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2012 Environmental Scorecard for Members of the 125th Maine Legislature

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The Next Page on Maine's Environment

The 125th Legislature will be remembered as one of the toughest periods for Maine's environment. It will be remembered for Governor Paul LePage's sweeping attacks on the laws that protect our health, natural heritage and way of life. It will be remembered for remarkable bipartisan leadership on a "takings" bill that threatened to freeze passage of future environmental laws and a last-minute bill that weakens mining regulations. Finally, it will be remembered as the time when Maine people came together like never before to defend our waters, woods and wildlife.

As we look back on the session, there are many stories to tell. Some are hopeful, some discouraging, and some are a little of both. A bright spot of the session was the bipartisan support for a \$5 million Land for Maine's Future (LMF) bond, but in contrast, the passage of an open-pit mining bill presents a troubling look towards the future.

For more than two decades, LMF has conserved more than 532,000 acres that secure public access for recreation, conserve our most important habitats,





preserve Maine's farming traditions and protect the natural infrastructure vital to both our sense of place and our economic future.

A logger and hunter who has spent much of his time in Maine's woods, former State Senator David Trahan of Waldoboro cares deeply about protecting wildlife habitat. He now heads the Sportsman's Alliance of Maine (SAM), and used his passion for deer yards and his experience as a former legislator to work with a diverse group of partners to garner broad support for LMF.

According to Beth Ahearn, MCV's Political Director, "If it weren't for David Trahan and the overwhelming bipartisan support he helped to build in the Legislature, we wouldn't have a Land for Maine's Future bond on November's ballot this year."

The story on mining was quite different. In the final weeks of the legislative session, Rep. John Martin of Eagle Lake introduced a bill intended to help J.D. Irving, Ltd. develop an open-pit copper mine on Bald Mountain in Aroostook County. This type of mining produces sulfuric acid which can leach arsenic, lead and mercury into the surrounding watershed.

Jeff Reardon of Trout Unlimited recalls, "The mining bill was dropped in at the last minute and was needlessly rushed through a process that did not allow for full public debate or robust scientific input. Water quality standards for open-pit mining operations have been weakened, and that could have a devastating effect on Maine's fish, wildlife and recreation economy."

We are grateful that the Environment and Natural Resources Committee vastly improved the mining bill from its original version, but the outcome still weakens groundwater standards statewide, not just on Bald Mountain. It also reduces the state's protection against abandoned mining sites – potentially leaving Maine taxpayers with clean-up costs.

Each of the bills featured in MCV's 26th annual Environmental Scorecard has a similar story. Aside from the success on LMF, this year's Legislature made little progress for Maine's clean waters, natural areas and wildlife, and the economies that depend on them.

As we look forward, we need to get back on track for Maine's people, environment and long-term prosperity. To do that, we must elect more candidates to the Legislature who believe that a clean environment and a healthy economy go hand in hand.

MCV will continue to be your partner as we turn the next page – defending Maine's environmental laws, holding our elected officials accountable for their actions, and electing more conservationists to public office. The online version of this year's Scorecard offers many opportunities for you to take action, as well as more indepth, insider stories from the session. You can find it at www.mainescorecard.org.

Enjoy the Scorecard, and as always, thanks for your support!





Maureen Drouin Executive Director



Leslie Harroun Board President

2012 Bill Descriptions



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Land for Maine's Future (LMF) Bond – LD 852

Sponsored by Sen. Roger Katz

An Act To Authorize a General Fund Bond Issue to Support Maine's Natural Resource-based Economy

The Legislature authorized a \$5 million bond for the Land for Maine's Future (LMF) program. The bond helps protect working farms, forests and waterfronts that are the backbone of Maine's economy. LMF has an outstanding record of success protecting Maine's natural legacy and a history of bipartisan support. Many legislators supported the bond this year in the hope that some LMF funds will be used to protect deer wintering habitat.

YES IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE

Final Outcome: Bond passed, will go to voters on November 6, 2012

- > House Roll Call #360 (May 16, 2012) Yes 106, No 34
- > Senate Roll Call #500 (May 16, 2012) Yes 29, No 6

Waterfowl Wetlands Rule (Inland Wading Bird and Waterfowl Habitat) – LD 1797

Sponsored by Rep. James Hamper (DEP bill)

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 305: Permit by Rule, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP)



The Legislature approved an Inland Waterfowl and Wading Bird Habitat Rule that was drafted by DEP and strengthened by the Board of Environmental Protection. This rule

maintains key protections for land and water that are essential to the health of wading birds and waterfowl. It



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provides an opportunity for a simplified permit process while protecting the most important parts of waterfowl wetlands.

