1999 ENVIRONMENTAL SCORECARD FOR THE OREGON LEGISLATURE

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Congratulations!

By picking up this Scorecard, you've taken the first step towards protecting Oregon's environment: Knowing the Score.

Only citizens willing to research how their legislators vote can hope to hold those officials accountable. Too many legislators campaign on behalf of the environment, but then turn around and repeatedly vote on behalf of special interest

campaign contributors pushing bills that would weaken existing environmental safeguards.

Unfortunately, leaders with this attitude were appointed committee chairs in the 1999 Legislature. Conservationists feared a difficult session when we looked at who would be chair of the eight committees with oversight over environmental issues. Seven were chaired by individuals who had received a zero rating on our 1997 Scorecard, the worst possible score.

The result: the 1999 session of Oregon's Legislature will go on record as the most anti-environment in Oregon's history. Only the 1995 session compares in the number and range of anti-environment measures that were pushed in one or both chambers.

For the 1999 session, only two pro-environment bills were allowed to come up for a vote on the House and Senate floor over opposition. In contrast, this Scorecard includes 28 separate bills voted on by either the House, the Senate, or both chambers, that represent a retreat from Oregon's tradition of environmental stewardship.

The good news: Governor John Kitzhaber vetoed 23 separate anti-environment bills, including 14 of the 16 bills "scored" by OLCV that passed both chambers in forms objected to by the environmental community. Meanwhile, public opinion polls continue to show a solid majority of Oregon voters object to the legislature's attack on environmental programs.

The bad news: The 2001 legislative session could again violate the will of voters if more Oregonians don't learn the score and work to hold their elected officials accountable.

Here are four easy things you can do to help make this happen.

- 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. To request additional free copies, call or write us.
- Take action with your vote, by supporting pro-environment candidates at the local, state, and federal level.
- 4. Take action by volunteering for a pro-environment candidate of your choice.

Our children's future depends on it.

Jonathan Poisner *Executive Director*

ABOUT THE OREGON LEAGUE OF CONSERVATION VOTERS SCORECARD

This is the 14th Environmental Scorecard on the Oregon Legislature. Previous editions have covered every legislative session since 1973.

The goal of the Scorecard is to provide objective, factual information about the voting records of Representatives and Senators for the 1999 Oregon Legislature. OLCV's mission is to educate the public about the environmental 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 nominations to OLCV suggesting what votes should be included in the Scorecard. A volunteer committee then reviewed those nominations to identify those votes where legislators were forced to make a choice whether or not to protect the environment. Votes were identified that reflected a broad cross-section of environmental issues and that were viewed during the session as important by a range of conservation organizations.

The Scorecard is designed to provide voters with information to separate true stewards of Oregon's environment from those who just talk about it. Therefore, following our long-standing policy, the Scorecard does not include votes where there was no significant lobbying effort on one side or the other. As a result, unanimous or nearly unanimous

votes were excluded because they do not give voters information about how their legislators vote when they are forced to make a choice to protect the environment.

Additionally, based on long-standing policy, OLCV does not score votes where, because of the nature of the lobbying effort, there was some apparent confusion regarding a bill's impact on the environment.

The final decision on what votes to score was made by OLCV's Board of Directors. We wish to thank the many volunteers who helped compile and review the Scorecard information for their valuable input.

OVERVIEW OF THE 1999 SESSION

If not for Governor John Kitzhaber's veto pen, the 1999 Legislative Session would have been disastrous for Oregon's environment. More anti-environmental bills passed than in any session since OLCV began issuing the Scorecard in 1973. The Governor vetoed 23 separate anti-environment bills. This included vetoes of 14 of the 16 non-budget anti-environment bills that reached his desk and are rated in this Scorecard.

Ultimately, the Scorecard includes votes on 30 bills, including 29 Senate votes and 24 House votes. This is the most separate votes OLCV has ever included in the Scorecard, and at least a dozen more might have been selected.

Only two of the votes scored represent pro-environment bills allowed to come to the House or Senate floor

over any opposition. Only one of these passed.

