

# 2009 ENVIRONMENTAL SCORECARD

*for the* **OREGON LEGISLATURE**



OREGON LEAGUE OF CONSERVATION VOTERS





You care about Oregon's environmental legacy.  
**Do your legislators?**

## Did your legislators vote to:

- Protect Oregon's rivers and streams?
- Promote clean energy and create jobs?
- Fight the costly damage caused by invasive species?
- Phase out toxic chemicals that threaten our health?

## Find out. And then **ACT!**

Tell your legislators you know the score.

Your elected lawmakers are accountable to YOU! Did they vote responsibly to preserve Oregon's natural legacy for generations to come? Or did they bow to the well-funded pressures of corporate polluters?

**It's not enough to know the score.** You have a responsibility to tell your legislators how they measure up. Thank them for representing you or let them know you're disappointed in their votes.

### **IT'S EASY:**

Visit [www.olcv.org/scorecard](http://www.olcv.org/scorecard) to find your legislators' scores and tell your legislators what you think. And pass the word on to your friends.

Your voice matters. **ACT NOW.**



The Oregon League of Conservation Voters passes laws that protect Oregon's environmental legacy, elects pro-environment candidates to office, and holds all of our elected officials accountable.

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The winner of the 2009 OLCV Scorecard Cover Photo Contest: Michele Dickson and Zeus take in the view of South Sister from the Chambers Lakes area of Three Sisters Wilderness. Photo by Bob Del Gizzi.



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**TELL YOUR LEGISLATORS YOU KNOW THE SCORE**

A MESSAGE FROM OLCV'S EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR

Protecting the planet begins here at home in Oregon with the people we elect and the actions they take.

This Scorecard is about evaluating the most important action our legislators take: voting. But it's also about the action you take. It's not enough just to know the score. You need to let your legislators know what you think:

- Are they responsible stewards of Oregon's natural heritage? Or would they destroy that heritage for the benefit of a few?
- Do they promote family-friendly policies that provide great neighborhoods where our kids can thrive, along with air and water free from poisonous chemicals?
- Do they invest in the legacy we leave our kids? Or do they make short-sighted decisions at the expense of future generations?

For the second straight session, we're pleased to report that a clear majority of the Oregon Legislature answered these questions responsibly. Unfortunately, not all legislators did. And in a few cases, the Legislature took some steps backward, particularly on clean energy. It is critical that you thank your elected leaders for good votes, or let them know if you are disappointed in their choices.

That's where OLCV's Scorecard comes in. It provides not only the overall scores of your elected leaders, but also how they voted on individual bills and important issues, from clean water to the climate crisis.

How do we choose which scores to include? Experts from a wide range of Oregon conservation groups weigh in on what votes should be included in the Scorecard, and votes scored must represent a clear choice about whether to protect the environment. OLCV's Board of Directors makes the final decision.


For a complete description of how we create the Scorecard, check out the OLCV website, [www.olcv.org/scorecard](http://www.olcv.org/scorecard).

Remember: Knowing the score is just the first step. **In a democracy, we all have a responsibility to let our legislators know what we think, and further, to share information like the Scorecard with our friends and neighbors.**

As dramatic as it sounds, the future of the planet — and our children — depends on the actions our elected officials take here in Oregon and across the country. OLCV provides the tools you need to help them promote a more responsible environmental legacy for Oregon's families.

Jonathan Poisner  
Executive Director  
Oregon League of Conservation Voters





# Environmental Progress Continues, Serious Work Remains

The Metolius River in spring

## LEGISLATIVE SUMMARY

Oregon's families and future generations will reap the benefits of stronger environmental protections thanks to the work of Oregon's legislators in 2009. Despite significant budget challenges, legislators answered the call of Oregonians around the state who believe that protecting our unique natural legacy is a priority. We're grateful for their work.

But some victories were only partial. Climate change legislation was scaled back, and the bills passed did not live up to the gravity or urgency of the problem. Further, when comparing scores from 2007, average pro-environment voting records for legislators fell 12 percent in the Senate and 9 percent in the House.

