

# Maine League of Conservation Voters

# ENVIRONMENTAL SCORECARD/2003

FOR MEMBERS OF THE 121ST MAINE LEGISLATURE

# Dear Maine Conservationist,

The decisions our elected officials make determine our health and quality of life. Because our natural resources are the backbone of our economy, they determine our wealth. Most importantly, they determine whether we will leave the Maine we love to our children and grandchildren.

That's why Maine citizens need to know how their legislators voted on the most important conservation issues to come before them. You will find that information here in our annual *Environmental Scorecard*. This year we tracked votes on a range of issues including land and wildlife protection, climate change, and poisonous products.

We know that sponsoring bills, forging compromise, and persuading other legislators are important actions a roll call can't measure. Because roll calls don't tell the entire story, we give additional information and analysis in our *Noteworthy* section, found on page 7.

Note how your State Senator and Representative voted on these important issues, and let them know how you feel about their work. See the back page for a full list of ways you can help make Maine's natural resources a political priority.

Sincerely,

Dan Amory, President

Eliza Townsend, Executive Director

How do your elected representatives measure up? Find out for yourself, and let them know how you feel about their work.



## **DESCRIPTION OF VOTES**



### LD #94

### An Act to Limit the Use of State Funds to Purchase **Land or Conservation Easements**

Sponsor: Rep. Henry Joy

This bill would have meant fewer local properties preserved for farmland, recreation, and boat access. It would have blocked any non-state group from receiving any Land for Maine's Future funds for land conservation, even if the state provided only a portion of the money for the purchase. It also would have prevented a state agency that holds any interest in real estate purchased using LMF funds from contracting for management services. The state benefits from working with partners such as towns and local land trusts. We make our money go further, and ensure that in addition to preserving large and spectacular remote tracts of land, we also protect smaller properties.

House Roll Call #8

Pro-Environment Vote: YES / Accept Majority Ought Not to Pass Report

House Vote: March 19, 2003: Yes 86; No 48; Absent 17

Final Outcome: Bill Failed



### An Act to Prohibit Coyote Snaring and Eliminate the **Coyote Snaring Program**

Sponsor: Rep. Linda McKee

As originally proposed, LD #237 would have ended the current coyote snaring program run by the Department of Inland Fish and Wildlife. The program is meant to reduce the coyote population to benefit deer, their prey. The problem is that snares don't discriminate as to what they trap and kill. Bald eagles, classified as a threatened species by the federal government, have been found in snares, as have bobcats, snowshoe hares, and fox. Bear and moose have also been found with snares around their necks and the federally threatened Canada lynx is at risk. The program does little to benefit deer, because coyotes respond to population reduction by increasing their litter size. An amended version of the bill that put the current program rules into law, but did not eliminate coyote snaring, ultimately passed. Since lawmakers had to vote against that version in order to vote to end snaring, a "No" vote was the pro-environment vote in this case.

House Roll Call #24

Pro-Environment Vote: NO / Against Majority Ought to Pass as Amended Report

House Vote: April 2, 2003: Yes 88; No 51; Absent 12 Final Outcome: Weaker version passed



### LD #348

### An Act to Limit State Land Ownership

Sponsor: Sen. Kevin Shorey

This bill would have hampered conservation by limiting the amount of land that could be owned by the state to 20% of Maine's land area, or 33% of the land area of any one county. It defined land ownership to include conservation easements and development rights. Maine has one of the lowest percentages of publicly owned land in the country and the opportunities we have long enjoyed to fish, hunt and hike on private land are threatened by land sales and increased development. We need more land conservation, not less. Passing LD #348 could have meant that the state would have to pass on acquiring properties, no matter how special, if the cap had already been reached. Support of 2/3rds of the legislature would be required to lift the cap, giving lawmakers veto power over every project to come forward after an arbitrary threshold.

Senate Roll Call #29

Pro-Environment Vote: YES / Accept Majority Ought Not to Pass Report

Senate Vote: April 10, 2003: Yes 21; No 13; Absent 1

Final Outcome: Bill failed



# An Act to Provide Leadership in Addressing the Threat of Climate Change

Sponsor: Rep. Theodore Koffman

Under this bill, Maine will do its part to reduce greenhouse gas emissions. The state will adopt an action plan by July 2004; create a greenhouse gas emissions inventory for state-owned facilities and state-funded programs as well as inventory all emissions statewide; participate in a regional greenhouse gas registry and seek to establish carbon emission reduction agreements with businesses and nonprofit organizations. Greenhouse gas emissions are causing global climate change, risking severe impacts on our environment, economy and way of life. Scientists are documenting an increase in severe weather conditions, rising sea levels, and the melting of the polar ice cap. Predicted future effects in Maine include increased flooding, smog, and health threats from insects.

House Roll Call #94

Pro Environment Vote: YES / Enactment House Vote: May 13, 2003: Yes 86; No 60; Absent 5

Final Outcome: Bill passed

KEY:

= Pro-environment bill



= Anti-environment bill

### LD #886

# An Act to Require State Reimbursements When Laws or Rules Devalue Private Property ("Takings")

Sponsor: Rep. Henry Joy

This bill meant to make environmental regulations too costly to implement, and the result would be to undermine protection of our environment and public health. The bill, nearly identical to versions previously defeated, required that landowners be compensated for the loss of value to their property due to state and local regulations. Supporters overlook the fact that a Land Use Mediation Program has existed since 1996. By all reports that program works, and the takings bill is unnecessary.