With that said, three facts stand out when looking back at the session:

- Attacks on Oregon's land use system were a major factor this session. We are rating 8 separate land use bills, all of which would have enhanced the power of builders and developers over citizens. All were vetoed or died. If they had become law, Oregon would have lost more farm and forestland, and Oregonians would have experienced more sprawl and traffic congestion.
- The Legislature took a giant step backwards in its commitment to Oregon's landmark Salmon Plan, adopted in 1997. The Scorecard rates three bills that clearly attacked the Salmon Plan, all vetoed, and four more that threatened water quality, all of which were also vetoed. Many legislators continue to insist they are pro-salmon, even as they vote for bills that would make extinction more likely.
- The Legislature raided Ballot Measure 66 funds and diverted them for other purposes. Ballot Measure 66, passed in 1998 by voters, allocated 15% of lottery proceeds, roughly \$88 million, to be split between salmon preservation and State Parks. Rather than devoting this money to new programs, the Legislature backfilled existing programs and diverted general fund money elsewhere, a practice The Oregonian referred to as a "double cross." In all, nearly \$15 million in salmon funds and \$30 million in Parks funds were effectively diverted. Even some of the funds not

technically diverted are being used for highly dubious purposes, such as the \$1.4 million of "salmon" spending that will go to the Dept. of Agriculture's efforts to control noxious weeds.

Finally, Oregon's legislature has grown increasingly partisan on a broad range of issues, of which the environment is only one. The result: fewer moderates were able to buck their party leaders and vote proenvironment. This was especially true in the House, where only two House Republicans rated higher than 50% on the Scorecard, the fewest ever. In contrast, no House Democrat scored lower than 60%.

Overall, the rated average in the House was 43%, down from the 44% average of 1997. In contrast, the Senate moderated slightly from 1997, averaging 38%, up from 32% in 1997.

	HOUSE	SENATE
1999	43%	38%
1997	44%	32%
1995	37%	34%

ENVIRONMENTAL HONOR ROLL

100% Rated Legislators

Representative Jeff Merkley Representative Diane Rosenbaum Senator Frank Shields

ENVIRONMENTAL DISHONOR ROLL

0% Rated Legislators

Representative Mark Simmons Senator Eugene Timms

BEST SURPRISES

Given to the Senator and Representative whose rating increased most from 1997

Representative Mike Lehman, +30%, from 43% to 73% Senator Verne Duncan, +23%, from 22% to 45%

MOST DISAPPOINTING

Given to the Senator and Representative whose rating decreased most from 1997

Representative Bob Jenson, -28%, from 50% to 22% Senator Len Hannon, -35%, from 39% to 4%

HOUSE AND SENATE VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

VOTE 1: HB 2431 TOXICS RIGHT TO KNOW

Current information provided by federal and state toxics right to know programs only account for an estimated 10% of all emissions of toxic chemicals. In response, citizens in Eugene in 1996 passed a local program to find out more about chemicals emitted into the air or water of their neighborhoods. HB 2431 places severe state restrictions on Eugene's program, or any other community program that attempts to gather this information. It places Eugene's program in jeopardy and makes it extremely unlikely that any other city would follow Eugene's lead.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED BY HOUSE, MAY 5, 38-22 PASSED BY SENATE, JULY 19, 18-10 SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 2: HB 3456 TOXICS

Currently, state law governs cleanup of hazardous sites that are serious, but not serious enough to be listed as "Superfund" sites under federal law. Oregon's law, adopted in the 1980s, was weakened in 1995 under a compromise bill. HB 3456 would have severely weakened the state law even further. Among other things, HB 3456 would have allowed "independent" cleanups by businesses without DEQ oversight and would have allowed "capping" of pollution that currently must be cleaned up. Groundwater would have been put especially at risk if HB 3456 became law.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED BY HOUSE, JULY 15, 42-15 PASSED BY SENATE, JULY 19, 19-8 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 3: HB 2637 AIR QUALITY

To meet federal air quality standards, Portland-area motorists are required to participate in an Inspection and Maintenance program for their cars when they up for registration renewal. The test ensures that pollution control technology on their cars is working. Recently, Columbia and Yamhill Counties were added to the program based on evidence that drivers in those counties contributed to the area's air quality problem. HB 2637 would have exempted Columbia and Yamhill county non-commuters from the program. This would have negatively impacted the Portland area's air quality and would have required bureaucratic red tape to separate commuters from non-commuters, something neither the Department of Environmental Quality or Division of Motor Vehicles currently tracks. Evidence shows noncommuters also contribute to Portland's air quality problems.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED BY HOUSE, MAY 14, 37-20 PASSED BY SENATE, JULY 15, 16-10 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 4: HB 5019 AIR AND WATER QUALITY

HB 5019 was the budget bill for the Dept. of Environmental Quality. As passed, it would have severely cut funding for DEQ's enforcement of air and water quality laws at a time when DEQ enforcement efforts have already been criticized by the Environmental Protection Agency as underfunded and inadequate.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED HOUSE, JULY 15, 34-24 PASSED SENATE, JULY 19, 18-10 SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

Subsequent lobbying efforts successfully managed to restore most of the proposed cuts by including funding in a separate bill passed on the last day of the legislative session.