YES IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE

Final Outcome: Bill passed and signed by the Governor

- House Roll Call #245 (March 12, 2012) Yes 89, No 50
- > No Senate Roll Call available

Takings – LD 1810 Sponsored by Rep. Joan Nass

An Act To Implement Recommendations of the Committee To Review Issues Dealing with Regulatory Takings

The Senate moved to "indefinitely postpone" LD 1810, a bill which would have required the state to pay off landowners if future laws passed by the Legislature reduced their property values by at least 50 percent. If the state could not afford to pay, the landowner would be allowed to ignore the law. The House initially approved the bill by one vote, but then followed the Senate's lead to "indefinitely postpone," thereby killing the bill. This legislation threatened to freeze the passage of any future environmental law or regulation because of the potential financial consequences to the state. This bill is being scored twice because of its significance to the future protection of Maine's environment.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE

Final Outcome: Bill died

- House Roll Call #323 (April 11, 2012) Yes 74, No 72
- > No applicable Senate Roll Call available

Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard – LD 1863

Sponsored by Sen. Michael Thibodeau (Governor's bill) An Act To Lower the Price of Electricity for Maine Consumers

The Governor introduced a bill that would have undercut Maine's existing Renewable Energy Portfolio Standard by removing the 100-megawatt cap on eligibility for hydropower. The bill would have required Maine ratepayers to subsidize massive Canadian hydropower dams at the expense of Maine-produced renewable energy like wind and solar. A majority of the Energy, Utilities and Technology Committee voted against the Governor's bill and for an amended bill that maintained the cap. This amendment prevailed in the House and was defeated in the Senate, and ultimately died in non-concurrence. Rep. Stacey Fitts was the lead on the amended bill.

YES IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE ON THE HOUSE FLOOR; NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE ON THE SENATE FLOOR.

Final Outcome: Bill died in non-concurrence (House and Senate could not agree)

- > House Roll Call #330 (April 13, 2012) Yes 75, No 66
- > Senate Roll Call #471 (April 12, 2012) Yes 19, No 16

North Woods – LD 1798 Sponsored by Rep. Peter Edgecomb An Act To Reform Land Use Planning in the Unorganized Territory



The study commission that was authorized by LD 1534 (see 2011 North Woods summary) culminated in a report which included several objectionable provisions. This report was the basis for LD 1798. One of the most problematic provisions would have allowed counties to 'opt out' of oversight by the Land Use Regulation Commission

(LURC). This would have caused a patchwork of regulations and in effect, dismantled LURC one county at a time. Another provision allowed counties to nominate their own commissioners to LURC and bypass the normal appointment process. Several moderate Republicans forged a compromise, eliminating the county "opt-out" provision but keeping the commissioner appointment provision. It sailed through both chambers without a floor fight or a roll call.

NO ROLL CALLS AVAILABLE Final Outcome: Bill passed "under the hammer" (unanimously)

Aggrieved Persons – LD 1647

Sponsored by Sen. Thomas Saviello

An Act To Define "Person Aggrieved" in Proceedings before the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) and the Maine Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC)

By passing LD 1647, the Legislature limited citizens' voices in agency decisions. The bill changed the definition of who can appeal agency actions to the citizen review boards of the DEP and LURC. To appeal a decision, one now must prove a "particularized interest" in the subject of the appeal, which makes it more difficult for the average person to participate in the appeal process.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE

Final Outcome: Bill passed and signed by the Governor

- House Roll Call #272 (March 27, 2012) Yes 71, No 70
- Senate Roll Call #394 (March 23, 2012) Yes 21, No 13

Open-Pit Mining – LD 1853

Sponsored by Rep. John Martin

An Act To Improve Environmental Oversight and Streamline Permitting for Mining in Maine



The Legislature passed a bill weakening Maine's open-pit mining regulations threatening water quality. The bill

was introduced during the final weeks of the session, and the condensed process did not allow for full public input or robust scientific scrutiny. The Environment and Natural Resources Committee improved the original bill, but the result remains that Maine is now more vulnerable to the dangers of open-pit mining. The law will now enter a rulemaking process. Once the rules are finalized in 2014, they will return to the Legislature for approval.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE Final Outcome: Bill passed and signed by the Governor

- ► House Roll Call #334 (April 13, 2012) Yes 78, No 65
- > Senate Roll Call #488 (April 13, 2012) Yes 22, No 13

2011 Bill Descriptions



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BPA – LD 412

Sponsored by Rep. James Hamper

Resolve, Regarding Legislative Review of Portions of Chapter 882: Designation of Bisphenol A as a Priority Chemical and Regulation of Bisphenol A in Children's Products, a Major Substantive Rule of the Department of Environmental Protection



The Legislature overwhelmingly voted to ban the toxic chemical bisphenol A (BPA) in reusable food and beverage containers including baby bottles and sippy cups. BPA is linked to a range of health risks, and safer

alternatives are already available in the marketplace.

YES IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE

Final Outcome: Bill passed without the Governor's signature

- > House Roll Call #17 (April 7, 2011) Yes 145, No 3
- > Senate Roll Call #33 (April 12, 2011) Yes 35, No 0

Vernal Pools – LD 159

Amendment sponsored by Sen. Ron Collins

An Act To Foster Economic Development by Improving Administration of the Laws Governing Site Location of Development and Storm Water Management



With strong bipartisan support, the Senate rejected an amendment from Sen. Ron Collins (R-York) that would have reduced the current, scientifically supported 250 foot vernal pool consultation zone down to 75 feet. Significant vernal pools are seasonal wetlands that provide critical habitat for a variety of



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wildlife, including wood frogs, spotted salamanders, and wood turtles, and serve as feeding areas for deer, bear, moose and birds. The existing 250 foot zone for significant vernal pools does not restrict building, but rather requires consultation and careful planning to receive a permit.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE (to an amendment that would reduce protections to 75 ft) Final Outcome: Bill passed and signed by the Governor without anti-environment amendment