House Roll Call #132

Pro Environment Vote: YES / Accept Majority Ought Not to Pass Report

House Vote: May 20, 2003: Yes 95; No 41; Absent 15

Senate Roll Call #70

Pro Environment Vote: YES / Accept the Majority Ought Not to Pass Report

Senate Vote: May 21, 2003: Yes 25; No 10

Final Outcome: Bill failed



### An Act to Abolish the State Planning Office

Sponsor: Rep. Henry Joy

This bill sought to abolish the State Planning Office. The SPO is responsible for planning the state's waste management and recycling, developing landfill capacity and assisting municipalities with recycling. It also helps municipalities with land use planning, code enforcement, floodplain management, flood mitigation, community development, and certifying code enforcement officers. Its report, The Costs of Sprawl, has become the basis of the state's Smart Growth initiative. The SPO administers the Land for Maine's Future Program and coordinates the implementation of the Gulf of Maine Action Plan. These services would have been jeopardized if the bill had passed.

House Roll Call #70

Pro-Environment Vote: YES / Accept Majority Ought Not to Pass Report

House Vote: May 6, 2003: Yes 88; No 48; Absent 15

Final Outcome: Bill failed

### LD #1234

### An Act to Protect Moderate-value and High-value **Bird Habitats**

Sponsor: Rep. Sean Faircloth

Maine's Natural Resources Protection Act requires the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife to map significant wildlife habitat, including the kind that supports wading birds and waterfowl. The information is used by the Department of Environmental Protection in evaluating permits and by municipalities in crafting shore land zoning ordinances; it is essential to ensuring that important wildlife habitats are adequately protected. Because the habitat hasn't been mapped, some towns are creating ordinances using information that is 30 years old. LD #1234 is a directive from the Legislature to the department to fulfill its obligation using the rulemaking process. The debate was an insider one over rulemaking. We tracked the votes on an amendment that required rules to be approved by the Legislature, making a scientific decision into a political one and offering opponents another opportunity to weaken the rules.

House Roll Call #213

Pro-Environment Vote: YES / Indefinitely Postpone House Amendment #543

(Sponsor: Rep. Carr)

House Vote: June 3, 2003: Yes 73; No 65; Absent 13 Final Outcome: Bill passed without the amendment

### An Act To Protect Human Health by Reducing **Exposure to Arsenic**

Sponsor: Rep. Scott Cowger

This bill speeds the phase-out of arsenic treated lumber by prohibiting the purchase of this product by retailers by fall 2003 and its re-sale as of April 2004. Arsenic is known to cause cancer, and children are exposed to it when they play on playgrounds and decks built with arsenic-treated lumber. The Maine Bureau of Health found health risks from exposure to arsenic in pressure-treated lumber were just as high as the risks from exposure to arsenic in drinking water. The bill contained a series of other provisions that spread the responsibility for reducing arsenic exposure, including public education and planning to restrict inappropriate disposal of arsenic-treated wood. sOpponents tried to weaken the bill by removing the phase out provisions. Voting to defeat the bad amendment was the pro-environment vote.

Senate Roll Call #138

Pro-Environment Vote: YES / Indefinitely Postpone Senate Amendment #247

(Sponsor: Sen. Weston)

Senate Vote: May 29, 2003: Yes 18; No 17

House Roll Call #202

Pro-Environment Vote: YES / Indefinitely Postpone House Amendment #545

(Sponsor: Rep. Kaelin)

House Vote: June 2, 2003: Yes 73; No 71; Absent 7 Final Outcome: Bill passed without the amendment

# **Key Committees of the 121st Legislature**

The committees listed below make decisions on the bulk of the natural resource related issues that come before the Maine Legislature. (Some issues, particularly those involving financial and tax policy, are decided in other committees.) Each committee considers proposed legislation in its area of jurisdiction, votes on it, and submits its report for a vote by the entire House and Senate.

You will find here a list of the key committees, their jurisdictions, membership, and contact information. Committees consist of 3 Senate members and 10 House Members, with a Senate Chair and a House Chair. We have included each member's environmental voting record for the first session of the 121st Legislature. For further information, visit the Legislature's website at: http://janus.state.me.us/legis.

### **Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry**

Department of Agriculture; agriculture marketing; animal welfare; food inspection; dairy industry; pesticides regulation; soil and water conservation; farmland preservation; harness racing; public access to lands; forest practices; fire control and forest management, marketing and utilization; Department of Conservation, including state parks, memorials and historic sites, public lands, coastal islands registry; Maine Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC); Baxter State Park Authority and geological surveying and mapping.

Committee Clerk: Brent Gordon Analyst: Jill Ippoliti Hearing Room: Room 206, State Office Building Office: Room 206A, State Office Building Phone: 287-1312

#### Senators -

Bruce Bryant, Chair (D-Oxford) 3/3 Richard Kneeland (R-Aroostook) 1/3 Edward Youngblood (R-Penobscot) 0/3

### Representatives -

Linda Rogers McKee, Chair (D-Wayne) 6/8 Jacqueline A. Lundeen (D-Mars Hill) 6/8 Raymond G. Pineau (D-Jay) 8/8 John Piotti (D-Unity) 8/8 Nancy Smith (D-Monmouth) 8/8

Roderick Carr (R-Lincoln) 0/8 Ken Honey (R-Boothbay) 1/8 Eugene Churchill (R-Orland) 1/8 Kenneth Fletcher (R-Winslow) 1/8 John Eder (G-Portland) 7/8

### **Transportation**

Department of Transportation; Maine Turnpike Authority; Highway Fund; transportation policy; aeronautics; highway and bridge construction and maintenance; highway safety; waterways; railroads; and motor vehicles.

