall of tens of millions of dollars just so that they would follow basic environmental safeguards.

Second, the bad news: The builders, developers, and other polluters who failed in their efforts in the Legislature won't sit on their hands until 1999. The Oregon Supreme Court threw out Oregon's campaign finance reform law that was in effect during 1996. We expect a return to the "no holds barred" world of 1994 when developers, timber interests, and mining companies poured an estimated two million dollars into Oregon's political process.

And look what it bought them. In the last two Legislative sessions, OLCV has been able to find only one vote to Score where "yes" is the pro-environment vote. Polluting interests have created an effective veto over any pro-environment legislation.

Why?

Three simple reasons:

First, citizens who support the environment don't vote often enough, and too few of us place the environment high on our priority list when voting. Statistics we helped compile last year in Oregon show that only about 50% of environmental group members are regular voters. Few environmental voters take the time to seek out good information on where candidates stand on environmental issues. The fact that you're reading this Scorecard means you're doing better than average.



Second, environmentalists don't commit enough resources, either human or monetary, to the electoral process. Too few volunteer. Too few give money. Too few run for office themselves.

Third, opponents of environmental protection got smarter about their message. They don't openly declare their intent to weaken clean air laws - they talk about streamlining government. They don't campaign on behalf of less water quality protection - they talk about getting government out of our lives.

The current legislative Scorecard bears this out. While not as bad as 1995, the 1997 Session was dominated by repeated efforts to weaken Oregon's environmental laws. Just read through the votes and note the loopholes and favors for mining interests, the timber industry, utilities, agribusiness, developers, and more.

The good news is that public opinion polls continue to show broad public support for maintaining and strengthening existing environmental safeguards. The good news is that people like you who take the time to read this Scorecard will "know the score" and, we hope, will decide to take action.

Here are four easy things you can do to turn things around in the Legislature:

1. Take action by joining and supporting the Oregon League of Conservation Voters, the political arm of Oregon's environmental movement.
2. Take action by making sure your friends and neighbors "Know the Score" of their Representative and Senator. Share the Scorecard with at least five friends and neighbors.
3. Take action with your vote, by supporting pro-environment candidates at the local, state, and federal level.
4. Take action by making the pledge to become "more political" this year than you were last year.

Our children's future depends upon it.



Jonathan Poisner
Executive Director

The Oregon League of Conservation Voters Scorecard

This is the 13th Environmental Scorecard on the Oregon Legislature, covering legislative sessions from 1973 to 1997. The Scorecard provides objective, factual information about the voting records of Representatives and Senators for the 1997 Oregon Legislature. OLCV's mission is to educate the public about the voting records of elected officials and to hold those elected officials accountable.

HOW THE SCORECARD VOTES WERE CHOSEN

Experts from Oregon's environmental organizations made recommendations to OLCV suggesting what votes should be included in the Scorecard. A volunteer committee then reviewed these recommendations to identify those votes where legislators were forced to choose whether or not to protect the environment.

The Scorecard is designed to measure a legislator's true commitment to environmental protection. Therefore, following our long-standing policy, the Scorecard does not include votes where there was no voiced opposition to a seemingly pro-environment position or where the bills represented a compromise agreed to by both environmentalists and industry. As a result, unanimous or virtually unanimous votes were excluded because these votes do not show when legislators were forced to make a choice to protect the

environment.

In addition, based on long-standing policy, votes were not selected if their was confusion regarding a bill's impact on the environment. For this reason, the Scorecard excludes the legislature's unfortunate vote to cut 41% from Oregon's support of the operating budget of the Columbia River Gorge Commission. In that vote, which happened in the last couple days of the Session, many legislators were under the mistaken impression that the cuts in the Gorge budget were going to be "fixed" in a separate appropriations bill.

The final decision for what votes to Score was made by a vote of the Board of Directors of the Oregon League of Conservation Voters. We wish to thank the many volunteers who helped compile and review the Scorecard information for their valuable input.

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OVERVIEW OF THE SESSION

The Session was dominated by efforts to weaken Oregon's environmental safeguards. While the level of rhetoric was much lower than in 1995, scores of bills were introduced and pushed in committee that would have unraveled Oregon's environmental safety net.

The anti-environment attacks came from all directions. Early in the ses-

sion, OLCV was monitoring more than 200 anti-environment bills.