**THE DIRECT ACTION OF CITIZENS MADE A DIFFERENCE. TIME AND AGAIN, YOU CALLED AND E-MAILED YOUR LEGISLATORS TO MAKE SURE THEY KNEW THE ENVIRONMENT WAS IMPORTANT TO YOU.**

Overall, the conservation community tackled six Priorities for a Healthy Oregon this session, and legislators moved forward on four (see page 5). Conservationists also fought six bills that were major threats to a healthy Oregon – defeating five of them.

Most notably, legislators passed bills creating marine reserves, preventing invasive species outbreaks, protecting the Metolius River basin from overdevelopment, and limiting pollution from fuel. Legislators also passed a landmark water management bill. These successes were

the direct result of building partnerships with a broad range of Oregonians.

The direct action of citizens also made a difference. Time and again, you called and e-mailed your legislators to make sure they knew the environment was important to you. Take the Metolius bill, which passed by just one vote: Rep. Galizio (D-Tigard) told *The Oregonian* he changed his nay to an aye because of citizen voices.

### Assessing the Senate: Fighting Corporate Lobbyists

Counting to 16 never seemed so hard. In the Oregon Senate, a bill needs 16 votes to pass. The Senate retained pro-conservation leadership, and gained strong new leaders with the addition of former House representatives Senator Jackie Dingfelder (D-Portland), Senator Diane Rosenbaum (D-Portland), and Senator Suzanne Bonamici (D-Beaverton), all of whom scored 95 percent this session.

Unfortunately, the Republican caucus generally locked up against pro-conservation bills, led by Minority Leader Ted Ferrioli (R-John Day), who scored 10 percent this session. This, coupled with a set of swing Democrats under pressure from utilities, industry, timber, and oil groups, kept the Senate from taking bolder steps to lead Oregon into a clean energy future.

Senators deserve our thanks for taking leadership on protecting the Metolius Basin, phasing out the toxic chemical decaBDE, cutting back on hazardous field burning, and killing a bill that would have irresponsibly fast-tracked the siting of dirty liquefied natural gas facilities.

### Assessing the House: Significant New Leadership

The Oregon House retained its general pro-environment direction under new Speaker

Dave Hunt (D-Clackamas) and Majority Leader Mary Nolan (D-Portland). Reps. Hunt and Nolan pushed through a strong version of House Bill 2186, a climate change bill that would have improved truck and tire efficiency, and limited high-polluting consumer products. (The Senate passed a weaker version.) Unfortunately, Speaker Hunt also pushed through an unbalanced, highways-heavy transportation package and bucked his caucus to push through legislation helping the dirty fossil fuels industry.

Notable champions of the session were up-and-coming leaders. While the most impressive are highlighted on page 6, freshman Reps. Nick Kahl (D-Portland), Chris Harker (D-Beaverton), Chris Garrett (D-Lake Oswego) and Michael Dembrow (D-Portland) also show tremendous promise to become key leaders in future sessions.

Meanwhile, 18 minority-caucus members scored 25 percent or less, led by Rep. Bruce Hanna (R-Roseburg), who scored a House-worst 10 percent.

### Assessing the Governor: Helpful Partner

Governor Ted Kulongoski made climate change a key priority of this session. Showing up to rail against "Salem Beltway Naysayers" in a hearing on a key bill, the governor and his staff partnered with conservationists to ensure Oregon remains among the nation's leaders on climate laws. Kulongoski also stood up to the Legislature to protect Oregon's commitment to a clean energy future, vetoing two bills.

### Next Steps: 2010 and Beyond

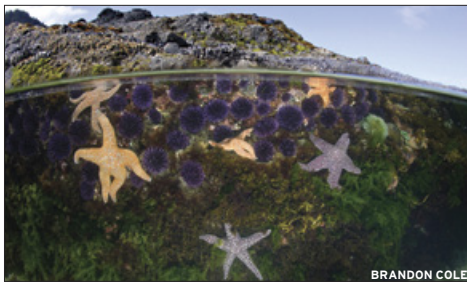
The Legislature will return to work in February 2010, providing an opportunity to move forward on important environmental laws. We'll be there, and we hope you'll be there, too. Protecting Oregon's environmental legacy depends on all of us.