### Senators —

Pamela Hatch, Chair (D-Somerset) 3/3 Dennis Damon (D-Hancock) 2/3 Christine Savage (R-Knox) 1/3

### Representatives -

Ronald Usher, Chair (D-Westbrook) 5/8 Boyd Marley (D-Portland) 8/8 Rosaire Paradis (D-Frenchville) 7/8 Lisa Marrache (D-Waterville) 4/8 Terrence McKenney (R-Cumberland Ctr.) 0/8 Committee Clerk: Judy St. Pierre

Analysts: Nicole Dube, Jill Ippoliti & Lock Kiermaier Hearing Room: Room 126, State House Office: Room 122, State House Phone: 287-4148

Sonya Sampson (D-Auburn) 6/8 Ronald Collins (R-Wells) 1/8 Deborah McNeil (R-Rockland) 2/8 Arlan Jodrey (R-Bethel) 1/8 William Browne (R-Vassalboro) 1/8

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Committee Clerk: Chris

Analyst: Curtis Bentley

State House

Office: Room 433,

State House

Phone: 287-1337

Hearing Room: Room 437,

### **Marine Resources**

Department of Marine Resources; commercial marine fisheries management, licensing and enforcement; processing and sale of marine fish and shellfish; aquaculture; and anadromous fish.

### Senators —

Dennis Damon, Chair (D-Hancock) 2/3 Peggy A. Pendleton (D-Cumberland) 3/3 Richard Bennett (R-Oxford) 2/3

### Representatives -

Thomas D. Bull, Chair (D-Freeport) 8/8 Nancy B. Sullivan (D-Biddeford) 8/8 Walter E. Ash, Jr. (D-Belfast) 5/8 Edward Dugay (D-Cherryfield) 3/8 Leila Percy (D-Phippsburg) 8/8

Kevin Muse (R-Fryeburg) 1/8 Deborah McNeil (R-Rockland) 2/8 Jeffrey Kaelin (R-Winterport) 1/8 Earl Bierman (R-Sorrento) 0/8 Stephen Bowen (R-Rockport) 3/8

Frederick Moore III (Passamaquoddy Tribe) N/A

#### **Inland Fisheries and Wildlife**

Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife; hunting; fishing; trapping; recreational and hunter safety; fisheries and wildlife research; fish hatcheries; wardens; licensing; ATVs; snowmobiles; boat registration; and whitewater rafting.

#### Senators —

Bruce Bryant, Chair (D-Oxford) 3/3 David Carpenter (R-York) 1/3 Richard Kneeland (R-Aroostook) 1/3

#### Representatives -

Matthew Dunlap, Chair (D-Old Town) 7/8 Monica McGlocklin (D-Embden) 6/8 Raymond G. Pineau (D-Jay) 8/8 Thomas Watson (D-Bath) 7/8 Walter Wheeler (D-Kittery) 7/8

Committee Clerk: Darlene Simoneau Analysts: Curtis Bentley & Jon Clark

Hearing Room: Room 206, State Office Building Office: Room 206B, State Office Building **Phone:** 287-1338

Committee Clerk: Elizabeth

Hearing Room: Room 437,

Chairs' Office: Room 435,

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State House

State House

Phone: 287-4149

Analyst: Susan

Raymond Wotton (D-Littleton) 5/8 A. David Trahan (R-Waldoboro) 2/8 Ken Honey (R-Boothbay) 1/8 James Tobin (R-Dexter) 0/8 Earl Richardson (R-Greenville) 0/8

### **Natural Resources**

Air and water quality; natural resource protection; site location, shoreland zoning and growth management; subdivisions; management and disposal of solid, hazardous, biomedical and special wastes; hydropower and dams; energy facility siting; waste to energy facilities; mining; subdivisions and shoreland zoning; and general environmental policy, including oversight of the Department of Environmental Protection.

### Senators -

John Martin, Chair (D-Aroostook) 3/3 Betheda G. Edmonds (D-Cumberland) 3/3 W. Tom Sawyer, Jr. (R-Penobscot) 0/3

### Representatives –

Theodore Koffman, Chair (D-Bar Harbor) 8/8 Joanne T. Twomey (D-Biddeford) 7/8 Deborah Hutton (D-Bowdoinham) 8/8 Elaine Makas (D-Lewiston) 8/8 Thomas Saviello (D-Wilton) 7/8

Judd Thompson (D-China) 6/8 Robert Daigle (R-Arundel) 4/8 David Tobin (R-Windham) 1/8 Henry Joy (R-Crystal) 0/8 James Annis (R-Dover-Foxcroft) 3/8

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Phone: 287-4143

Analyst: Jon Clark

Committee Clerk: Kristen

Hearing Room: Room 209,

Chairs' Office: Room 210,

State Office Building

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### Utilities and Energy

Public Utilities Commission; Public Advocate; regulated public utilities (electric, gas, water and telephone); electric industry restructuring; telecommunications; cable television; water, sewer and utility district charters; non-utility power generation (power purchase contracts); energy efficiency and conservation; alternate energy sources; nuclear power; energy policy; and energy production and transmission.