We've included votes on 20 of the worst in this Scorecard. In contrast, the OLCV Board was only able to find one bill which was allowed to come up for a vote which advanced the cause of conservation over any opposition. It would require courts to accept legal briefs filed on recycled paper, a not insignificant bill given the quantity of paper used in the legal profession. Amazingly, 17 Representatives and Senators opposed even this common sense measure.

The good news is this one bill was an improvement over 1995, when we were unable to find any good bills to rate in the Scorecard. The public should not, however, be under the mistaken impression that such bills weren't introduced. Many common sense bills were introduced to address concerns about water quality, recycling, logging-caused landslides, and control of suburban sprawl. Yet, only a couple were even given a public hearing.

The session bears out a simple truth: polluting industries in Oregon continue to hold an effective veto power over passing any legislation that makes environmental progress.

Yet, it could have been worse. Several of the anti-environment bills rated in the Scorecard went down to defeat in the Oregon House, where there appeared to be a narrow majority that would vote against any major weakening of Oregon's environmental laws. Conservationists scored victories defeating bills that would have threatened Smith Rock State Park, weakened instream water rights designed to save fish, and

removed the authority of the Land Conservation and Development Commission to ensure local land use decisions protect the environment.

Unfortunately, the tenuous pro-environment majority disappeared at least eight times on bills that instead created loopholes to benefit a particular industry or activity. In addition, protection of the Columbia Gorge took a serious blow as the legislature dramatically cut funding for the Gorge Commission, threatening the Gorge with sprawling development.

As for the Senate, there was nothing remotely close to a pro-environment majority. Every anti-environment bill that came to the Senate floor passed.

In the end, the Governor vetoed 5 of the 8 bills OLCV is rating which passed both the House and Senate.

Overall, the rated average in the House was 44%, up from the 37% average of 1995. In contrast, the Senate average was 32%, slightly worse than the 34% average in 1995.

AVERAGE SCORES

	HOUSE	SENATE
1997	44%	32%
1995	37%	34%
1993	35%	64%

ENVIRONMENTAL HONOR ROLL 100% RATED LEGISLATORS

REPRESENTATIVE CHRIS BECK
REPRESENTATIVE JO ANN BOWMAN
REPRESENTATIVE MARGARET CARTER
REPRESENTATIVE FLOYD PROZANSKI
SENATOR KATE BROWN
SENATOR SUSAN CASTELLO

ENVIRONMENTAL DISHONOR ROLL 0% RATED LEGISLATORS

REPRESENTATIVE BILL MAUKHAM
REPRESENTATIVE MARK SIMMONS
REPRESENTATIVE RON SUNSERI
REPRESENTATIVE LIZ VANLEEUVEN
SENATOR TED FERRIGLI
SENATOR GARY GEORGE
SENATOR MARYLIN SHANNON

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AIR QUALITY BILLS

Vote 1: HB 2937
Air Quality

This bill would have effectively exempted Columbia and Yamhill Counties from any efforts by the

Department of Environmental Quality to expand vehicle inspection and maintenance programs into the counties as part of its plan to maintain the Portland area's clean air. Studies show the air from these counties are part of the Portland area's air quality problem. Arbitrarily removing automobiles from these counties from clean air efforts is unfair to others who would be forced to take more action as a result.

HB 2937:
HOUSE PASSED 36-20 • APRIL 4TH
SENATE PASSED 16-13 • JUNE 5TH
Vetoed by the Governor.

Vote 2: HB 3455
Air Quality

This bill prohibits the Department of Environmental Quality from expanding its inspection & maintenance program to include certain heavy duty diesel trucks. While DEQ currently doesn't include these trucks under the I&M program, it is considering doing so as necessary to meet newly strengthened federal air quality standards. To legislatively prevent DEQ from reducing this pollution source would unfairly require extra efforts by other sources.

HB 3455:
HOUSE PASSED 40-8 • June 9th
SENATE PASSED 19-10 • June 19th
Vetoed by the Governor

MINING BILLS

Vote 3: HB 2402
Mining in Scenic Waterways

This bill would expand allowed placer mining in scenic waterways. The conservation community believes it

violates both the spirit and intent of the voter-passed Scenic Waterways law which set aside such rivers from these types of activities.