# Priorities for a Healthy Oregon

## Progress on four out of six

2009 marked the third session that the Oregon Conservation Network (OCN), a coalition of conservation groups coordinated by OLCV, worked on shared priorities in Salem. Prior to the start of each session, OCN agrees on a list of the top environmental priorities facing the Legislature: the Priorities for a Healthy Oregon. This year, forty leading conservation groups from around the state were part of OCN.

Check out our quick hits on the Priorities and the related bills below.



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**Preserve Oregon's Coastal Legacy**  
**VICTORY!** Marine reserves bill and funding passed

**House Bill 3013** establishes two marine reserves and creates a scientific and community-based process to evaluate four other potential connected sites that together would support Oregon's ocean habitat.



**Stop the Spread of Invasive Species**  
**VICTORY!** Twelve invasive species bills, including OCN's three priority bills, passed

No Priority had as broad support as fighting costly invasive species outbreaks, which threaten our fish, wildlife, rivers, forests, and key industries. Legislators passed twelve bills to address invasive species, including OCN's three priority bills:

**House Bill 2020** creates a quick-response fund for invasive species outbreaks; **Senate Bill 571** increases penalties for introducing invasive fish; and **House Bill 2220** creates mobile boat check stations to fight invasive snails, mussels and aquatic plants.



**Implement Global Warming Solutions**  
**PARTIAL VICTORY!** Three of four priority bills passed

Climate was a signature issue this session, with a host of highly-paid lobbyists fighting progress. But despite the well-funded opposition, legislators passed three key climate bills: **House Bill 2186** allows the state to cut global warming pollution from fuel; **Senate Bill 101** limits the building of dirty coal plants; and **Senate Bill 79** cuts energy waste from buildings. Sadly, legislators killed **Senate Bill 80**, which would have helped create 40,000 jobs by implementing a carbon cap-and-trade system in Oregon.

**Stay informed!** Find out more about OCN and stay updated on the legislature year-round: Sign up for *SalemWatch*, OCN's e-mail newsletter, at [www.oregonpriorities.org](http://www.oregonpriorities.org).



**Promote Water Conservation**  
**VICTORY!** Historic water bill passed

The Legislature passed **House Bill 3369**, the most important water bill in more than 20 years. The bill protects migrating fish in the Columbia River and streamflows in the Umatilla River, and establishes environmental standards for new water projects around the state.



**Enhance Transportation Choices**  
**SPLIT:** One major bad bill passed, one smaller positive bill passed

Legislators passed **House Bill 2001**, a large, unbalanced transportation package that encourages costly sprawl while failing to significantly enhance transportation choices. Legislators did pass **Senate Bill 34**, which will help Portland and Eugene-Springfield fund public transit.



**Ensure New Energy Supplies are Responsible**  
**LOSS:** No action by Legislators

Lawmakers failed to protect Oregon from liquefied natural gas, a dirty fossil fuel, by failing to pass **House Bill 2015**, which would have protected the public interest in the LNG permitting process.



# Notable Leaders

Many times the vote on a bill is simply the conclusion of a huge amount of work – and that work cannot be captured with a simple score. While many legislators provided inspiring leadership beyond their voting records, these leaders stand out.



## HOUSE

### Environmental Champion of the Year

Rep. Ben Cannon (D-Portland)



In only his second term, Rep. Ben Cannon has grown into the House's most respected voice on the environment. As chair of the House Committee on Environment and Water, Cannon used his principled yet pragmatic

ability to work with a diverse caucus and move key bills to fight global warming pollution, promote water conservation and create marine reserves. Particularly notable was his work on House Bill 2186, the nation's first legislatively-adopted law to cut carbon pollution from fuel. Cannon was the only legislator to score 100 percent this session.

### Innovator of the Year

Rep. Jules Bailey (D-Portland)



Freshman Rep. Jules Bailey is the legislature's sole professional economist. He's also proven to be one of the most dogged leaders on climate, and one of the sharpest minds. Bailey led the charge to create a

complex bill based on a simple idea: Homeowners and businesses should be able to invest in energy efficiency without having to pay all the costs up front. His bill, which allows people to borrow money for such improvements and pay it back on their utility bills, brought together various interests and passed overwhelmingly. It has since garnered national attention.