- > No House Roll Call available
- > Senate Roll Call #201 (June 8, 2011) Yes 6, No 29

Pesticides – LD 228

Sponsored by Rep. Peter Edgecomb

An Act To Revise Notification Requirements for Pesticide Application

LD 228 repealed Maine's pesticide notification registry, a common sense and effective system requiring that



neighbors and landowners be notified in advance of aerial and air-blaster pesticide spraying near their homes. Over 1,800 people had signed up for the registry in the program's first year. Pesticides can cause serious health problems, including birth defects, cancer, asthma and

developmental disabilities. Pesticide spray can drift offtarget and contaminate organically grown produce.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE Final Outcome: Bill passed and signed by the Governor

- House Roll Call #99 (June 1, 2011) Yes 79, No 69
- > Senate Roll Call #110 (May 25, 2011) Yes 21, No 14



An Act To Provide Options to Municipalities Concerning the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code



The Legislature voted to weaken Maine's Uniform Building and Energy Code (MUBEC) by exempting all towns with a population of less than 4,000 (400 of Maine's 526 towns). MUBEC provides minimum quality, safety and energy-efficiency building standards. The exemption

means that Mainers living in small towns will not be protected from construction of lower quality buildings that waste more energy, result in increased air pollution and cost more to heat.

NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE

Final Outcome: Bill passed and signed by the Governor

- ▶ House Roll Call #173 (June 14, 2011) Yes 76, No 71
- > Senate Roll Call #213 (June 9, 2011) Yes 19, No 15

North Woods – LD 1534 Sponsored by Rep. Jeffrey Gifford

An Act To Reform the Land Use and Planning Authority in the Unorganized Territories

LD 1534 set up a study committee that seemed biased toward abolishing the Land Use Regulation Commission (LURC), the state agency charged with protecting Maine's vast North Woods. Policymakers had the option to support the committee's Minority Report – a balanced legislative study to identify ways to improve LURC. Instead, the majority of lawmakers voted for a study process that seemed to have a pre-determined mission of dismantling LURC and moving its planning and regulatory functions to counties that include portions of the unorganized territories of northern Maine.

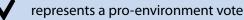
NO IS THE PRO-ENVIRONMENT VOTE

Final Outcome: Bill passed and signed by the Governor

- House Roll Call #156 (June 9, 2011) Yes 75, No 65
- Senate Roll Call #223 (June 10, 2011) Yes 22, No 12

How to use this Scorecard

On the following pages, you'll find the scores of each of the members of the State House and Senate. A legislator's lifetime score is a cumulative average of tracked votes for their entire time in the Legislature.



- represents an anti-environment vote
- is an excused absence (due to illness or family leave) and does not count toward a legislator's rating

is an unexcused absence; it is counted negatively since it has the same effect as an antienvironment vote

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Not sure who your legislators are? Look them up online at maineconservation.org