VOTE 5: SB 675 WATER QUALITY

While state and federal efforts have been relatively successful in limiting direct discharges of pollution into the state's waters, less progress has been made in tacking so-called "non-point source" pollution flowing off of the land. Recently, the Dept. of Environmental Quality has begun looking at ways to limit polluted runoff flowing from agricultural lands into rivers and streams. SB 675 would have limited the Dept. of Environmental Quality's authority to pass such regulations. It would also have required Oregon to approve federal decisions (such as grazing permits), even if the state believed the federal activity would lead to violations of state water quality standards.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE, MAY 3, 18-12 PASSED HOUSE, JUNE 9, 31-28 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 6: HB 2652 WATER QUALITY

In its final form, HB 2652 would have forbidden the Dept. of Environmental Quality from requiring irrigation districts to obtain water quality permits that limit the amount of pesticides that can flow into rivers from irrigation canals. An incident near Talent recently killed tens of thousands of fish due to outflow from an irrigation canal. HB 2652 was largely seen as an effort by irrigation districts to stop DEQ from taking action designed to stop similar incidents.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

SENATE VERSION PASSED MAY 24, 16-10 HOUSE CONCURRENCE PASSED MAY 26, 40-18 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 7: SB 1166 WATER QUALITY

Under the federal Clean Water Act, the state must designate "outstanding resource waters" which receive extra protection. The goal is to keep the state's most pristine waters clean. The Dept. of Environmental Quality recently went through a long process by which criteria were adopted to allow for streams or lakes to be designated as "outstanding resource waters." SB 1166 was a legislative rewrite of those criteria done in a way that would have made it virtual-

ly impossible to designate any water bodies.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE, MAY 11, 21-8 PASSED HOUSE, MAY 27, 37-20 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 8: HB 2600 SALMON

HB 2600 would have made the seepage of water through leaks in irrigation canals a "beneficial use" of water under Oregon water law. The net effect would have been to expand the scope of existing water rights state-wide, benefiting irrigation districts that have not taken steps to line their canals to save water. Scarcity of water is a major threat to wild salmon in many of Oregon's streams. A specific irrigation district, the Grants Pass Irrigation District, would have particularly benefited by receiving enough extra water so as to avoid pressure to remove Savage Rapids Dam, a fish-killing dam that has been ordered removed by Oregon's Water Resources Commission.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED HOUSE, MAY 18, 31-29

Never came up for a vote in the Senate

VOTE 9: HB 3065 SALMON

HB 3065 would have restored a water right to the Grants Pass Irrigation District that had been ordered cancelled by the Water Resources Commission. Passage of the bill would have eliminated the Commission's leverage to order removal of Savage Rapids Dam, the number one fish-killer on the Rogue River.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED HOUSE, MAY 17, 32-27 PASSED SENATE, JUNE 14, 19-11 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 10: HB 3131 SALMON

Current law requires any new dam to provide for fish passage, such as fish ladders for salmon migrating upstream. Under a law passed in 1997, the Fish & Wildlife Commission can provide an exemption to this rule if it finds a net benefit to fish from the dam. In 1998, an exemption was denied for the proposed Milltown Hill dam in Douglas County. HB 3131 would have required the Fish & Wildlife Commission to revisit this decision, a waste of time and money that might have led to reversal of the Commission's earlier pro-environment decision.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED HOUSE, JUNE 3, 33-27 PASSED SENATE, JULY 7, 20-10 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 11: HB 3346 SALMON

HB 3346 was designed to slow down or delay potential removal of many small dams across Oregon that are coming up for relicensing. Under HB 3346, any such removal would have to be preceded by an expensive "sediment" study, even in an emergency situation where safety was at risk. The bill was designed, in part, to block removal of Savage Rapids Dam.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED HOUSE, JUNE 3, 31-29 PASSED SENATE, JULY 7, 19-11 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 12: SB 987 SALMON