## SENATE

### Watchdog of the Year

Senator Jackie Dingfelder (D-Portland)



A key moment of the legislative session came before it even began, when Senator Jackie Dingfelder was named to chair the Senate Committee on Environment and Natural Resources. A lifetime 99%

OLCV voter (over five sessions), Dingfelder's leadership of the committee meant many anti-environment bills died quick deaths, allowing legislators to focus on positive bills. Dingfelder championed clean-energy bills, as well as a bill to clean up Oregon rivers by limiting phosphorous in household dish soap, and a water-conservation bill to let households use graywater systems.

### The Dynamic Duo

Reps. Bob Jenson (R-Pendleton) and Jefferson Smith (D-Portland)



Bob Jenson



Jefferson Smith

Rep. Bob Jenson and Rep. Jefferson Smith are a political odd couple: Jenson, a 78-year old veteran Republican statesman from Pendleton, and Smith, a driven 36-year old freshman Democrat from East Portland, were paired and asked to reform Oregon water law. Together, they managed to craft and pass the most significant water bill in more than 20 years. The two spent countless hours working with water interests from across the state. The result: House Bill 3369, a bill that protects fish and wildlife, encourages conservation, cuts water waste, and puts Oregon on the path to having a statewide water management plan.

### Protector of Children's Health

Senator Suzanne Bonamici (D-Beaverton)



While we pay our legislators to work only part-time, Senator Suzanne Bonamici worked throughout the interim and the 2009 session to navigate a complex issue: The use of pesticides in and around schools. Using

her ability to bridge interests and bring people together, Bonamici built broad support for Senate Bill 637, key legislation which requires schools to adopt integrated pest management plans, using pesticides only as a last resort. The bill will protect the health of students, faculty, and workers at Oregon's schools.



# Bill Graveyard

The Scorecard tells a large part of the environmental story of the session, but it doesn't tell the whole story. That's because dozens of pro-environment bills were killed before legislators ever had a chance to vote on them. Read the eulogies on five of them below and make sure your legislators help them rise from the dead in 2011.

## **SENATE BILL 80**

### **Cornerstone Law on Climate Change** Killed by Industry and Utilities

Senate Bill 80 could have created 40,000 jobs for Oregon families by limiting carbon emissions in Oregon. Months of talks ended when legislators allowed the state's major industry and utility companies, who are also the state's largest polluters, to waffle during negotiations and go back on previous commitments, killing the bill.

## **HOUSE BILL 2015**

### **Ensure New Energy Supplies** **Were Responsible**

Killed by the House Sustainability and Economic Development Committee

House Bill 2015, an OCN Priority bill, would have ensured liquefied natural gas facilities met a variety of standards before they could be permitted in Oregon. Those standards included ensuring competitive natural gas prices, protection of fish and wildlife habitat, and consistency with Oregon's commitment to fight the climate crisis. The bill was killed in committee.

## **SENATE BILL 977**

### **Cutting Subsidies of Dirty Utilities** Killed without a House Vote

In a session where legislators cut key environmental and social programs, Senate Bill 977 would have recovered precious tax dollars that currently subsidize the state's reviews of major private energy projects. The bill passed the Senate in a unanimous vote, only to die when Speaker Hunt refused to schedule a vote on the bill.

## **HOUSE BILL 2184**

### **Updates to Oregon's Bottle Bill** Killed by Corporate Lobbyists

House Bill 2184 would have phased in improvements to Oregon's signature Bottle Bill law to cover more containers and increase the nickel deposit if the bottle recycling rate fell. It was twice brought to the House floor but was ultimately killed when industry lobbyists pushed Representatives to postpone action.

## **HOUSE BILL 2367**

### **Protecting Children from Toxics** Killed by the Chemical Industry

House Bill 2367 would have banned two known toxic chemicals, bisphenol-A (BPA) and phthalates, from children's products in Oregon. Many children's products — toys, baby bottles, car-safety seats, baby shampoos, and clothing — contain toxic chemicals linked to a wide array of health effects, including reproductive and hormone problems, learning disabilities, and cancer. Children are uniquely vulnerable to toxic chemicals, which can disrupt their development and cause lifelong health issues. The bill was killed in the House Consumer Protection Committee.