2012 House Scorecard

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148	Beavers (D - SOUTH BERWICK)	100%	100%	\checkmark	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓
76	Beck (D - WATERVILLE)	64%	77%	\checkmark	✓	AA	✓	\checkmark	X	✓	✓	A	✓
151	Beliveau (D - KITTERY)	100%	100%	\checkmark	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓
141	Bennett (R - KENNEBUNK)	18%	18%	\checkmark	X	XX	×	×	X	\checkmark	X	X	×
67	Berry (D - BOWDOINHAM)	100%	97 %	\checkmark	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓
70	Bickford (R - AUBURN)	9%	20%	A	X	XX	×	X	X	\checkmark	X	X	×
90	Black (R - WILTON)	27%	27%	\checkmark	✓	XX	×	×	X	✓	X	×	X
56	Blodgett (D - AUGUSTA)	100%	100%	\checkmark	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	✓	\checkmark	~
142	Boland (D - SANFORD)	91%	90 %	A	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
69	Bolduc (D - AUBURN)	82%	82%	\checkmark	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	\checkmark	X	\checkmark	✓	✓	×
93	Briggs (D - MEXICO)	100%	100%	\checkmark	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
110	Bryant (D - WINDHAM)	82%	89%	\checkmark	1	11	\checkmark	\checkmark	X	\checkmark	✓	✓	A
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138	Burns* (R - ALFRED)	25%	25%	-	-		-	-	-	\checkmark	X	×	×
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72	Carey (D - LEWISTON)	64%	88%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	A	✓	X	✓	A	✓	A
137	Casavant (D - BIDDEFORD)	100%	97 %	✓	1	11	✓	✓	✓	✓	1	1	✓
101	Cebra (R - NAPLES)	9 %	34%	X	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×
21	Celli** (R - BREWER)	9%	20%	A	A	AA	A	A	A	✓	X	X	A
37	Chapman (D - BROOKSVILLE)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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104	Crafts (R - LISBON)	9%	10%	X	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×
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26	Davis (R - SANGERVILLE)	9 %	21%	X	X	XX	X	X	X	\checkmark	X	X	×
14	Dill (D - OLD TOWN)	64%	64%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	A	X	✓	X	X	✓
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50	Dow (R - WALDOBORO)	36%	52%	✓	✓	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	✓	X
126	Driscoll (D - WESTBROOK)	82%	89 %	✓	A	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	A	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓
13	Duchesne (D - HUDSON)	91%	96 %	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓
88	Dunphy (R - EMBDEN)	9%	9 %	X	X	XX	X	X	✓	×	X	X	×
123	Eberle (D - SOUTH PORTLAND)	91%	96 %	✓	A	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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58	Foster (R - AUGUSTA)	18%	18%	✓	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×	
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59	Hanley (D - GARDINER)	55%	70%	✓	✓	xx	✓	✓	X	✓	×	X	✓	
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89	Harvell (R - FARMINGTON)	18%	19 %	✓	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X	
117	Haskell (D - PORTLAND)	100%	80%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
94	Hayes (D - BUCKFIELD)	91%	84%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	
43	Herbig (D - BELFAST)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
118	Hinck (D - PORTLAND)	82%	9 4%	✓	A	11	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	
132	Hogan (D - OLD ORCHARD BEACH)	73%	84%	A	✓	11	✓	X	X	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	
131	Hunt (D - BUXTON)	100%	100%	✓	✓	11	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	
107	Innes (D - YARMOUTH)	91%	95%	✓	✓	11	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	
20	Johnson (R - EDDINGTON)	9 %	9 %	X	X	XX	X	X	A	✓	X	X	X	
27	Johnson (R - GREENVILLE)	18%	26%	✓	X	××	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×	
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83	Keschl (R - BELGRADE)	45%	45%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×	
129	Knapp (R - GORHAM)	45%	43%	√	✓	××	✓	X	X	✓	X	✓	×	
81	Knight (R - LIVERMORE FALLS)	27%	42%	1	✓	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×	
48	Kruger (D - THOMASTON)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
36	Kumiega (D - DEER ISLE)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	
71	Lajoie (D - LEWISTON)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
139	Libby (R - WATERBORO)	9 %	9 %	A	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×	
9	Long (R - SHERMAN)	9 %	9 %	X	X	××	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×	
77	Longstaff (D - WATERVILLE)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	
115	Lovejoy (D - PORTLAND)	91%	95%	✓	A	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	
38	Luchini (D - ELLSWORTH)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	
61	MacDonald (D - BOOTHBAY)	100%	97 %	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	
31	Maker (R - CALAIS)	27%	27%	✓	X	XX	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	X	
34	Malaby (R - HANCOCK)	9 %	9 %	X	X	XX	X	X	A	✓	X	X	×	
57	Maloney (D - AUGUSTA)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	
1	Martin (D - EAGLE LAKE)	82%	74%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	X	✓	X	✓	\checkmark	
47	Mazurek (D - ROCKLAND)	100%	89 %	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	
85	McCabe (D - SKOWHEGAN)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	
103	McClellan (R - RAYMOND)	9 %	9 %	X	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×	
30	McFadden (R - DENNYSVILLE)	18%	28%	✓	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X	
51	McKane (R - NEWCASTLE)	27%	47%	X	✓	××	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	X	
121	Monaghan-Derrig* (D - CAPE ELIZABETH)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	
54	Morissette (R - WINSLOW)	9 %	9 %	X	X	××	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X	
122	Morrison (D - SOUTH PORTLAND)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
149	Moulton (R - YORK)	73%	57%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	X	✓	X	X	\checkmark	

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144	Nass (R - ACTON)	27%	42%	✓	×	XX	X	X	✓	 ✓ 	×	×	X
112	Nelson (D - FALMOUTH)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
80	Newendyke (R - LITCHFIELD)	9 %	9 %	X	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X
78	Nutting (R - OAKLAND)	27%	32%	✓	✓	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×
44	O'Brien (D - LINCOLNVILLE)	82%	91 %	A	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
145	O'Connor (R - BERWICK)	0%	0%	X	X	XX	X	X	X	X	X	X	×
64	Olsen (R - PHIPPSBURG)	64%	64%	✓	✓	XX	×	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X
18	Parker (R - VEAZIE)	9 %	9 %	X	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×
140	Parry (R - ARUNDEL)	18%	18%	✓	×	XX	×	×	×	✓	×	×	×
125	Peoples (D - WESTBROOK)	100%	90%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark
92	Peterson (D - RUMFORD)	82%	91 %	✓	A	$\checkmark\checkmark$	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
84	Picchiotti (R - FAIRFIELD)	18%	18%	✓	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×
133	Pilon (D - SACO)	64%	80%	✓	A	хx	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
111	Plummer (R - WINDHAM)	27%	45%	✓	✓	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×
60	Prescott (R - TOPSHAM)	9 %	40%	X	✓	xx	X	X	X	A	×	×	X
63	Priest (D - BRUNSWICK)	100%	95%	✓	✓	11	1	1	1	1	✓	✓	✓
97	Rankin (D - HIRAM)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
23	Richardson (R - CARMEL)	64%	59 %	✓	✓	11	✓	X	✓	1	X	X	×
49	Richardson (R - WARREN)	27%	50%	✓	✓	xx	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X
42	Rioux (R - WINTERPORT)	9 %	9 %	X	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×
136	Rochelo (D - BIDDEFORD)	100%	100%	✓	✓	11	✓	✓	✓	1	✓	✓	✓
40	Rosen (R - BUCKSPORT)	18%	45%	✓	X	XX	X	X	X	1	X	X	×
74	Rotundo (D - LEWISTON)	100%	100%	✓	✓	11	1	1	1	1	✓	✓	✓
120	Russell (D - PORTLAND)	100%	100%	1	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	1	1	1	1	✓	✓	✓
130	Sanborn (D - GORHAM)	100%	100%	✓	✓	V	✓	✓	✓	1	✓	✓	✓
52	Sanderson (R - CHELSEA)	27%	27%	X	X	XX	X	X	✓	1	✓	X	×