HB 2409

HOUSE ○ PASSED 45-14 • April 10th
 SENATE ○ PASSED 21-6 • May 13th
It was signed by the Governor and became law.

Vote 4: SB 343

Mining in Salmon Habitat

This bill would expand mining in essential salmon habitat. "Recreational" suction dredge mining of this type in salmon streams severely impacts the gravel beds that salmon require for spawning. The conservation community believes it is inconsistent to place more salmon habitat at risk while simultaneously investing significant resources in salmon recovery.

SB 343:

SENATE ○ PASSED 17-10 • April 17th
 HOUSE ○ PASSED 34-17 • June 20th
It was signed by the Governor and became law.

SALMON AND FISH PASSAGE BILLS

Vote 5: HB 2607

Fish Passage

As of the 4/17 House vote, this bill would have exempted a specific project, the Joe Ney water project, from existing law requiring fish passage facilities be provided as part of the permits for any water obstruction. The conservation community thought this exemption for a specific project was inconsistent with current

salmon recovery efforts which emphasize better enforcement of existing laws.

HB 2607:

HOUSE ○ PASSED 47-9 • April 17th

The bill was later modified to include an exemption for all dams where the Fish & Wildlife Commission finds alternative mitigation that provides a net benefit to fish. It was opposed by some environmental groups in this form, but not others. The bill passed the Senate and House in this modified form and was signed by the Governor.

Vote 6: SB 595

Fish Passage

This bill would have exempted the proposed Milltown Hill dam in Douglas County from existing law requiring fish passage facilities be provided as part of permits for any new dam. The proposed dam would block up to 16 miles of high-quality habitat for the endangered Umpqua Cutthroat trout, steelhead, and coho salmon. The conservation community thought this exemption for a specific project was inconsistent with current salmon recovery efforts which emphasize better enforcement of existing laws.

SB 595:

SENATE ○ PASSED 25-5 • March 25th
It never came up for a vote in the House.

Vote 7: SB 1086

Salmon Protection

This bill would have altered the state Endangered Species Act to effective-

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ly exclude protection of areas under rivers, thus removing aquatic species, like salmon, from coverage of the state ESA.

SB 1086:

SENATE ◻ PASSED 20-7 • May 2nd
It never came up for a vote in the House.

WATER RESOURCES

Vote 8: HB 2582
Instream Water Rights

This bill would have reduced to zero the fee charged to parties who challenge the issuance of water rights for instream purposes, thus making it more difficult to issue such rights. The Department of Fish & Wildlife uses these rights as a tool to keep sufficient water in streams to protect fish. The bill was one-sided in that public advocates would still have to pay a fee to challenge out-of-stream water withdrawals for irrigation or industrial uses.

HB 2582:
HOUSE ◻ FAILED 20-30 • May 16th

Vote 9: SB 464
Groundwater Protection

The bill would have severely limited the Water Resources Department's ability to protect groundwater aquifers from excessive groundwater pumping. In many Willamette Valley communities excessive groundwater pumping has already caused the water table to drop.

SB 464:
SENATE ◻ PASSED 21-6 • April 9th
It was later modified in the House to remove the objectionable provisions.

RECYCLING BILLS

Vote 10: HB 2402
Court System Recycling

This pro-environment bill would require the courts to accept recycled paper submissions. While in some sense this seems trivial, the volume of paper effected is very large.

HB 2402:
HOUSE ◻ PASSED 42-9 • June 19th
SENATE ◻ PASSED 21-8 • June 20th
The Governor signed this bill.

Why not rate the salmon plan?

Excluded from OLCV's 1997 Scorecard are three bills that collectively implement the Governor's Coastal Salmon Recovery Initiative, which commits \$30 million to salmon restoration efforts. During the session, there was considerable support expressed for these bills not because they would save salmon, but because they would forestall even stronger federal efforts to protect endangered coho salmon. The overwhelming consensus within the conservation community is that the Governor's plans' reliance on voluntary efforts is unlikely on its own to lead to recovery of coho salmon absent significant changes to both the Oregon Forest Practices Act and to agricultural practices, something this Legislature refused to even bring up for a public hearing.