SB 987 would have required the Oregon legislature to approve the removal of any dam in Oregon larger than 10 feet. The bill was designed, in part, to block removal of Savage Rapids Dam, but would have impacted dozens of other dams that are up for relicensing over the next decade, putting politics ahead of science in these decisions.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE, MAY 4, 18-11 PASSED HOUSE, JUNE 3, 31-29 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 13: SB 988 MARINE MAMMALS

Currently, the federal government oversees efforts in Oregon to protect

marine mammals. SB 988 would have spent \$100,000 of state money to request a state takeover of this program from the federal government. Backers openly stated that one goal of state control would be to limit marine mammal protection so as to decrease their numbers, under the theory that marine mammals are eating too many salmon. Conservationists strongly disagree with the suggestion that marine mammals are a significant contributor to the decline of salmon runs in Oregon.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE, APRIL 26, 19-10 PASSED HOUSE, JUNE 1, 38-21 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 14: HB 2805 CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

In recent years, several Oregon citizens have been sued based on statements they have made opposing proposed developments at land use public hearings. These lawsuits have always failed, but have served to intimidate future citizen involvement. Hence, they are called SLAPP suits – strategic lawsuits against public participation. Several other states have passed laws to prevent SLAPP suits. HB 2805 would have dealt with the problem by providing limited civil immunity for statements made at public hearings.

After passing the House, it was amended in a Senate Committee to make it ineffective. Backers of the original bill brought forward a Minority Report on the Senate floor that was identical to the House-passed bill. After the Minority Report failed, the bill was tabled and died.

YES IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE ON BOTH HOUSE PASSAGE AND ON THE SENATE MINORITY REPORT.

PASSED HOUSE, MAY 12, 49-9 SENATE MINORITY REPORT FAILED, JULY 6, 13-16.

VOTE 15: HB 2885 LAND USE

In its Senate form, HB 2885 would have eliminated minimum parcel sizes for the partition of existing forestland property. It also would have allowed the building of extra homes for "relatives" to live in. The net effect would have been to allow the siting of significantly more homes on forestland, undermining the state's land use system and encouraging sprawl.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE AS AMENDED, JUNE 25, 16-13
HOUSE REFUSED TO CONCUR WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS, JUNE 29, 28-27 (IT TAKES 31 VOTES TO PASS, NOT JUST A MAJORITY OF THOSE VOTING).

The bill died after the House refused to concur with the Senate amendments.

VOTE 16: HB 3282 LAND USE

HB 3282 would have provided a special exemption allowing the siting of large churches on lands zoned for exclusive farm use outside of urban growth boundaries. Some of the churches exempted are full-time

facilities that attract several thousand visitors on weekends, an inappropriate use outside urban areas.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED HOUSE, MAY 20, 31-28 PASSED SENATE, JUNE 11, 17-6 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 17: HB 3489 LAND USE

HB 3489 would have set up a special rule allowing significantly more division of land for non-farm uses in Exclusive Farm Use zones in eastern Oregon. It would have exacerbated existing problems of rural sprawl, while threatening farmland.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED HOUSE, JUNE 15, 38-21 PASSED SENATE AS AMENDED, JULY 23, 19-9

The session ended before the House could vote on concurrence on the final day.

VOTE 18: SB 86 LAND USE

As voted on in the Senate, SB 86 would have given property owners an unlimited "right" to build a curb cut driveway onto state highways, even if alternative access existed from side-roads. This would have threatened safety, while hurting efforts to control sprawl and decrease traffic congestion.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE, MARCH 1, 17-12

The bill was amended in the House to be acceptable and was repassed in that form by the Senate. The Governor signed the bill as amended.

VOTE 19: SB 87 LAND USE

SB 87 would have required cities over 25,000 people to include a 20 year supply of commercial, industrial, and retail lands inside their Urban Growth Boundaries (UGBs). It would have locked in additional sprawl based on past patterns.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE, APRIL 13, 16-13 FAILED ON HOUSE FLOOR, JUNE 21, 22-37

VOTE **20**: SB 127

SB 127 would have provided what is known as a "lot of record" exemption, allowing a dramatic increase in the number of homes that can be built on land zoned for farm use. The bill would have seriously undermined land use protection of farmland.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

FAILED ON SENATE FLOOR, APRIL 6, 14-16

VOTE 21: SB 454 LAND USE

Several years ago, the state's Land Conservation and Development Commission adopted a test designed to determine when new homes could be built on farmland. The test asks whether the farmer would have \$80,000 in gross income from the land by farming, thus attempting to stop people from buying farmland, building a house, but then not really farming it. As voted on in the Senate, SB 454 would have eliminated the \$80,000 test and prevented adoption of any alternative income test.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE, APRIL 26, 16-13

The bill was later amended in the House to merely require that the state study its \$80,000 income test for potential revision. The Senate concurred with those amendments and the Governor signed it in that form.