Christopher Hall, Chair (D-Lincoln) 3/3 Lynn Bromley (D-Cumberland) 3/3 Edward Youngblood (R-Penobscot) 0/3

### Representatives —

Lawrence Bliss, Chair (D-South Portland) 7/8 Donald Berry (R-Belmont) 0/8 Herbert Adams (D-Portland) 8/8 Albion D. Goodwin (*D-Pembroke*) 1/8 Maitland Richardson (R-Skowhegan) 0/8 Jacqueline A. Lundeen (D-Mars Hill) 6/8

Phillip Cressey (R-Baldwin) 0/8 Kenneth Fletcher (R-Winslow) 1/8 Stanley Moody (R-Manchester) 4/8 Peter L. Rines (D-Wiscasset) 4/8

### LD #1549

### **An Act To Fund Municipal Collection of Household Hazardous Waste**

Sponsor: Rep. Theodore Koffman

This bill will help municipalities collect and properly dispose of poisonous substances. The University of Maine estimates that every year Mainers collectively toss into their trash approximately 20 million pounds of hazardous waste, like pesticides, solvents, oil-based paints, chemical cleaning compounds, and antifreeze. Originally the bill placed a fee of 20 cents on paint and pesticides to fund a collection and disposal system for these poisons. Unfortunately Governor Baldacci refused to support the fee. The bill

was amended to start the program, using the Waste Reductions and Recycling Fund. That money will run out after the first year, and no plans exist yet on how to continue the program. The Department of Environmental Protection will study potential sources of funding and submit recommendations by January, 2004.

House Roll Call #209

Pro-Environment Vote: YES / Enactment

House Vote: June 3, 2003: Yes 72; No 70; Absent 9 Final Outcome: Bill passed with one-year funding