All three bills eventually passed both the House and Senate with virtually unanimous votes. None experienced any opposition. OLCV's long-standing policy is not to rate bills that are unanimous or near-unanimous because they are not evidence of a legislator's true commitment to protecting Oregon's environment.



Vote 11: SB 1044
Glass Recycling

This bill would have weakened rules relating to glass recycling leading to a likely reduction in glass recycling rates. Oregon's recycling laws need strengthening, not weakening, if the state is to reach its recycling goal.

SB 1044:

SENATE ○ PASSED 16-13 • May 28th
The bill was later modified in the House and became law in a form that will make minor improvements to glass recycling in the state.

LAND USE BILLS**Vote 12: SB 379**
Forestland Protection

This bill would have dramatically expanded the number of homes that could be built in designated forest land in the state, contributing to rural sprawl.

SB 379:

SENATE ○ PASSED 22-6 • April 28th
HOUSE ○ PASSED 31-27 • June 28th
The bill was vetoed by the Governor.

Vote 13: SB 879
Smith Rock State Park

This bill would have weakened state land use safeguards for the benefit of a single proposed resort in central Oregon. The resort would mar the scenic beauty of nearby Smith Rock State Park, overwhelm its already overburdened trails, and threaten local wildlife.

SB 879:

SENATE ○ PASSED 23-7 • May 28th
HOUSE ○ FAILED 19-38 • July 4th

Vote 14: HB 2493
Metro Planning

This bill as originally passed by the House was unobjectionable. However, in the form it took following Senate amendments requested by the Home Building Industry Association, it would dictate when and how planning should be carried out by Metro, including when the decision on the Portland-area Urban Growth Boundary expansion should be made. The House then repassed the bill with the Senate amendments. The bill could result in a premature expansion of the UGB in Portland.

HB 2493:

SENATE ○ PASSED 20-5 • June 17th
HOUSE ○ PASSED 36-19 • June 19th
The bill was signed by the Governor.

Vote 15: HB 2643
Land Use Planning

This bill would have prohibited the Land Conservation and Development Commission from appealing local land use decisions to the Land Use Board of Appeals. If such appeals are not allowed, it would effectively eliminate state enforcement of state-wide land use goals, including those that protect the environment.

HB 2643:

HOUSE ○ FAILED 26-34 • May 14th

Vote 16: SB 632
Land Use Planning

This bill would have designated the majority of Oregon's farm and forest lands as "secondary," and thus eligible for increased development. This is more than half of Oregon's private farm and forest land base. The issue

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has been resurrected in each of the last several legislatures and developers continue to ask for more access even after the 1993 Legislature weakened previous land use standards.

SB 632:

SENATE ○ PASSED 18-6 • July 3rd
HOUSE ○ FAILED 21-29 • July 4th

Vote 17: SB 1148
Land Use Planning

This bill would have used tax dollars to create a task force to plan for regionalizing state land use decision-making. Developers have attempted for years to regionalize land use issues as a means to undermine state land use goals that include protection of wildlife, wetlands, and natural areas.

SB 1148:

SENATE ○ PASSED 17-13 • May 2nd
The bill did not come up for a House floor vote.

OTHER
MISCELLANEOUS BILLSVote 18: SB 1226
Toxics Right to Know

This bill passed the Senate in a form that would have prohibited cities or counties from requiring corporations to disclose what toxic chemicals they release into the air or water if the primary purpose of the law is to disclose information to the public. Its purpose was to overturn the city of Eugene's voter-approved toxics right-to-know law. Conservationists believe all citizens have the right to know what toxic substances are

being emitted by neighboring land owners. Most citizens falsely assume that this right already exists. In fact, federal right to know laws only cover a small percentage of toxic substances that can legally be emitted into the air and water.

On the House floor, opponents of the bill successfully amended it with a "minority report." The Minority Report left the Eugene law alone, but prevented any community aside from Eugene from enforcing a similar law for two years to give a state task force time to address the issue. Since no city could reasonably have adopted and begun enforcing such laws during this time period anyway, conservationists were willing to accept the minority report.

SB 1226:

SENATE ○ PASSED 19-11 • June 18th
HOUSE ○ MINORITY REPORT PASSED 30-28
• July 1st

The bill died when the House never voted on a subsequent Senate amendment which would have placed a two year moratorium on the Eugene law.