# ACT NOW.

Turn the page to find out how your legislators scored on the environment in 2009.

## **Once you know the score:**

Contact your legislators and tell them what you think about their scores.

Tell them you make Oregon's environmental legacy a priority when you vote — that clean air and water, energy independence, transportation options, and fish and wildlife habitat matter.

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It's not enough just to know the score.

**Your voice makes a difference.**

**Make it heard.**





# Bill Summaries

## CLIMATE & ENERGY

**1** **OCN Priority Bill** **SB 79** cuts energy waste from buildings 10 to 25 percent by updating building codes to increase energy efficiency.  
**YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED SENATE** 20-9 | **PASSED HOUSE** 38-20

**2** **OCN Priority Bill** **SB 101** encourages clean energy by limiting the ability of utility companies to build new coal plants or enter into new long-term contracts with them.  
**YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED SENATE** 17-11 | **PASSED HOUSE** 37-21

**3** **OCN Priority Bill** **HB 2186**, as passed in the Senate, allows the state to cut pollution from fuel 10 percent by 2020, and limits ship idling. That version was significantly stripped down from the earlier House version (scored in chart), which also improved truck aerodynamics and tire efficiency, cut truck idling, and limited high-polluting consumer products.  
**YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED HOUSE** 32-28 (May 8) | **PASSED SENATE** 16-14

**4** **OCN Major Threat** **HB 2940** significantly cuts the amount of new renewable energy required under Oregon's Renewable Energy Standard by counting old biomass facilities as new resources.  
**NO** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED SENATE** 25-3 | **PASSED HOUSE** 54-6 (June 29)  
(Vetoed by Governor)

**5** **OCN Major Threat** **HB 3058** would have fast-tracked dirty liquefied natural gas (LNG) facilities by allowing companies to receive state permits on land they don't own.  
**NO** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED HOUSE** 35-24 | **DIED IN SENATE COMMITTEE**

## WATER

**6** **SB 631** protects Oregon rivers and fish from toxic algae blooms by limiting the amount of phosphorus in household automatic dishwashing soap.  
**YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED SENATE** 26-2 | **PASSED HOUSE** 47-13

**7** **SB 788** will generate funds for long-needed groundwater studies and require water users to pay a fair share of the costs incurred by the Water Resources Department to process water-user requests and manage the state's waters.  
**YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED SENATE** 17-13 | **PASSED HOUSE** 35-24

**8** **OCN Priority Bill** **HB 3369** is a comprehensive water management package that helps migrating fish in the Columbia River, protects streamflows in the Umatilla River, and establishes environmental standards for new water projects around the state.  
**YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED HOUSE** 43-16 | **PASSED SENATE** 20-9

## FISH & WILDLIFE HABITAT

**9** **OCN Priority Bill** **HB 2020** sets up an emergency response fund to react quickly to outbreaks of invasive species, as early detection and response are the best approach. Seeds the fund with \$350,000.  
**YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED HOUSE** 42-16 | **PASSED SENATE** 17-12

**10** **OCN Priority Bill** **HB 2220** allows the state to create mobile boat check stations to inspect and clean boats as needed, preventing the spread of invasive aquatic snails, mussels, and plants.  
**YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED HOUSE** 44-15 | **PASSED SENATE** 26-4

**11** **OCN Priority Bill** **HB 3013** establishes two marine reserves and creates a scientific and community-based process to evaluate four other potential connected sites that together would support Oregon's ocean habitat.  
**YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED HOUSE** 51-0 | **PASSED SENATE** 24-3

## TRANSPORTATION

**12** **OCN Priority Bill** **SB 34** slightly loosens state restrictions on how transit agencies in the Portland and Eugene-Springfield areas can raise money.  
**YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED SENATE** 20-9 | **PASSED HOUSE** 32-28