# MAINE LEAGUE OF CONSERVATION VOTERS – 2003 HOUSE SCORECARD

				Pro-Environmental Votes				2003 SESSION						
NAME	TOWN	PARTY	2003	2001- 2002	1999- 2000	1997- 1998	Limit Land LD 94	Coyote LD 237	Climate Change LD 845	<b>Takings</b> LD 886	Planning LD 1067	Bird Habitat LD 1234	Arsenic LD 1309	Hazardous Waste LD 1549
ADAMS, Herbert	Portland	D	8/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
ANDREWS, Mary	York	R	1/8	27%	42%	*	+	-	-	-	a	-	a	-
ANNIS, James	Dover-Foxcroft	R	3/8	55%	*	*	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-
ASH, Walter	Belfast	D	5/8	73%	*	*	+	+	+	+	a	+	-	-
AUSTIN, Susan	Gray	R	1/8	*	*	*	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
BARSTOW, Christopher	Gorham	D	8/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
BENNETT, Philip	Caribou	D	5/8	*	*	*	+	-	+	+	+	-	a	+
BERRY, Donald	Belmont	R	0/8	9%	42%	8%	-	-	-	a	-	a	-	a
BERUBE, Robert	Lisbon	R	0/8	*	*	*	a	-	-	-	a	-	-	-
BIERMAN, Leonard BLANCHETTE, Patricia	Sorrento	R	0/8		*	*	a	-	-	a	-	-	-	-
	Bangor South Portland	D D	7/8	73%	*	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
BLISS, Lawrence BOWEN, Stephen	Rockport	R	7/8 3/8	82% *	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
BOWLES, David	Sanford	R	0/8	0%	33%	*	-	-	-	-	-	_	-	-
BRANNIGAN, Joseph	Portland	D	6/8	100%	*	*	+	_	+	+	+	a	+	+
BREAULT, Bonita	Buxton	D	7/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	a	+	+
BROWN, Richard	South Berwick	R	3/8	*	*	*	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-
BROWNE, William	Vassalboro	R	1/8	*	*	*	-	-	-	+	-	a	-	-
BRUNO, Joseph	Raymond	R	2/8	45%	66%	42%	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
BRYANT-DESCHENES, Joan	Turner	R	1/8	*	*	*	a	+	-	-	a	-	-	-
BULL, Thomas	Freeport	D	8/8	100%	100%	92%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
BUNKER, George	Kossuth Twnshp	D	7/8	73%	*	33%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
CAMPBELL, James	Newfield	R	1/8	*	*	*	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CANAVAN, Marilyn	Waterville	D	8/8	73%	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
CARR, Roderick	Lincoln	R	0/8	9%	25%	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CHURCHILL, Eugene	Orland	R	1/8	*	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-
CHURCHILL, John	Washburn	R	0/8	*	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CLARK, Joseph	Millinocket	D	2/8	36%	17%	17%	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-
CLOUGH, Harold	Scarborough	R	0/8	0%	25%	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
COLLINS, Ronald	Wells	R	1/8	0%	33%	*	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
COLWELL, Patrick	Gardiner	D	7/8	100%	66%	75%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
COURTNEY, Jonathan	Sanford	R	0/8			*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
COWGER, Scott	Hallowell	D	6/8	100%	92%	67%	a	+	a	+	+	+	+	+
CRAVEN, Margaret	Lewiston	D	8/8		*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
CRESSEY, Philip CROSTHWAITE, Robert	Baldwin	R R	0/8 0/8	9% *	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CUMMINGS, Glenn	Ellsworth Portland	D	8/8	91%	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
CURLEY, Darlene	Scarborough	R	1/8	*	*	*	+	-	_	_	-	a	_	a
DAIGLE, Robert	Arundel	R	4/8	55%	66%	*	+	-	+	+	+	- a	_	- a
DAVIS, Gerald	Falmouth	R	5/8	55%	58%	*	+	+	+	+	_	_	а	+
DUDLEY, Benjamin	Portland	D	7/8	100%	100%	*	+	+	a	+	+	+	+	+
DUGAY, Edward	Cherryfield	D	3/8	9%	42%	*	a	-	+	a	+	+	a	-
DUNLAP, Matthew	Old Town	D	7/8	82%	83%	67%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
DUPLESSIE, Robert	Westbrook	D	7/8	100%	83%	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
DUPREY, Brian	Hampden	R	1/8	0%	*	*	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
DUPREY, Guy	Medway	D	5/8	*	*	*	-	a	+	+	+	+	+	-
EARLE, William	Damariscotta	D	7/8	*	*	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
EDER, John	Portland	G	7/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
FAIRCLOTH, Sean	Bangor	D	8/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
FINCH, Edward	Fairfield	D	6/8	*	*	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-
FISCHER, Jeremy	Presque Isle	D	7/8	*	*	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
FLETCHER, Kenneth	Winslow	R	1/8	*	*	*	+	-	-	a	-	a	-	a
GAGNE-FRIEL, Rosita	Buckfield	D	8/8	82%	92%	75%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
GERZOFSKY, Stan	Brunswick	D	6/8	91%	*	*	+	a	+	a	+	+	+	+
GLYNN, Kevin	South Portland	R	0/8	9%	25%	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
GOODWIN, Albion	Pembroke	D	1/8	9%	33%	0%	a	-	а	a	а	-	+	-
GREELEY, Christian	Levant	R	0/8	*	*	*	-	-	-	a	-	-	-	-
GROSE, Carol	Woolwich	D	6/8	*	*	*	а	+	+	+	+	+	+	а
HATCH, Paul	Skowhegan	D	8/8	64%	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
HEIDRICH, Theodore	Oxford	R	0/8	9%	42%		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HONEY, Ken	Boothbay	R	1/8	45% *	66%	0%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
HOTHAM, Randy HUTTON, Deborah	Dixfield Bowdoinham	R D	2/8 8/8	91%	*	*	a	-	a	+	-	-		+
JACKSON, Troy	Fort Kent	U	4/8	91% *	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
JACOBSEN, Lawrence	Waterboro	R	1/8	*	*	*	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
JENNINGS, Rodney	Leeds	D	6/8	*	*	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-
JODREY, Arlan	Bethel	R	1/8	18%	33%	*	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-
JOY, Henry	Crystal	R	0/8	*	8%	0%	-	-	-	-	a	-	_	-
KAELIN, Jeff	Winterport	R	1/8	*	*	*	a	-	+	-	-	-	-	-
KANE, Thomas	Saco	D	7/8	100%	92%	83%	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
KETTERER, Susanne	Madison	D	7/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	a	+	+	+	+
KOFFMAN, Theodore	Bar Harbor	D	8/8	64%	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
LANDRY, Roger LAVERRIERE-	Sanford	D	4/8	*	*	*	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	+
BOUCHER, Marie	Biddeford	D	8/8	100%	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
LEDWIN, Mary Ellen	Holden	R	3/8	27%	*	*	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-
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LEMOINE, David	Old Orchd Beach	D	7/8	100%	100%	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
LERMAN, Arthur	Augusta	D	7/8	*	*	*	+	+	а	+	+	+	+	+
LESSARD, Paul	Topsham	D	7/8	91%	*	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
LEWIN, Sarah	Eliot	R	0/8	*	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
LUNDEEN, Jacqueline	Mars Hill	D	6/8	82%	*	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+
MAILHOT, Richard	South Portland Lewiston	R D	0/8 5/8	73%	92%	58%	+	-	+	a a	a +	+	+	-
MAKAS, Elaine	Lewiston	D	8/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MARLEY, Boyd	Portland	D	8/8	100%	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MARRACHE, Lisa	Waterville	D	4/8	36%	*	*	+	a	+	+	a	a	-	+
MCCORMICK, Earle	West Gardiner	R	3/8	*	*	*	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-
MCGLOCKLIN, Monica	Embden	D	6/8	73%	75%	*	+	a	+	+	+	+	+	-
MCGOWAN, Bernard	Pittsfield	D	4/8	36%	*	*	a	-	+	а	+	+	+	-
MCKEE, Linda	Wayne	D	6/8	82%	100%	100%	+	+	+	+	+	a	+	a
MCKENNEY, Terrence MCLAUGHLIN, Janet	Cumberland Cape Elizabeth	R D	0/8 8/8	27% 73%	25%	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
MCNEIL, Deborah	Rockland	R	2/8	36%	25%	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
MILLETT, H. Sawin	Waterford	R	2/8	*	*	*	_	_	-	+	+	a	_	_
MILLS, Janet	Farmington	D	6/8	*	*	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-
MILLS, S. Peter	Cornville	R	6/8	43%	63%	50%	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+
MOODY, Stanley	Manchester	R	4/8	*	*	*	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	+
MOORE, Gary	Standish	R	1/8	*	*	*	а	a	-	+	а	-	-	-
MURPHY, Thomas	Kennebunk	R	2/8	18%	58%	8%	+	-	+	-	а	-	-	-
MUSE, Kevin	Fryeburg	R	1/8	27%	*	*	a	-	-	+	-	-	-	-
NORBERT, William	Portland	D	8/8	100%	83%	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
NORTON, Jacqueline NUTTING, Robert	Bangor Oakland	D R	8/8 1/8	64% 18%	66%	*	+	+ a	+	+	+	+	+	+
O'BRIEN, Julie Ann	Augusta	R	0/8	36%	50%	25%	a	- -	-	-	-	-	-	-
O'BRIEN, Lillian	Lewiston	D	5/8	73%	82%	*	+	-	+	+	a	+	+	a
O'NEIL, Christoper	Saco	D	6/8	100%	92%	83%	+	-	+	+	a	+	+	+
PARADIS, Rosaire	Frenchville	D	7/8	91%	*	*	+	a	+	+	+	+	+	+
PATRICK, John	Rumford	D	7/8	91%	*	*	+	a	+	+	+	+	+	+
PEAVEY-HASKELL,	0 1 1		4.0	00/	*	*								
Anita	Greenbush	R	1/8	9% *	*	*	-	+	-	-	a	-	-	-
PELLON, Edward PERCY, Leila	Machias Phippsburg	D D	6/8 8/8	*	*	*	+	a +	+	+	+	+	a	+
PERRY, Anne	Calais	D	7/8	*	*	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
PERRY, Joseph	Bangor	D	3/8	64%	42%	33%	+	a	+	a	a	a	+	a
PINEAU, Raymond	Jay	D	8/8	82%	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
PINGREE, Hannah	North Haven	D	8/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
PIOTTI, John	Unity	D	8/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
RECTOR, Christopher	Thomaston	R	6/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	-	a	+
RICHARDSON, Earl	Greenville	R	0/8	*	25%	*	-	-	-	a	-	-	-	-
RICHARDSON, John	Brunswick	D	7/8	73%	100%	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
RICHARDSON, Maitland	Skowhegan	R	0/8		*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
RINES, Peter ROGERS, William	Wiscasset Brewer	D R	4/8 0/8	91% *	*	*	+	-	+	a -	+	+	-	-
ROSEN, Richard	Bucksport	R	2/8	27%	42%	*	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-
SAMPSON, Sonya	Auburn	D	6/8	*	*	*	a	+	+	+	+	a	+	+
SAVIELLO, Thomas	Wilton	D	7/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
SHERMAN, Roger	Hodgdon	R	1/8	9%	17%	*	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SHIELDS, Thomas	Auburn	R	0/8	9%	33%	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SIMPSON, Deborah	Auburn	D	7/8	91%	*	*	+	а	+	+	+	+	+	+
SMITH, Nancy	Monmouth	D	8/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
SMITH, William	Van Buren	D	7/8	64%	*	170/	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
SNOWE-MELLO, Lois STONE, Oscar	Poland Berwick	R R	0/8 1/8	9% *	25%	17%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
SUKEFORTH, Gary	Union	ı	1/8	*	*	*	-	+	-	+	a -	-	-	-
SULLIVAN, Nancy	Biddeford	D	8/8	100%	92%	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
SUSLOVIC, Edward	Portland	D	8/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
SYKES, Richard	Harrison	R	0/8	*	*	*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TARDY, Joshua	Newport	R	1/8	*	*	*	a	a	-	+	-	-	-	a
THOMAS, Jonathan	Orono	D	8/8	100%	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
THOMPSON, Judd	China	D	6/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	a	+	a
TOBIN, David	Windham	R	1/8	36%	66%	*	a	-	-	-	+	-	-	-
TOBIN, James	Dexter	R	0/8	27%	17%	8%	-	-	-	a	-	-	-	-
TRAHAN, A. David	Waldoboro	R	2/8	27%	33%	*	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+
TREADWELL, Russell	Carmel	R	0/8	9% 100%	8% 100%	0%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
TWOMEY, Joanne USHER, Ronald	Biddeford Westbrook	D D	7/8 5/8	100% 73%	100% 58%	25%	a	+	+	+	+	+ a	+	+
VAUGHAN, Michael	Durham	R	0/8	/3%	58%	25% *	+	-	+	+	+	a -	-	+
WALCOTT, William	Lewiston	D	8/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
WATSON, Thomas	Bath	D	7/8	*	*	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
WHEELER, Walter	Kittery	D	7/8	*	*	*	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+
WOODBURY, Richard	Yarmouth	I	7/8	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	a	+
WOODDON', Monard														
WOTTON, Raymond	Littleton	D	5/8	*	*	*	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+