Vote 19: HB 2898
River Access

The Senate amended an otherwise unobjectionable House bill to cede ownership of river bottoms to private landowners by arbitrarily changing the designation of most rivers in the state to "unnavigable." It was vigorously opposed by sports fishing groups and other recreational users of the state's waters.

HB 2898:

SENATE ○ PASSED 17-11 • June 17th
HOUSE ○ FAILED 23-31 • June 19th

After the House rejected the Senate



version, a compromise version emerged and passed that was supported by river users.

Vote 20: SB 1192
Wildlife Protection

This bill would have legalized the sale of certain animal body parts, thus encouraging poaching. It would also have changed the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife's "wildlife integrity" rules so as to make it harder for ODFW to control the importation of exotic species which could have severe negative impacts on native species.

SB 1192:
SENATE \square PASSED 17-11 • May 20th
The bill never came up for a vote in the House.

Vote 21: HB 3734
Timber Tax Cut

This bill would change the timber tax system from one in which 80% of taxes are done through an excise tax on harvests to one in which companies would pay it entirely as a property tax. Due to the difference between the excise tax and property tax rates, this was estimated to cause a 56% reduction in taxes from the industry, totalling roughly \$26 million per year.

The reduction is totally contrary to the timber industry's spring 1997 public relations efforts touting its willingness to voluntarily commit industry money for salmon recovery. At the same time as the timber industry was agreeing to pay for salmon recovery by voluntarily committing \$13 million, it was working to decrease its taxes by \$26 million. The shift to a pure property tax sys-

tem also creates an artificial incentive for early cutting of timber by small operators with cash flow problems. A tax system that is tied more directly to harvest levels is the most beneficial from an environmental perspective.

HB 3734:
HOUSE \square PASSED 44-14 • June 24th
SENATE \square PASSED 21-8 • July 1st
Vetoed by the Governor

Vote 22: SB 485
Agency Gag Rule

This bill was designed to muzzle state agencies, with environmental agencies being a key target. The environment would be the loser if the state legislature is unable to hear from experts at the agencies as legislation affecting the agencies' work moves forward. Conservationists do not always agree with state agencies, but feel that a full airing of expert opinion is essential to make environmental progress.

SB 485:
SENATE \square PASSED 21-7 • June 13th
HOUSE \square PASSED 32-27 • June 30th
Vetoed by the Governor

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REP	1	2	3	4	5	6	10	12	13	14	15	16	18	19	21	22	1997 OLCV SCORE	1995 OLCV SCORE	1993 OLCV SCORE
Row Adams (R-Wash Lake)	-	-	-	A	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	59	59	43
Chris Beck (D-Portland)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100	100	
Jo Ann Benson (D-Portland)	+	A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	A	+	+	+	+	100		
Tom Bevas (R-Tualum)	A	-	-	A	A	+	+	-	+	A	+	A	+	A	-	-	44	13	31
Chuck Carpenter (R-Beverton)	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	A	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	60	59	
Manuel Carter (D-Portland)	+	A	+	+	+	A	+	A	+	+	+	+	+	A	+	+	100	85	69
Brady Decker (D-Beverton)	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	69		
Richard Derris (D-Tualum)	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	68		
Randall Edwards (D-Portland)	+	-	-	+	+	+	A	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	60		80
George Fochner (D-Portland)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	94	96	
Michael Foster (D-Portland)	-	-	-	-	+	A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	47	84	
Dan Galloway (D-Portland)	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	A	+	+	-	+	87		
Jim Hall (R-Billsboro)	A	-	-	+	-	A	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	96		
Jane Lorkas (R-Mecklenburg)	-	-	-	-	A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	27	4	
John Myers (R-Thurston)	-	A	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	27	17	15
Arntia Rasmussen (D-Portland)	+	+	-	A	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	87	96	
Louise Roberts (D-Portland)	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	13	46	96
Frank Sattelle (D-Portland)	+	A	+	-	-	A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	87	89	77
Larry Swickard (R-Beaverton)	-	-	-	A	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	7	0	
Larry Soren (D-Oregon City)	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	63	59	64
Charles Strain (R-Billsboro)	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	6	0	
Ken Stronach (R-Beverton)	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	57		
Ron Swenson (R-Gresham)	-	A	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	A	+	+	+	+	+	+	57	32	

