



Environment Texas Legislative Scorecard 2007 Session

Environment Texas, a statewide, citizen-based environmental advocacy organization, monitors the voting records of Texas' state legislators. Do your legislators support environmental protection? Their votes on key environmental issues are shown below.

SENATE VOTES

- 1. Subsidize Dangerous Nuclear Power Plants**, Pro-Environment Vote: No. HB 1386 puts the burden and cost of decommissioning nuclear power plants on taxpayers. The bill was signed into law.
- 2. Study Global Warming Solutions**, Pro-Environment Vote: Yes. SB 1687 would have required the state to study cost-effective ways to reduce global warming pollution. The bill passed the Senate but died in the House.
- 3. Air Pollution Watch List**, Pro-Environment Vote: Yes. SB 1924 would have required regulators to target efforts to combat air pollution in the worst affected areas. The bill passed the Senate but died in the House.
- 4. Weaken Air Pollution Enforcement**, Pro-Environment Vote: No. SB 1317 would have limited the rights of a municipality to regulate air pollution outside its boundaries. The bill passed the Senate but died in the House.
- 5. Limit Air Pollution from Power Plants**, Pro-Environment Vote: Yes. Amendment 5 to HB 3732 would have required regulators to consider air quality impacts in deciding whether to approve new coal-fired power plants. The amendment was adopted, but later stripped off the bill in a conference committee.
- 6. Subsidize Coal Power Plants**, Pro-Environment Vote: No. HB 3732 creates new subsidies for coal burning power plants. The bill was signed into law.
- 7. Support for Renewable Energy**, Pro-Environment Vote: Yes. HB 1090 creates incentives for clean, biomass energy and removed a barrier that threatened to derail expansion of renewable energy in Texas. The bill was signed into law.

SENATE SCORES

Senator	Dist.	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	%
Kip Averitt (R)	22	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	57
Kenneth Brimer (R)	10	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	57
John Carona (R)	16	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	57
Robert Deuell (R)	2	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	57
Robert Duncan (R)	28	-	+	+	-	+	A	+	57
Rodney Ellis (D)	13	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	86
Kevin Eltife (R)	1	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	57
Craig Estes (R)	30	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	57
Troy Fraser (R)	24	-	+	+	-	A	+	-	43
Mario Gallegos (D)	6	E	+	+	+	+	E	E	100
Chris Harris (R)	9	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	29
Glenn Hegar (R)	18	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	57
Juan Hinojosa (D)	20	-	+	+	+	A	+	+	71
Mike Jackson (R)	11	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	43
Kyle Janek (R)	17	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	57
Eddie Lucio Jr. (D)	27	-	+	+	P	+	+	+	71
Jane Nelson (R)	12	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	43
Robert Nichols (R)	3	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	57
Steve Ogden (R)	5	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	43
Dan Patrick (R)	7	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	43
Kel Seliger (R)	31	-	+	+	-	+	-	+	57
Florence Shapiro (R)	8	-	+	-	-	A	-	+	29
Eliot Shapleigh (D)	29	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	86
Carlos Uresti (D)	19	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	86
Leticia Van de Putte (D)	26	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	86
Kirk Watson (D)	14	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	86
Jeff Wentworth (R)	25	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	43
Royce West (D)	23	-	+	+	+	+	A	+	71
John Whitmire (D)	15	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	86
Tommy Williams (R)	4	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	43
Judith Zaffirini (D)	21	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	86

MORE INFORMATION

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HOUSE VOTES

- 1. Block Study of Global Warming**, Pro-Environment Vote: No. Amendment 2 to SB 12 required the state to study cost effective ways to reduce global warming pollution. The amendment was tabled.
- 2. Subsidize Dangerous Nuclear Power Plants**, Pro-Environment Vote: No. HB 1386 puts the burden and cost of decommissioning nuclear power plants on taxpayers. The bill was signed into law.
- 3. Table Limits on Air Pollution from Power Plants**, Pro-Environment Vote: No. Amendment 2 to HB 3732 would have required new coal burning power plants to meet tougher emissions standards in order to qualify for the subsidies provided for in the bill. The amendment was tabled.
- 4. Subsidize Coal Power Plants**, Pro-Environment Vote: No. HB 3732 creates new subsidies for coal burning power plants. The bill was signed into law.
- 5. Support for Renewable Energy**, Pro-Environment Vote: Yes. HB 1090 creates incentives for clean, biomass energy and removed a barrier that threatened to derail expansion of renewable energy in Texas. The bill was signed into law.
- 6. Water Conservation**, Pro-Environment Vote: Yes. Amendment 27 to SB 3 would have required certain water managers to meet basic conservation goals before new, environmentally harmful reservoirs could be built. The amendment passed, but was later stripped out of the bill in committee.