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99	Sarty (R - DENMARK)	18%	43%	\checkmark	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X
102	Shaw (D - STANDISH)	91%	85%	\checkmark	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	×	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓
128	Sirocki (r - scarborough)	0%	0%	X	×	XX	X	×	×	×	×	×	X
17	Stevens (D - BANGOR)	100%	95%	\checkmark	\checkmark	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓
108	Strang Burgess (R - CUMBERLAND)	82%	67%	\checkmark	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	×	✓	X
114	Stuckey (D - PORTLAND)	9 1%	90%	\checkmark	A	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
2	Theriault (D - MADAWASKA)	82%	87%	\checkmark	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	×	✓	×	\checkmark	✓
33	Tilton (R - HARRINGTON)	27%	34%	\checkmark	X	XX	✓	X	X	✓	X	X	×
96	Timberlake (R - TURNER)	9%	9 %	X	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X
79	Treat (D - HALLOWELL)	91%	98%	\checkmark	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	Turner (R - BURLINGTON)	18%	18%	×	×	xx	X	×	✓	✓	×	×	×
143	Tuttle (D - SANFORD)	82%	71%	\checkmark	1	11	✓	1	X	1	X	✓	~
134	Valentino (D - SACO)	91%	91 %	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
127	Volk (R - SCARBOROUGH)	27%	27%	\checkmark	✓	XX	X	1	X	Α	X	X	×
73	Wagner (D - LEWISTON)	100%	100%	✓	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
24	Wallace* (R - DEXTER)	0%	0%	X	X	XX	X	X	X	-	-	-	-
98	Waterhouse (R - BRIDGTON)	9 %	12%	X	X	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X
150	Weaver (R - YORK)	36%	49 %	\checkmark	✓	XX	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	×
106	Webster (D - FREEPORT)	91%	9 1%	A	✓	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓
46	Welsh (D - ROCKPORT)	91%	95%	\checkmark	A	$\checkmark\checkmark$	✓	1	1	✓	1	✓	~
7	Willette (R - MAPLETON)	18%	18%	×	×	хx	✓	×	×	✓	×	×	×
5	Willette (R - PRESQUE ISLE)	9 %	40%	X	A	XX	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×
95	Winsor (R - NORWAY)	18%	11%	✓	X	xx	X	X	X	1	X	X	×
24	Wintle* (R - GARLAND)	25%	25%	-	-		-	-	-	✓	A	A	A
75	Wood (R - SABATTUS)	18%	18%	✓	X	xx	X	X	X	✓	X	X	×

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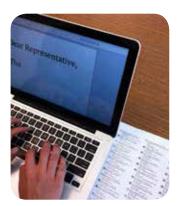
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DISTRICT	Alfond (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	100%	~	✓	✓	~	√	✓	✓	✓	✓	Í
6	Bartlett (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	94 %	✓	. ✓	. ✓	✓	✓	. ✓		✓	✓	
9	Brannigan (D - CUMBERLAND)	89 %	82%	✓	✓	1	X	1	✓	✓	✓	V	
2	Collins (R - YORK)	22%	20%	✓	X	X	×	✓	X	×	X	×	
3	Courtney (R - YORK)	22%	36%	✓	X	X	X	\checkmark	X	X	X	X	
16	Craven (D - ANDROSCROGGIN)	100%	92%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
12	Diamond (D - CUMBERLAND)	89 %	87%	✓	✓	X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
7	Dill (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	80%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	
32	Farnham (R - PENOBSCOT)	33%	33%	✓	X	X	X	\checkmark	\checkmark	X	X	X	
10	Gerzofsky (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	88%	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	✓	\checkmark	
19	Goodall (D - SAGADAHOC)	100%	100%	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	Ε	Ε	
13	Hastings (R - OXFORD)	22%	45%	X	X	X	X	✓	\checkmark	X	X	×	
1	Hill (D - YORK)	100%	97%	✓	\checkmark	✓	<	✓	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	
5	Hobbins (D - YORK)	100%	88%	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	\checkmark	
35	Jackson (D - AROOSTOOK)	44%	64%	✓	✓	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	X	
20	Johnson* (D - LINCOLN)	100%	100%	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	-	-	-	-	-	
24	Katz (R - KENNEBEC)	33%	33%	✓	X	X	X	✓	✓	X	X	X	
28	Langley (R - HANCOCK)	33%	32%	✓	X	X	×	✓	✓	×	X	×	
25	Martin (R - KENNEBEC)	44%	44%	✓	X	X	×	✓	✓	×	✓	×	
17	Mason (R - ANDROSCOGGIN)	11%	11%	X	X	X	×	✓	×	×	X	×	
21	McCormick (R - KENNEBEC)	56%	55%	✓	X	X	X	✓	\checkmark	X	✓	✓	
14	Patrick (D - OXFORD)	67%	75%	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	X	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	X	×	
33	Plowman (R - PENOBSCOT)	11%	31%	X	X	X	X	✓	X	X	X	X	