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Liz Brewer (D-Donnerstag)
 Robin Berry (R-McMinn)
 Tony Corcoran (D-Cornell) (Absent)
 Peter Cozart (D-Salmon)
 Bryan Fosteron (D-Salmon)
 Leslie Lewis (R-McMinn)
 Patti Mease (R-Woodburn)
 Carolyn Gaudry (R-Alamy)
 Kitty Perry (D-Eugene)
 Patsy Peterson (D-Eugene)
 Barbara Ross (D-Cornwall)
 Rust Schneider (D-Court)
 Lane Sherrill (R-Dallas)
 Liz Vandenberg (R-Healy)
 Larry Wells (R-Jefferson)
 Jim Willet (R-Eugene)
 Tom Wislan (D-Salem)
 Cynthia Wooten (D-Eugene)

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AIR QUALITY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	12	12	79
MINING IN SCENIC WATERWAYS	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	23	35
MINING IN SALMON HABITAT	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23	22	41
FISH PASSAGE	-	A	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	42	43	64
IN-STREAM WATER RIGHTS	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	64	67	90
COURT SYSTEM RECYCLING	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	68	80	84
FORESTLAND PROTECTION	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	69	77	93
SMITH ROCK STATE PARK	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	77	69	77
METRO PLANNING	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100	93	93
LAND USE PLANNING	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	88	84	94
LAND USE PLANNING	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	77	77	84
TOXICS RIGHT TO KNOW	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	69	80	84
RIVER ACCESS	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	77	69	84
TIMBER TAX CUT	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	77	69	84
AGENCY GAO RULE	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	88	84	94
1997 OLCV SCORE																	62	50	14
1995 OLCV SCORE																	68	80	84
1993 OLCV SCORE																	77	69	84

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					1997 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES VOTES	
					OREGON COAST	
					CENTRAL OREGON	
					Dennis Luke (D-Bees)	
					Don Montgomery (R-Cascade Locks)	
					Ben Whitland (D-Bees)	
					Tim Jost (D-Bar Crov)	
					Mark Lemay (D-Coos Bay)	
					Ken Mizusaki (R-Coos Bay)	
					Jacquie Taylor (D-Astoria)	
					Tucker Thompson (D-Nemah)	
1	AIR QUALITY	-	-	-	A	-
2	AIR QUALITY	-	-	+	A	-
3	MINING IN SCENIC WATERWAYS	-	-	-	-	-
4	MINING IN SALMON HABITAT	-	-	-	-	-
5	SALMON PROTECTION	-	-	-	-	-
8	SALMON PROTECTION	-	-	-	A	A
10	COURT SYSTEM RECYCLING	A	+	+	+	+
12	FORESTLAND PROTECTION	-	-	-	+	+
13	SMITH ROCK STATE PARK	-	+	+	+	+
14	METRO PLANNING	-	-	-	+	-
15	LAND USE PLANNING	-	-	-	+	+
16	LAND USE PLANNING	+	+	+	-	+
18	TOXICS RIGHT TO KNOW	-	-	-	+	+
19	RIVER ACCESS	-	+	+	+	-
21	TIMBER TAX CUT	-	-	-	+	-
22	AGENCY GAG RULE	-	-	-	+	+
9	1997 OLCV SCORE	7	20	20	26	23
9	1995 OLCV SCORE		0	7	27	27
9	1993 OLCV SCORE			0		26

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1997 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES VOTES

SOUTHERN OREGON		EASTERN OREGON		TOTAL		
Steve Haines (R-Klamath Falls)	-					
Edson Johnson (R-Central Point)	A					
Jay Rouse (R-Roseburg)	-					
Bill Marshall (R-Roseburg)	-					
Don Rouse (R-Clatsop Pass)	A					
Jay Zimmerman (D-Asasago)	-					
Jose Wray (R-Medford)	A					
SOUTHERN OREGON						
Don Johnson (D-Prineville)	-					
Donny Jones (R-Oreman)	-					
Larry Lemquist (R-Powell Butte)	-					
Mark Stearns (R-Burns)	-					
1	AIR QUALITY					
2	AIR QUALITY					
3	MINING IN SCENIC WATERWAYS					
4	MINING IN SALMON HABITAT					
5	SALMON PROTECTION					
8	SALMON PROTECTION					
10	COURT SYSTEM RECYCLING					
12	FORESTLAND PROTECTION					
13	SMITH ROCK STATE PARK					
14	METRO PLANNING					
15	LAND USE PLANNING					
16	LAND USE PLANNING					
18	TOXICS RIGHT TO KNOW					
19	RIVER ACCESS					
21	TIMBER TAX CUT					
22	AGENCY GAG RULE					
%	1997 OLCV SCORE					
%	1995 OLCV SCORE					
%	1993 OLCV SCORE					