**“THE CONSERVATION COMMUNITY BUILT A VERY EFFECTIVE COALITION FOR HB 2544, AND THAT’S WHAT IT’S ALL ABOUT – OREGONIANS GETTING INVOLVED IN GETTING THINGS DONE THAT WILL HAVE IMPACTS NOW AND LONG INTO THE FUTURE.”**

**—REPRESENTATIVE PETER BUCKLEY (D-ASHLAND), CHAMPION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION BILL**

**13** **OCN Major Threat** **HB 2001** spends hundreds of millions of dollars on new highways while failing to significantly increase transportation choices or freedom for the one million Oregonians who cannot drive. **NO** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED HOUSE 38-22 | PASSED SENATE 24-6**

## LAND USE

**14** **HB 2227** would have ensured destination resorts were truly for vacationers, and were not constructed in areas with limited water supplies or high fire risk. Many built under the current rules are simply rural subdivisions masquerading as resorts. **YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED SENATE 16-14 | FAILED HOUSE 28-32 (June 24)**

**15** **HB 3298** protects the Metolius River basin, home of the threatened bull trout, from overdevelopment. This landmark bill preserves an Oregon treasure enjoyed by thousands of Oregon families each year. **YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED SENATE 16-12 | PASSED HOUSE 31-28 (June 22)**

## TOXICS & PUBLIC HEALTH

**16** **SB 528** scales back the use of open field burning as a grass-seed growing practice, limiting it to a 15,000-acre area in the Silverton Hills. **YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED SENATE 16-14 | PASSED HOUSE 31-29**

**17** **SB 596** bans the use of the toxic and potentially carcinogenic chemical decabDE in household products starting in 2011. **YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED SENATE 22-8 | PASSED HOUSE 40-18**

**18** **SB 637** requires schools to reduce the use of pesticides in and around schools by using integrated pest management. **YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED HOUSE 40-15 | PASSED SENATE 20-8 (June 12)**

## ENVIRONMENTAL SAFEGUARDS

**19** **SB 105** increases the maximum penalty for most environmental pollution violations from \$10,000 to \$25,000 a day, the first partial adjustment for inflation since 1973. **YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED SENATE 16-13 | PASSED HOUSE 38-21**

**20** **SB 5521** is the budget for the Department of Environmental Quality, which oversees critical state programs for clean water, clean air, toxics clean-up and more. **YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED SENATE 19-11 | PASSED HOUSE 40-19**

## EDUCATION

**21** **HB 2544** sets up the Environmental Literacy Task Force to help Oregon's children spend more time outdoors and connect with the natural world. **YES** is the pro-environment vote  
**PASSED HOUSE 35-24 | PASSED SENATE 16-14**



## BILLS BECOME OREGON'S ENVIRONMENTAL LAWS

So, are these bills laws now? Yes, all of the bills listed here were signed into law by Oregon Gov. Ted Kulongoski (effective dates vary), with three exceptions:

- HB 2227 failed in the House.
- HB 2940, an OCN Major Threat, was vetoed by the Governor.
- HB 3058, another OCN Major Threat, died in Senate committee.

Why do a few of the votes have dates next to them? For five of the bills scored, there was more than one vote in a chamber because the bill's contents changed. In those cases, the date indicates which vote is scored.

Find more information about these bills at [www.olcv.org/scorecard](http://www.olcv.org/scorecard)

# 2009 Oregon Senate Votes

## KEY

- + PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE
- ANTI-ENVIRONMENT VOTE
- A ABSENT OR EXCUSED
- ★ SENATOR WHOSE SCORE WAS 90% OR GREATER
- 👎 SENATOR WHOSE SCORE WAS 25% OR LESS
- ◇ SENATOR WHOSE SCORE DECREASED 25% OR MORE