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DISTRICT	Raye (R - WASHINGTON)	33%	54%	852	1863	1647	1853	412	159	228	1416	1534	
22	Rector (R - KNOX)	44%	65%	▼	X	X	×	↓	▼ √	X	√	X	
31	Rosen (R - HANCOCK)	33%	41%	✓	X	×	×	✓	. ✓	×	×	×	
18	Saviello (R - FRANKLIN)	33%	57%	✓	X	X	X	\checkmark	✓	X	X	X	
30	Schneider (D - PENOBSCOT)	100%	87%	✓	\checkmark	Ε	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	
34	Sherman (R - AROOSTOOK)	11%	24%	X	X	X	X	\checkmark	X	X	X	X	
15	Snowe-Mello (R - ANDROSCOGGIN)	33%	29 %	✓	X	X	X	\checkmark	\checkmark	X	X	X	
4	Sullivan (D - YORK)	89%	88%	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	X	
23	Thibodeau (R - WALDO)	22%	34%	X	X	X	X	\checkmark	\checkmark	X	X	X	
27	Thomas (R - SOMERSET)	11%	18%	X	X	X	X	\checkmark	X	X	X	X	
20	Trahan* (R - LINCOLN)	40%	39 %	-	-	-	-	\checkmark	\checkmark	X	X	X	
26	Whittemore (R - SOMERSET)	33%	33%	✓	X	X	X	\checkmark	\checkmark	X	X	X	
11	Woodbury (U - CUMBERLAND)	100%	87%	✓	\checkmark	✓	✓	\checkmark	\checkmark	✓	✓	\checkmark	

Now That You Know the Score...Take Action!

Contact your legislators. It is important that elected officials continue to hear from you – the voters. Please thank your legislators if they protected Maine's air, water and wildlife. If they voted to weaken our environmental safeguards, contact them and express your disappointment. Find your elected officials in our directory on page 18 or online at mainescorecard.org. You can also download our Scorecard app for the iPhone.





Write a letter to your local newspaper. Let others know how your legislators voted on Maine's environment.



Vote for pro-environment candidates. Elections matter. The people we elect to public office have a huge impact on Maine's environment. They can weaken years of protections or they can advance our environmental values. The actions we take as Maine citizens decide our environmental future.

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2011-2012 Honor Roll

(No more than one anti-environment vote or absence)

House Honor Roll

Beavers, Roberta B. (South Berwick)	100%	Longstaff, Thomas R. W. (Waterville)	100%
Beliveau, Devin M. <i>(Kittery)</i>	100%	Lovejoy, Stephen D. (Portland)	91%
Berry, Seth A. (Bowdoinham)	100%	Luchini, Louis J. (Ellsworth)	100%
Blodgett, Anna D. (<i>Augusta</i>)	100%	MacDonald, W. Bruce (Boothbay)	100%
Boland, Andrea M. (Sanford)	91%	Maloney, Maeghan <i>(Augusta)</i>	100%
Briggs, Sheryl J. <i>(Mexico)</i>	100%	Mazurek, Edward J. (Rockland)	100%
Cain, Emily Ann <i>(Orono)</i>	91%	McCabe, Jeff M. (Skowhegan)	100%
Casavant, Alan M. (Biddeford)	100%	Monaghan-Derrig, Kim J. (Cape Elizabeth)	100%
Chapman, Ralph (<i>Brooksville</i>)	100%	Morrison, Terry K. (South Portland)	100%
Chipman, Benjamin M. (Portland)	100%	Nelson, Mary Pennell (Falmouth)	100%
Clarke, Michael H. (Bath)	91%	Peoples, Ann E. (Westbrook)	100%
Duchesne, Robert S. (Hudson)	91%	Priest, Charles R. (Brunswick)	100%
Eberle, Jane E. (South Portland)	91%	Rankin, Helen <i>(Hiram)</i>	100%
Flemings, Elspeth M. (Bar Harbor)	100%	Rochelo, Megan M. (Biddeford)	100%
Gilbert, Paul E. (<i>Jay</i>)	100%	Rotundo, Margaret R. (Lewiston)	100%
Goode, Adam A. <i>(Bangor)</i>	91%	Russell, Diane (Portland)	100%
Graham, Anne P. (North Yarmouth)	91%	Sanborn, Linda F. <i>(Gorham)</i>	100%
Harlow, Denise Patricia (Portland)	100%	Shaw, Michael A. Standish	91%
Haskell, Anne M. (Portland)	100%	Stevens, Sara R. (Bangor)	100%
Hayes, Teresea <i>(Buckfield)</i>	91%	Stuckey, Peter C. (Portland)	91%
Herbig, Erin D. <i>(Belfast)</i>	100%	Treat, Sharon Anglin (Hallowell)	91%
Hunt, Robert B. <i>(Buxton)</i>	100%	Valentino, Linda M. (Saco)	91%
Innes, Melissa Walsh (Yarmouth)	91%	Wagner, Richard V. (Lewiston)	100%
Kruger, Chuck (Thomaston)	100%	Webster, David C. (Freeport)	91%
Kumiega, Walter A. III <i>(Deer Isle)</i>	100%	Welsh, Joan W. (Rockport)	91%
Lajoie, Michel A. (Lewiston)	100%		