VOTE 22: SB 1187 LAND USE

The land use system in Oregon is based on a set of "goals." The "urbanization" goal prevents the conversion of farm and forestland outside urban growth boundaries into urbanized uses. SB 1187 would have exempted a set of lands known as "exception" lands from the "urbanization" goal. The net impact would have been dramatic increases in the region's urban growth footprint, overriding existing Urban Growth Boundaries around many Oregon cities, including the Portland Metro UGB.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE, MAY 11, 16-13

The bill never was brought up for a House vote.

VOTE 23: SB 524 BEACH ACCESS

There are many places along the beach were beach access is allowed for by roads, whether paved or undeveloped. Existing laws require that a county must hold a public hearing and go through the normal land use process before eliminating a "road" from its books (called a road "vacation"), thus eliminating beach access routes. Prompted by a fight over beach access near Yachats, SB 524 would have allowed road "vacations" to be made without being land use decisions. It had the potential to negatively impact beach access up and down the coast.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE, MARCH 4, 21-8 PASSED HOUSE, JULY 14, 31-28 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 24: HB 2419MINING

Several years ago, the owner of an abandoned quarry near Stafford in Clackamas County attempted to reopen it without going through environmental review. In many cases, quarries were originally sited without consideration of the impact on the environment or nearby home owners. In the case of the Stafford quarry, nearby homeowners successfully argued that the reopening of an abandoned quarry violated County ordinances. The Senate version of HB 2419 preempts the relevant local ordinance by allowing any abandoned quarry to reopen so long as the abandonment hasn't been more than 12 years and the owner has filed the appropriate form with the state. While designed with one quarry in mind, the bill has a state-wide impact that threatens potential environmental damage at dozens of abandoned quarries that might be reopened under this new loophole.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE AS AMENDED, JUNE 8, 21-8 HOUSE CONCURRED WITH SENATE AMENDMENTS, JUNE 10, 41-17 SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 25: SB 1149 ENERGY CONSERVATION

In its House form, this bill partially deregulates Oregon's electricity industry, while setting aside 3% of utility revenue for conservation and renewable energy development. It is expected to lead to a significant increase in energy conservation as compared to efforts over the last 5 years.

YES IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED HOUSE AS AMENDED, JULY 2, 35-25 SENATE CONCURRED WITH HOUSE AMENDMENTS, JULY 9, 20-9 SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

PESTICIDE USE TRACKING

One significant environmental bill passed the 1999 Legislature that was not used in compiling the legislative scorecard. HB 3602 enacts into law a system of tracking the use of pesticides. The bill's genesis was a campaign by the Oregon Pesticide Education Network (OPEN) to enact a comprehensive pesticide reporting and right to know program. After being refused repeated requests to get a public hearing on their bill, members of the OPEN coalition filed an initiative in mid-April. Within days, they were invited to participate in negotiations with

the pesticide industry over a reporting program.

The ensuing compromise should prove to be a significant step in the right direction. However, key aspects of the law were deliberately left vague, with regulations to be written by the Dept. of Agriculture.

In this form, HB 3602 was supported by the pesticide industry and the OPEN coalition. It received no organized opposition. It passed the House unanimously and received just two votes against it in the Senate. OLCV's long-standing policy is not to rate in the scorecard bills that are unanimous or nearly unanimous, but rather only those where some clash of lobbying occurred. Rating unanimous bills would not provide the public a means of determining a legislator's true commitment to protecting Oregon's environment.

VOTE 26: HB 3541 ENERGY CONSERVATION

HB 3541 would have prohibited state agencies from promoting energy conservation efforts designed to reduce emission of greenhouse gasses, unless the U.S. Senate adopts the proposed Kyoto global warming treaty. The bill would politicize and delay common sense energy conservation efforts designed to minimize the eventual cost to Oregon from global warming.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED HOUSE, MAY 12, 34-25 PASSED SENATE, JUNE 21, 18-10 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 27: SB 757 TRANSPORTATION

Currently, all money from the state gas tax must go into road construction and maintenance. None can go to alternative transportation efforts. A portion of federal transportation dollars given to the state may be used for alternative transportation, such as buses. These federal monies are known as "flexible dollars." SB 757 would have put on the ballot a measure to require all "flexible" federal dollars to go for road construction, sharply limiting the state's spending for alternative transportation methods.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE, MAY 14, 16-13

Never came up for a vote on the House floor.