	2009 OLCV SCORE	2007 OLCV SCORE	2005 OLCV SCORE	SB 79 CLIMATE & ENERGY <small>OCN Priority Bill</small> 1	SB 101 CLIMATE & ENERGY <small>OCN Priority Bill</small> 2	HB 2186 CLIMATE & ENERGY <small>OCN Priority Bill</small> 3	HB 2940 CLIMATE & ENERGY <small>OCN Major Threat</small> 4	* SB 631 WATER 6	SB 788 WATER 7	HB 3369 WATER <small>OCN Priority Bill</small> 8	HB 2020 FISH & WILDLIFE <small>OCN Priority Bill</small> 9
Jason Atkinson (R-Central Point) <span style="color: green;">◇</span> <span style="color: grey;">👎</span>	24%	59%	25%	-	-	-	-	A	-	-	-
Alan Bates (D-Ashland)	85%	88%	75%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Suzanne Bonamici (D-Beaverton) ★	95%	100%*	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Brian Boquist (R-Dallas) <span style="color: green;">◇</span> <span style="color: grey;">👎</span>	13%	54%*	12%*	-	A	-	A	A	-	A	-
Ginny Burdick (D-Portland) ★	90%	100%	100%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Margaret Carter (D-Portland)	84%	87%	64%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Peter Courtney (D-Salem) ★	90%	89%	67%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Richard Devlin (D-Tualatin) ★	94%	100%	92%	+	A	+	A	+	+	+	+
Jackie Dingfelder (D-Portland) ★	95%	100%*	100%*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Ted Ferrioli (R-John Day) <span style="color: grey;">👎</span>	10%	21%	0%	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-
Larry George (R-Sherwood) <span style="color: grey;">👎</span>	5%	13%	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-
Fred Girod (R-Stayton) <span style="color: grey;">👎</span>	10%	20%*	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-
Mark Hass (D-Beaverton) ★	90%	-	88%*	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Betsy Johnson (D-Scappoose) <span style="color: green;">◇</span>	75%	100%	58%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-
Jeff Kruse (R-Roseburg) <span style="color: grey;">👎</span>	15%	16%	8%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rick Metsger (D-Welches)	75%	94%	83%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Laurie Monnes Anderson (D-Gresham) ★	90%	95%	75%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Rod Monroe (D-Portland) ★	90%	89%	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Bill Morrisette (D-Springfield) ★	90%	89%	75%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Frank Morse (R-Albany) <span style="color: green;">◇</span>	26%	58%	17%	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-
David Nelson (R-Pendleton)	56%	72%	17%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Floyd Prozanski (D-Eugene)	79%	95%	83%	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	A
Diane Rosenbaum (D-Portland) ★	95%	95%*	100%*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Martha Schrader (D-Canby)	75%	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+
Bruce Starr (R-Hillsboro) <span style="color: green;">◇</span>	32%	69%	8%	A	-	-	-	+	-	-	+
Chris Telfer (R-Bend) <span style="color: grey;">👎</span>	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-
Joanne Verger (D-Coos Bay)	70%	68%	58%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Vicki Walker (D-Eugene)	78%	95%	92%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Doug Whitsett (R-Klamath Falls) <span style="color: grey;">👎</span>	15%	26%	8%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Jackie Winters (R-Salem)	45%	53%	20%	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+

\*Vote 5 from the House chart (House Bill 3058) is not represented here because it died before the Senate could vote on it.

\*Scores from service in the Oregon House.





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Jules Bailey (D-Portland) ★	90%	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Jeff Barker (D-Aloha)	71%	95%	93%	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
Phil Barnhart (D-Eugene) ★	90%	100%	94%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Brent Barton (D-Clackamas)	81%	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Cliff Bentz (R-Ontario) 👉	25%	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+
Vicki Berger (R-Salem)	45%	65%	13%	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
Terry Beyer (D-Springfield) ◇	71%	100%	57%	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+
Deborah Boone (D-Cannon Beach)	81%	85%	47%	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	+	+
Scott Bruun (R-West Linn)	50%	70%	25%	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+
Peter Buckley (D-Ashland) ★	90%	100%	94%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Kevin Cameron (R-Salem)	29%	45%	12%	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-
Ben Cannon (D-Portland) ★	100%	94%	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Brian Clem (D-Salem)	85%	84%	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	A
Jean Cowan (D-Newport) ★	90%	95%	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Michael Dembrow (D-Portland) ★	90%	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Chris Edwards (D-Eugene)	86%	90%	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
David Edwards (D-Hillsboro) ★	90%	89%	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Sal Esquivel (R-Medford) ◇ 👉	15%	47%	12%	A	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-
Tim Freeman (R-Roseburg) 👉	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-
Larry Galizio (D-Tigard) ★	90%	94%	88%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Bill Garrard (R-Klamath Falls) 👉	19%	40%	18%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chris Garrett (D-Lake Oswego)	86%	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Sara Gelser (D-Corvallis) ★	90%	100%	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Vic Gilliam (R-Silverton) 👉	24%	26%	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-
George Gilman (R-Medford) 👉	14%	25%	12%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Mitch Greenlick (D-Portland) ★	95%	95%	94%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Bruce Hanna (R-Roseburg) ◇ 👉	10%	55%	12%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chris Harker (D-Beaverton) ★	95%	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Paul Holvey (D-Eugene) ★	90%	95%	88%	+	+	+	-	A	+	+	+	+
John Huffman (R-The Dalles) 👉	19%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-