### MAINE LEAGUE OF CONSERVATION VOTERS – 2003 SENATE SCORECARD

		Pro-Environ	mental Votes		2003 SESSION				
NAME	COUNTY	PARTY	2003	2001-2002	1999-2000	1997-1998	Limit State Land LD 348	<b>Takings</b> LD 886	Arsenic LD 1309
BENNETT, Richard	Oxford	R	2/3	71%	75%	30%	+	+	-
BLAIS, Kenneth	Kennebec	R	0/3	*	*	*	-	-	-
BRENNAN, Michael	Cumberland	D	3/3	100%	100%	83%	+	+	+
BROMLEY, Lynn	Cumberland	D	3/3	86%	*	*	+	+	+
BRYANT, Bruce	Oxford	D	3/3	82%	83%	75%	+	+	+
CARPENTER, David	York	R	1/3	43%	*	*	-	+	-
CATHCART, Mary	Penobscot	D	3/3	86%	88%	80%	+	+	+
DAGGETT, Beverly	Kennebec	D	3/3	86%	75%	90%	+	+	+
DAMON, Dennis	Hancock	D	2/3	*	*	*	+	-	+
DAVIS, Paul	Piscataquis	R	0/3	29%	25%	*	-	-	-
DOUGLASS, Neria	Androscoggin	D	3/3	100%	75%	*	+	+	+
EDMONDS, Betheda	Cumberland	D	3/3	100%	*	*	+	+	+
GAGNON, Kenneth	Kennebec	D	3/3	100%	83%	92%	+	+	+
GILMAN, Carolyn	Cumberland	R	0/3	*	*	*	-	-	-
HALL, Christopher	Lincoln	D	3/3	73%	*	*	+	+	+
HATCH, Pamela	Somerset	D	3/3	*	75%	92%	+	+	+
KNEELAND, Richard	Aroostook	R	1/3	71%	42%	0%	+	-	-
LAFOUNTAIN, Lloyd	York	D	3/3	100%	71%	90%	+	+	+
LEMONT, Kenneth	York	R	1/3	43%	33%	17%	a	+	-
MARTIN, John	Aroostook	D	3/3	83%	92%	*	+	+	+
MAYO, Arthur	Sagadahoc	R	2/3	73%	66%	8%	+	+	-
MITCHELL, Betty Lou	Penobscot	R	1/3	14%	13%	0%	-	+	-
NASS, Richard	York	R	0/3	45%	58%	25%	-	-	-
PENDLETON, Peggy	Cumberland	D	3/3	33%	88%	70%	+	+	+
ROTUNDO, Margaret	Androscoggin	D	3/3	100%	*	*	+	+	+
SAVAGE, Christine	Knox	R	1/3	29%	58%	33%	-	+	-
SAWYER, W. Tom	Penobscot	R	0/3	43%	*	*	-	-	-
SHOREY, Kevin	Washington	R	0/3	29%	17%	*	-	-	-
STANLEY, Stephen	Penobscot	D	3/3	27%	33%	33%	+	+	+
STRIMLING, Ethan	Cumberland	D	3/3	*	*	*	+	+	+
TREAT, Sharon	Kennebec	D	3/3	100%	100%	100%	+	+	+
TURNER, Karl	Cumberland	R	1/3	57%	*	*	-	+	-
WESTON, Carol	Waldo	R	1/3	18%	42%	*	-	+	-
WOODCOCK, Chandler	Franklin	R	0/3	43%	*	*	-	-	-
YOUNGBLOOD, Edward	Penobscot	R	0/3	43%	*	*		-	-