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1997 OREGON
 STATE SENATE
 VOTES

PORTLAND
 METRO

Ken Baker (R-Clatskanie)	+	1	AIR QUALITY
Kate Brown (D-Portland)	-	2	AIR QUALITY
Garry Berzock (D-Portland)	+	3	MINING IN SCENIC WATERWAYS
Vernie Duncan (R-Milwaukie)	-	4	MINING IN SALMON HABITAT
Avin, Geaney (D-Portland)	+	5	SALMON PROTECTION
Jeannette Hawley (R-Billings)	-	6	SALMON PROTECTION
Tom Hartono (R-Portland)	+	7	SALMON PROTECTION
Bobby Leonard (D-Portland)	-	9	GROUNDWATER PROTECTION
Joni Linn (R-Oregon)	+	10	COURT SYSTEM RECYCLING
Bobby Miller (R-Lake Oswego)	+	11	GLASS RECYCLING
Ernie Quigg (R-Beaverton)	-	12	FORESTLAND PROTECTION
Thomas White (D-Portland)	+	13	SMITH ROCK STATE PARK
	A	14	METRO PLANNING
	-	16	LAND USE PLANNING
	+	17	LAND USE PLANNING
	-	18	TOXICS RIGHT TO KNOW
	A	19	RIVER ACCESS
	-	20	WILDLIFE PROTECTION
	+	21	TIMBER TAX CUT
	-	22	AGENCY GAO RULE
	44	%	1997 OLCV SCORE
	100	%	1995 OLCV SCORE
	95	%	1993 OLCV SCORE
	22		
	88	89%	71%
	35	57	60
	5	30	
	63	46	
	19	36	22
	22	0	
	12	0%	
	37		

* senators listed from senate in the House of Representatives.

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1997 OREGON
STATE SENATE
VOTES

	SOUTHERN OREGON		EASTERN OREGON		CENTRAL OREGON		OREGON COAST	
	David Aspin (R-Gresham/Pain)	Bill Pender (R-Boonville)	Leslie Hanson (R-Ashtland)	David Nelson (R-Pendleton)	Excuse Thomas (R-Burns)	Nail Brewer (R-Burns)	Tim Penning (R-John Day)	Joan Dennis (D-Astoria)
	Gay George (R-Newberg)	Verde Tasso (R-Coquille)						
1	Air Quality			+				
2	Air Quality							
3	Mining in Scenic Waterways							
4	Mining in Salmon Habitat							A
5	Salmon Protection							
6	Salmon Protection							
7	Salmon Protection					A		
8	Groundwater Protection							
9	Groundwater Protection							
10	Court System Recycling			+	+			
11	Glass Recycling							
12	Forestland Protection							
13	Smith Rock State Park							
14	Metro Planning							
15	Land Use Planning							
16	Land Use Planning							
17	Land Use Planning							
18	Toxics Right to Know							
19	River Access							
20	Wildlife Protection							
21	Timber Tax Cut							
22	Agency Gag Rule							
23	1997 OLCV Score	5	5	5	17	5	5	61
24	1995 OLCV Score	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
25	1993 OLCV Score	0	7	0	40	0	0	100

Senators: David Aspin, Bruce Berman, 2 senators were absent on the Oregon Coast and Tim Penning was the Willamette Valley

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1997 OREGON
 STATE SENATE
 VOTES

WILLAMETTE
 VALLEY

STEVEN CASTILLO (D-ROOSEVELT)
 GREG DUNNISON (R-SALMON)
 HIL. DWYER (D-SPRINGFIELD)
 BOB KATZICH (R-SPRINGFIELD)
 MARTIN SHANNON (R-ROOSEVELT)
 SERRILL STULL (R-FORGE)
 CLAY THORP (D-CORVALLIS)
 MAE YIM (D-ASASUO)