Senate Honor Roll

Alfond, Justin L. (Cumberland)	100%	Goodall, Seth A. <i>(Sagadahoc)</i>	100%
Bartlett, Philip L. II (Cumberland)	100%	Hill, Esq., Dawn (York)	100%
Brannigan, Joseph C. (Cumberland)	89%	Hobbins, Barry J. (York)	100%
Craven, Margret M. (Androscoggin)	100%	Johnson, Christopher K. <i>(Lincoln)</i>	100%
Diamond, Bill (Cumberland)	89%	Schneider, Elizabeth M. (Penobscot)	100%
Dill, Cynthia A. (Cumberland)	100%	Sullivan, Nancy B. (York)	89%
Gerzofsky, Stanley J. (Cumberland)	100%	Woodbury, Richard G. (Cumberland)	100%

2011-2012 Dishonor Roll

(No more than one pro-environment vote)

House Dishonor Roll

Ayotte, Bernard L. A. (Caswell)	9%
Bickford, Bruce A. (Auburn)	9%
Cebra, Richard M. (Naples)	9%
Clark, Tyler (Easton)	9%
Crafts, Dale J. (Lisbon)	9%
Cray, Dean A. (Palmyra)	9%
Damon, Douglas K. <i>(Bangor)</i>	9%
Davis, Sr., Paul T. (Sangerville)	9%
Dunphy, Larry C. <i>(Embden)</i>	9%
Fitzpatrick, Joyce A. (Houlton)	9%
Gifford, Jeffery Allen (Lincoln)	9%
Guerin, Stacey K. (Glenburn)	9%
Johnson, David D. (Eddington)	9%
Libby, Aaron F. <i>(Waterboro)</i>	9%

Long, Ricky D. <i>(Sherman)</i>	9%
Malaby, Richard S. (Hancock)	9%
McClellan, Michael D. (Raymond)	9%
Morissette, Susan (Winslow)	9%
Newendyke, Melvin (Litchfield)	9%
O'Connor, Beth A. (Berwick)	0%
Parker, James W. (<i>Veazie)</i>	9%
Prescott, Kerri L. (Topsham)	9%
Rioux, Peter B. (Winterport)	9%
Sirocki, Heather W. (Scarborough)	0%
Timberlake, Jeffrey L. (Turner)	9%
Wallace, Raymond A. (Dexter)	0%
Waterhouse, G. Paul (Bridgton)	9%
Willette, Michael J. (Presque Isle)	9%

Senate Dishonor Roll

Mason, Garrett Paul (Androscoggin)	11%	Sherman, Roger L. <i>(Aroostook)</i>	11%
Plowman, Debra D. (Penobscot)	11%	Thomas, Douglas A. (Somerset)	11%

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Beyond the Roll Calls - Noteworthy Actions

Takings (LD 1810):



On the Judiciary Committee, Reps. Brad Moulton, Charlie Priest, and Mike Beaulieu, and Senators Dick Woodbury and Cynthia Dill all demonstrated leadership, providing critical support for a substitute to the

original bill. Known as the Moulton-Priest amendment and later the Majority Report, the substitute offered a balanced approach to addressing landowner concerns regarding property devaluation. **Sen. Tom Saviello** and **Rep. Bob Duchesne** also provided valuable input.

Reps. Bob Duchesne, Meaghan Maloney, Brad Moulton, Megan Rochelo, Charlie Priest, Kim Monaghan-Derrig, Ed Mazurek, and Chuck Kruger delivered floor speeches in opposition to the Minority Report which threatened to freeze the passage of any future environmental law or regulation.

Despite significant pressure from their party caucus to vote for the Minority Report, five House Republicans – **Reps. Meredith Strang Burgess, Dave Richardson, Brad Moulton, Mike Beaulieu,** and **Dennis Keschl** – voted against it in roll call #323 (See Legislative Scores p. 6-11).



In the Senate, Republicans Tom Saviello, Roger Katz, Chris Rector and Earle McCormick remained steadfast in their opposition to the takings bill

Minority Report in the face of intense lobbying pressure. Sens. Phil Bartlett, Seth Goodall, Cynthia Dill, and Elizabeth Schneider argued unsuccessfully on the Senate floor for the Senate President to allow a floor vote on the bill.

DISAPPOINTMENTS: **Rep. Andre Cushing** strongly advocated for takings legislation, along with **Rep. Les Fossell** and **Sens. Mike Thibodeau** and **David Hastings**.

North Woods (LD 1798):

Rep. Russell Black

demonstrated leadership within the Agriculture, Conservation and Forestry (ACF) Committee as the only Republican objecting to several provisions from the study report that would weaken LURC's ability to conserve Maine's North Woods. Democratic



Reps. Jeff McCabe and **Jim Dill**, and **Sen. Elizabeth Schneider** also opposed weakening LURC in Committee and tried, unsuccessfully, to offer alternatives.

Reps. Dennis Keschl, Brad Moulton, Kim Olsen and Tom Winsor supported Rep. Black with testimony at the public hearing, and Republican Reps. Meredith Strang Burgess, David Richardson, Ryan Harmon, and Les Fossel also helped craft a better outcome.