(See key below for explanation of symbols.)

Maine's Path of Legislation

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### **Idea Developed**

A legislator decides to sponsor a bill, sometimes at the suggestion of a constituent, interest group, public official or the Governor. The legislator may ask other legislators in either chamber to join as co-sponsors.



### **Bill Drafted**

At the legislator's direction, the Revisor's Office, Office of Policy and Legal Analysis, and Office of Fiscal and Program Review staff provides research and drafting assistance and prepare the bill in proper technical form.



### **Bill Introduction**

The legislator gives the bill to the Clerk of the House or Secretary of the Senate. The bill is numbered, a suggested committee recommendation is made and the bill is printed. The bill is placed on the respective body's calendar.



### **Committee Reference**

The bill is referred to one of the Joint Standing or Joint Select committees in the originating branch and then sent to the other body for concurrence.



### **Committee Action**

When scheduled by the chairs, the committee conducts a public hearing where it accepts testimony supporting and opposing the proposed legislation from any interested party. Notices of public hearings are printed in newspapers with statewide distribution.



### **General Order**

When the bill is reported to the floor it receives its first reading and any committee amendments are adopted at this time. The committee reports the bill to the originating body as is, with amendment, with a divided report or with a unanimous recommendation of Ought Not to Pass.



### Second Reading

The next legislative day the bill is given its second reading and floor amendments may be offered. When one chamber has passed the bill to be engrossed, it is sent to the other body for its consideration. The House has a consent calendar for unanimous Ought to Pass or Ought to Pass as amended bills which takes the place of First and Second readings.



### Second Chamber

The bill goes through a similar process. If the second chamber amends the bill, it is returned to the first chamber for a vote on the changes. It may then be sent to a conference committee to work out a compromise agreeable to both chambers. A bill receives final legislative approval when it passes both chambers in identical form.



### Governor

After final passage (enactment) the bill is sent to the Governor. The Governor has ten days in which to sign or veto the bill. If the Governor does not sign the bill and the Legislature is still in session, the bill after ten days becomes law as if the Governor signed it. If the Legislature has adjourned for the year the bill does not become law. This is called a "pocket veto." If the Legislature comes back into special session, the Governor on the 4th day must deliver a veto message to the chamber of origin or the bill becomes law.



### Law

A bill becomes law 90 days after the end of the legislative session in which it was passed. A bill can become law immediately if the Legislature, by a 2/3 vote of each chamber, declares that an emergency exists. An emergency law takes effect on the date the Governor signs it unless otherwise specified in its text. If a bill is vetoed, it will become law if the Legislature overrides the veto by a 2/3 vote of those members present and voting of both chambers.

### KEY TO SCORECARDS (found on pages 4 & 5 and above)

- Pro-environmental vote
- Anti-environmental vote
- Absent
- Was not legislator during session
- D Democrat
- Republican
- Independent Green Independent
- Rating: The rating is the number of pro-environmental votes cast by each legislator out of the bills tracked.

Absences: Unexcused absences are counted as anti-environmental votes. Excused absences and vacancies are not figured into a legislator's ratings.

# **NOTEWORTHY** —

A scorecard is an incomplete measure of a legislator's record. It can't measure when a vote is particularly difficult to cast, or when a legislator went the extra mile on an issue. That's why we've chosen to highlight certain actions – to look beyond the scorecard.