+	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	1	AIR QUALITY
-	+	-	A	-	+	-	+	2	AIR QUALITY
-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	3	MINING IN SCENIC WATERWAYS
-	A	+	-	-	-	-	+	4	MINING IN SALMON HABITAT
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	6	SALMON PROTECTION
-	+	A	-	-	+	-	+	7	SALMON PROTECTION
-	+	-	-	-	-	A	+	9	GROUNDWATER PROTECTION
-	+	-	A	-	+	+	+	10	COURT SYSTEM RECYCLING
+	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	11	GLASS RECYCLING
-	+	-	-	-	A	-	+	12	FORESTLAND PROTECTION
+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	13	SMITH ROCK STATE PARK
A	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	14	METRO PLANNING
A	+	A	-	-	A	A	+	16	LAND USE PLANNING
-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	17	LAND USE PLANNING
-	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	18	TOXIC RIGHT TO KNOW
+	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	19	RIVER ACCESS
-	+	-	-	-	-	A	+	20	WILDLIFE PROTECTION
A	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	21	TIMBER TAX CUT
-	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	22	AGENCY GAO RULE
25	83	29	0	0	25	6	100	%	1997 OLCV SCORE
8	96	4	0	0	68	4		%	1995 OLCV SCORE
33	100			50	78	7		%	1993 OLCV SCORE

Now that you "Know the Score," what should you do?

If your Representative and Senator voted to protect Oregon's environment, send them a thank you note. Lobbyists for special interests placed a great deal of pressure on legislators to weaken environmental laws. Those that resisted deserve our thanks.

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District	Representative	Address
1	Jackie Taylor	1324 Miller Lane., Astoria 97103
2	Tim Josi	6740 Base Line Rd., Bay City 97107
3	Charles Starr	8330 SW River Rd., Hillsboro 97123
4	Terry Thompson	5123 NW Agate Way, Newport 97365
5	Jim Hill	434 NE Lincoln St., Hillsboro 97124
6	Ken Strobeck	PO Box 6690, Beaverton 97007
7	Chuck Carpenter	822 NW Murray Blvd., Suite 315 Portland, 97229
8	Ryan Deckert	PO Box 2247, Beaverton 97075
9	Tom Brian	7630 SW Fir, Tigard 97223
10	Lynn Snodgrass	12995 SE Hacienda Dr., Boring 97009
11	Anitra Rasmussen	3844 SW Jerald Way, Portland 97221
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17	Mike Fahey	6809 N Armour St., Portland 97203
18	Margaret Carter	3939 NE MLK Jr. Blvd, #106, Portland, 97212

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23	Kurt Schrader	2525 N Baker Dr., Canby 97013
24	Richard Devlin	10290 SW Anderson Ct., Tualatin 97062
25	Jane Lokan	5317 SE El Centro Way, Milwaukie 97267
26	Larry Sowa	PO Box 68720, Milwaukie 97268
27	Ron Adams	PO Box 305, Marylhurst 97036
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30	Larry Wells	3080 Jeff-Scio Dr. SE, Jefferson 97352
31	Bryan Johnston	2218 Treemont Ct. S, Salem 97302
32	Tom Whelan	5314 Eastlake Ct. SE, Salem 97306
33	Peter Courtney	2925 Island View Dr. N, Salem 97303
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35	Barbara Ross	4175 Morning St., Corvallis 97330
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52	Judy Uberbelau	PO Box 3189 Ashland 97520
53	Steve Harper	7121 Sierra Place, Klamath Falls 97603
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59	Lynn Lundquist	PO Box 8, Powell Butte 97753
60	Denny Jones	1461 NW 3rd Ave., Ontario 97914

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District	Senator	Address
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3	Tom Hartung	13975 NW Burton St., Portland 97229
4	Eileen Qutub	11135 SW Partridge Ln., Beaverton 97007
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9	Randy Leonard	4530 SE 67th Ave., Portland 97206
10	Avel Gordly	1915 NE 16th #3, Portland 97212
11	John Lim	740 SE 25th Street, Gresham 97080
12	Verne Duncan	16911 SE River Rd., Milwaukie 97267
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