VOTE 28: SB 940 RECYCLING

In the form voted on in the Senate, SB 940 would delay new glass recycling content standards by four years and would have provided an exemption from existing rules for the benefit of a single major Seattle glass manufacturer.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE, MAY 18, 18-11

The bill was amended in the House to eliminate the special exemption and was not fought by conservation organizations in that form.

VOTE 29: HB 3202 POLLUTER SUBSIDIES

Oregon's 30-year old pollution control tax credit started out as a useful means of helping companies put in place pollution controls. Today, it continues to funnel tens of millions of dollars to companies merely for obeying pollution laws on the books for many years. This effectively subsidizes heavily polluting companies at the expense of cleaner businesses. The current tax credit is set to expire at the end of 2001. HB 3202 would have extended its expiration until 2009.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED HOUSE, JULY 12, 51-6 PASSED SENATE, JULY 19, 22-4 VETOED BY GOVERNOR

VOTE 30: SB 5530 PARKS FUNDING

For years, Oregon State Parks have been underfunded, leading to a backlog of nearly \$100 million in deferred maintenance. No new Park has been added to the system since the early 1970s, despite huge increases in population. In 1998, voters overwhelmingly passed Measure 66, which promised 15% of lottery proceeds to be split between salmon and Parks. The net impact should have been an increase of nearly \$44 million in funding for State Parks. However, the Legislature instead used most of Measure 66 dollars to "backfill" existing Parks programs, taking previous general Parks funds away and giving them to other unrelated programs. SB 5530 provided only a \$14 million increase in the Parks budget, thwarting the will of voters, and leaving the Parks Department still unable to deal effectively with its maintenance backlog.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE.

PASSED SENATE, MAY 3, 17-13 PASSED HOUSE, JUNE 4, 33-24 SIGNED BY GOVERNOR

For the complete Vote Chart |



1999 OREGON HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES VOTES

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Rob Patridge (R-Medford)		-	0	-		0	-	-			
Judy Uherbelau (D-Ashland)	+	+	Α	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Carl Wilson (R-Grants Pass)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
COAST											
Elaine Hopson (D-Tillamook)	+		_	+	+		0	+	+	+	+
Mike Lehman (D-Coos Bay)	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	+	A	+	+
Ken Messerle (R-Coos Bay)	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	_	0	
Jackie Taylor (D-Astoria)	+	+	0	+	+	0	+	+	+	+	+
Terry Thompson (D-Newport)	_	_	_	+	+	+	A	+	+	+	+
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Bob Jenson (R-Pendleton)	0	0	0		0	0	_	+	0	0	+
Tim Knopp (R-Bend)	0	0	+	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lynn Lundquist (R-Powell Butte)	0	0	0	0	0	0	Α	0	0	0	
Bob Montgomery (R-Cascade Lockes)	0	A	A	A	0	0		0	-	-	
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Juley Gianella (R-Aurora)	0	0		_	0		_	0		0	
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Now That You Know The Score....

What should you do? There are five important actions you can take:

1. **Hold your legislator accountable** if they voted with the polluting interests that worked to weaken Oregon's environmental safeguards. Send a short, polite note expressing your disapproval of their performance in Salem.

Thank your legislator if they voted to protect Oregon's environment. Those that resisted the strong pressure of special interest lobbyists deserve our thanks.

- 2. **Share the Scorecard** with at least five friends and neighbors. Make sure they "Know the Score" of their Representative and Senator. Contact us to request additional free copies.
- 3. Vote for pro-environment candidates at the local, state, and federal level.
- 4. **Join the Oregon League of Conservation Voters**, the political arm of Oregon's environmental movement. Turn to the back page for membership information.
- 5. Volunteer for a pro-environment candidate or get involved in the OLCV County Program. Turn to the back page for volunteer opportunities. Contact us for information on OLCV endorsed candidates (endorsements are issued in March).



How To Reach Your Legislator

Oregon legislators are in regular session for the first 6 months of every odd numbered year. When the legislature is in session you can contact your legislator through the citizen comment line 800-332-2313 (outside Salem) or 986-1187 (within Salem). Write your legislators at State Capitol, Salem, OR 97310.

The period between legislative sessions is called the interim. Turn the page for the list of interim contact information for all Oregon Senators and Representatives.

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