Additional leadership came from **Rep. Bob Duchesne**, with instrumental support from **House Minority Leader Emily Cain** and **Assistant House Minority Leader Terry Hayes**. **Rep. John Martin**, who helped create LURC, testified against weakening it.

Energy (LD 1863 & 1864):

Sen. Phil Bartlett expressed clear and consistent support for clean energy on the Energy and Utilities Committee where he helped develop a compromise on LD 1864 to avoid misusing Efficiency Maine funds. During the 2012 session, he spoke eloquently on the Senate floor



against weakening Maine's renewable energy laws to benefit Canadian hydropower through LD 1863. During the past eight years, Sen. Bartlett has been a champion for Maine's clean energy policies.

Rep. Stacey Fitts helped steer a bipartisan majority of the Energy and Utilities Committee toward fair compromises on both of Governor LePage's retrograde



energy bills. Outside of the committee, he worked

to persuade his Republican colleagues not to undermine Maine's renewable energy laws. He was a strong voice against LD 1863, though he inadvertently

voted against his compromise on the House floor.

Rep. Jon Hinck worked persistently on all energy legislation and helped to defeat the Governor's rollback bills by educating his colleagues about complex energy issues. **Sen. Chris Rector** voted to support the bipartisan compromise that preserved Maine's renewable energy laws, despite pressure from Governor LePage. **Rep. Mark Dion** took an active, engaged role in committee, particularly on LD 1864, opposing rollbacks. **Rep. Larry Dunphy** worked diligently in committee to ensure that successful efforts by Efficiency Maine would not be undermined by the compromise bill.

DISAPPOINTMENTS: **Sen. Mike Thibodeau** led the effort to weaken Maine's renewable energy policies. Other legislators who voted with Sen. Thibodeau on the committee included **Reps. Jim Hamper, Dean Cray, Larry Dunphy** and **Aaron Libby**.

Open-Pit Mining (LD 1853):

Sen. Seth Goodall worked diligently to improve the bill but ultimately could not support it because of the potential for increased water pollution. **Rep. Denise Harlow** was also a strong voice in opposition to the bill.

Rep. Ralph Chapman gave an impassioned speech on the floor opposing the mining bill, citing an abandoned toxic open-pit copper mine in his district. Although they supported the bill in the end, **Rep. Bob Duchesne** and **Sen. Tom Saviello** worked to improve it substantially in committee. **Sen. Chris Johnson** was the only senator to speak in opposition to the bill on the Senate floor.

DISAPPOINTMENT: **Rep. John Martin** introduced this bill very late in the session, condensing the amount of time for analysis and review.

Aggrieved Persons (LD 1647):

In the Judiciary Committee, **Rep. Brad Moulton** and **Sen. Dick Woodbury** voted against the bill, joining the Democrats to produce a 7 – 6 Majority Report. **Reps. Charlie Priest** and **Meaghan Maloney** argued against the bill on the floor of the House where it passed by just one vote. **Rep. Meredith Strang Burgess** joined Rep. Moulton in voting against the bill on the floor. **Sens. Cynthia Dill, Seth Goodall**, and **Dick Woodbury** argued against the bill on the floor of the Senate.

Other Noteworthy Acts:

Rep. Brad Moulton worked hard in opposition to the dismantlement of the State Planning Office, and led the fight to preserve a land use planning team at the state level to assist towns.

Rep. Ken Fredette proposed constructive language to slow down the merger of the Department of Conservation with the Department of Agriculture so there could first be a coherent plan that the Legislature could approve in 2013.

Sen. Seth Goodall was a thoughtful voice on a broad range of issues before the ENR Committee. His questions routinely led to robust discussion and improvements of many bills.

Rep. Bob Duchesne played an invaluable role on the ENR Committee. His knowledge and understanding on a wide array of issues – chemical policy, solid waste, wetland and wildlife protection, and everything in between – was critical in helping craft strong environmental policy and defending existing law.

Sens. Dawn Hill and Roger Katz were important advocates for the Land for Maine's Future bond as were Reps. Pat Flood and Ken Fredette.

Laudable Achievements:



In 2012, **Rep. Meredith Strang Burgess** cast a proenvironment vote on every issue we scored, significantly improving her overall score. Also increasing their scores, **Reps. Brad Moulton** and **Dave Richardson** voted proenvironment on all issues except one in 2012.

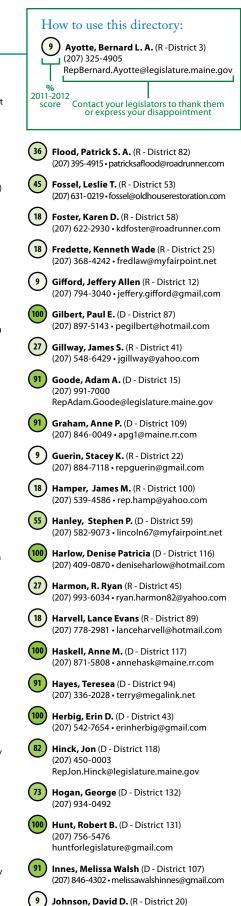
MCV commends the courage and conviction of these legislators, and thanks them for making the environment a political priority.

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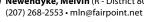
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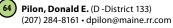
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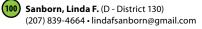
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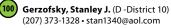
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