- We count an absence as an anti-environment vote, because one vote can make a difference in stopping a bad bill or passing a good one. Of course there can be legitimate reasons to miss a vote, but you may be interested to know if your representative is having trouble showing up.
- For the most part, the 2003 legislative session was a successful one for our natural resources. Leadership from **Senator John Martin** (D-Aroostook) and **Representative Ted Koffman** (D-Bar Harbor), chairs of the Committee on Natural Resources, was essential to the progress made, particularly on eliminating poisons and addressing climate change. **Senator W. Tom Sawyer** (R-Penobscot) was also helpful on the climate change and household hazardous waste bills.
- This year we finally saw passage of legislation to begin to address cut-and-run logging, also called liquidation harvesting. What made the difference? Leadership from Governor Baldacci, sponsorship by House Speaker Patrick Colwell (D-Gardiner), and the work of Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry chairs Sen. Bruce Bryant (D-Oxford) and Rep. Linda McKee (D-Wayne). First term representative Nancy Smith (D-Monmouth), herself a forester, also was very helpful.
- Rep. Raymond Pineau (D-Jay) stood firm in support of the bill to end the state's coyote snaring program in spite of tremendous pressure and opposition.
- Many Yarmouth residents are members of conservation groups, and now the town has representation reflective of that sensibility. **Rep. Richard Woodbury** (I) voted in favor of environmental protection on 7 of 8 bills, with one absence. Contrast that to his predecessor, who appeared four times on our Dishonor Roll.

- Rep. A. David Trahan (R-Waldoboro) and Rep. Randy Hotham (R-Dixfield) each cast only 2 pro-environment votes on this year's scorecard, but we're glad starting the hazardous waste collection program was one of them. The bill passed by only two votes. We're also glad for the support of Representatives Stanley Moody (R-Manchester) and Gerald Davis (R-Falmouth.)
- Two others whose support we appreciate are **Representative Peter Mills** (R-Cornville), who previously served in the State Senate, and **Christopher Rector** (R-Thomaston). They voted pro-environment on 6 of 8 bills, the highest records among the House Republican caucus. Their strong records clearly demonstrate that environmental protection is not a partisan issue.
- Five House members we don't always agree with supported the bill to reduce air pollutants. Supporting it was **Rep. Jeffrey Kaelin's** (R-Winterport) only pro-environment vote on the scorecard. **Representatives Deborah McNeil** (R-Rockland), **Thomas Murphy** (R-Kennebunk), and **Richard Rosen** (R-Bucksport) made it one of only two pro-environment votes they cast. The bill passed the Senate without a recorded vote, an indication that policymakers are ready to accept human responsibility for global climate change.
- How did the new legislators do? Of the 69 new members of the House, 26 voted consistently against the environment (one or fewer good votes) while 23 consistently voted in favor of the environment (7 or 8 good votes.) Of the 11 new members of the Senate, 5 voted pro-environment each time, while 3 voted against it every time.
- Compare that to the legislators who will be termed out of office in 2004 due to the term limits law. Of the 7 Senators barred from running for re-election, 5 voted consistently pro-environment in 2003. Of the 21 Representatives barred from run-

ning in 2004, 8 have strong environmental records and 9 have a record of voting against environmental protection.



### On the Horizon

hese are some of the issues the Legislature postponed action on until January 2004. The full list of new proposals will be public in October. The text of each bill is available on line at: http://janus.state.me.us/legis/LawMakerWeb/search.asp

### **Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry Committee**

 L.D. #1518: "An Act To Improve Harvest Standards for Lands Purchased and Harvested within an 8-year Period"

### **Business, Research and Economic Development Committee**

 L.D. #1257: "An Act To Increase Returnable Beverage Container Redemption Rates"

### **Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee**

- L.D. #173: "An Act To Provide for the Passage of Anadromous Fish Species into the Little River"
- L.D. #827: "An Act Regarding Wildlife Habitat Conservation"

### **Legal and Veterans Affairs Committee**

 L.D. #578: "An Act To Increase the Sale of Lottery Tickets To Benefit Conservation and Wildlife"

### **Marine Resources Committee**

- L.D. #276: "An Act to Allow the Sale of Lobster and Crab Fishing Licenses"
- L.D. #939: "An Act To Repeal the Fee on Aquacultural Salmon Production"
- L.D. #1279: "Resolve, Related to Aquaculture Leases in Blue Hill Bay"

### **Natural Resources Committee**

- L.D. #1158: "An Act To Protect Maine's Coastal Water"
- L.D. #1253: "An Act to Ensure Playground Safety"
- L.D. #1617: "An Act To Improve Subdivision Standards"

### **State and Local Government Committee**

- L.D. #91: "Resolve, to Create the Department of Fisheries and Wildlife"
- L.D. #942: "An Act To Create Guidelines To Promote Good Science in Rulemaking"

### **Taxation Committee**

- L.D. #938: "RESOLUTION, Proposing an Amendment to the Constitution of Maine To Change the Assessment of Lands Used for Long-term Ownership"
- L.D. #951: "An Act To Establish the Maine Land Bank and Community Preservation Program"
- L.D. #1492: "An Act To Promote the Production and Use of Fuels Derived from Agricultural and Forest Products"

### **Transportation Committee**

• L.D. #155: "An Act to Allow a Business to Obtain a Municipal Permit for One Off-premises Business Advertising Sign"

### **Utilities and Energy**

- L.D. #1157: "An Act To Promote Clean and Efficient Energy"
- L.D. #1261: "An Act To Support Clean and Efficient Energy for the Future of Maine's Economy and Environment"

# **Facts and Figures**

### **How the Leadership Voted**

### Senate

- Senate President Beverly Daggett 3/3
- Senate Majority Leader Sharon Treat 3/3
- Assistant Majority Leader Kenneth Gagnon - 3/3
- Senate Minority Leader Paul Davis 0/3
- Assistant Minority Leader Chandler Woodcock 0/3

### House

- Speaker of the House Patrick Colwell 7/8
- House Majority Leader John Richardson 7/8
- Assistant Majority Leader Robert Duplessie 7/8
- House Minority Leader Joseph Bruno 2/8
- Assistant Minority Leader David Bowles 0/8

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