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CHAYSE RED, AGE 3, ON THE BEACH IN MANZANITA

“THE SOLEMN EXPRESSION ON HER YOUNG FACE, GAZING OUT OVER THE VAST OCEAN BEFORE HER, SPEAKS VOLUMES TO ME. THIS EXPERIENCE MUST BE PROTECTED AND PROVIDED FOR ALL GENERATIONS TO COME.”

— KAREN ERICKSON, CHAYSE'S GRANDMOTHER

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Dave Hunt (D-Gladstone)	76%	90%	57%	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Bob Jenson (R-Pendleton)	50%	53%	12%	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+
Nick Kahl (D-Portland) ★	95%	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Bill Kenemer (R-Oregon City)	35%	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+
Betty Komp* (D-Woodburn) ◇	58%	95%	59%	+	A	+	-	-	+	A	A	A
Tina Kotek (D-Portland)	85%	95%	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Wayne Krieger (R-Gold Beach) 👎	19%	40%	12%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Greg Matthews (D-Gresham)	71%	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Ron Maurer (R-Grants Pass) ◇ 👎	14%	40%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nancy Nathanson (D-Eugene) ★	90%	95%	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Mary Nolan (D-Portland) ★	90%	94%	100%	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Andy Olson (R-Albany) ◇ 👎	15%	45%	6%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
Tobias Read (D-Beaverton)	85%	95%	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Dennis Richardson (R-Central Point) 👎	24%	32%	12%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chuck Riley (D-Hillsboro) ★	90%	95%	82%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Arnie Roblan (D-Coos Bay)	86%	89%	41%	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Mike Schaufler (D-Happy Valley)	52%	70%	38%	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	+
Chip Shields (D-Portland) ★	90%	95%	100%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Greg Smith (R-Heppner) 👎	24%	40%	12%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
Jefferson Smith (D-Portland) ★	90%	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Sherrie Sprenger (R-Scio) 👎	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Judy Stiegler (D-Bend)	76%	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Kim Thatcher (R-Keizer) 👎	15%	28%	0%	-	A	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
Jim Thompson (R-Dallas) 👎	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
Carolyn Tomei (D-Milwaukie) ★	90%	100%	100%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Suzanne VanOrman (D-Hood River)	80%	-	-	A	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Jim Weidner (R-Yamhill) 👎	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
Gene Whisnant (R-Sunriver)	29%	42%	12%	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+
Matt Wingard (R-Wilsonville) 👎	14%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brad Witt (D-Clatskanie)	76%	95%	88%	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+

\*Betty Komp missed many votes this session due to illness.



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MEADOWS FULL OF WILDFLOWERS ON THE SOUTHWEST SIDE OF MT. HOOD IN MT. HOOD WILDERNESS

“WE NEED PROACTIVE LEADERS THAT WE CAN DEPEND ON TO PROTECT THE HEALTH OF OUR ENVIRONMENT AND THAT OF OREGONIANS.”

— CARLA HERVERT, OLCV SUPPORTER

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*"I reconsidered my vote after an outpouring of people shared with me their profound personal stories about how the Metolius has affected their lives. Citizen voices truly can make the difference in how legislators vote."* — Rep. Larry Galizio (D-Tigard)

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