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES SCORES

Representative	Dist.	1	2	3	4	5	6	%	LIFE
Alma Allen (D)	131	+	-	+	E	+	+	80	83
Roberto Alonzo (D)	104	+	-	+	+	+	-	67	84
Rafael Anchia (D)	103	+	-	+	+	+	-	67	84
Charles Anderson (R)	56	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	42
Jimmie Don Aycock (R)	54	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	33
Kevin Bailey (D)	140	+	-	+	+	E	A	60	70
Leo Berman (R)	6	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	24
Dwayne Bohac (R)	138	-	-	+	-	+	-	33	31
Valinda Bolton (D)	47	+	+	+	-	+	+	83	83
Dennis Bonnen (R)	25	-	-	-	-	-	+	17	9
Dan Branch (R)	108	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	9
Betty Brown (R)	4	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	31
Fred Brown (R)	14	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	24
Lon Burnam (D)	90	+	+	+	+	+	+	100	100
William Callegari (R)	132	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	31
Joaquin Castro (D)	125	+	+	+	-	+	+	83	92
Norma Chavez (D)	76	E	+	+	E	+	+	100	86
Warren Chisum (R)	88	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	24
Wayne Christian (R)	9	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	33
Ellen Cohen (D)	134	+	+	+	-	+	+	83	83
Garnet Coleman (D)	147	+	+	+	+	+	+	100	100
Byron Cook (R)	8	-	-	-	-	+	A	17	23
Robby Cook (D)	17	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	31
Frank Corte (R)	122	-	E	E	-	+	+	50	39
Joe Crabb (R)	127	+	-	-	-	+	-	33	24
Tom Craddick (R)	82	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N
Brandon Creighton (R)	16	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	33
Myra Crownover (R)	64	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	9
Drew Darby (R)	72	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	33

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KEY

% - Percentage of time legislator supported environmental position LIFE - Lifetime environmental voting record. Not available for Senate.
 + =Voted for the measure - =Vote against the measure N =Serving as Chair - not able to vote A=Did not cast a vote E=Excused absence



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John Davis (R)	129	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	24
Yvonne Davis (D)	111	+	+	+	+	+	-	83	92
Dianne White Delisi (R)	55	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	38
Joseph Deshotel (D)	22	+	-	-	-	+	+	50	68
Joe Driver (R)	113	-	-	-	-	+	A	17	9
Dawonna Dukes (D)	46	+	P	+	+	+	+	83	92
Jim Dunnam (D)	57	+	A	+	+	+	+	83	85
Harold Dutton (D)	142	+	+	+	-	+	+	83	85
Craig Eiland (D)	23	+	-	-	-	+	+	50	61
Rob Eissler (R)	15	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	31
Gary Elkins (R)	135	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	24
Kirk England (R)	106	+	-	+	+	+	-	67	67
Juan Escobar (D)	43	+	-	+	+	+	+	83	85
David Farabee (D)	69	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	38
Joe Farias (D)	118	+	-	+	+	+	+	83	83
Jessica Farrar (D)	148	E	+	+	-	+	+	80	83
Ismael Flores (D)	36	-	-	A	+	+	+	50	61
Dan Flynn (R)	2	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	24
Stephen Frost (D)	1	+	-	+	-	+	+	67	77
Pete Gallego (D)	74	+	-	+	+	+	A	67	75
Juan Garcia (D)	32	+	-	+	-	+	+	67	67
Dan Gattis (R)	20	E	-	-	N	+	+	50	47
Charlie Geren (R)	99	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	9
Helen Giddings (D)	109	+	-	+	A	+	-	50	61
Veronica Gonzalez (D)	41	+	-	+	+	+	+	83	85
Y. Gonzales Tourelles (D)	35	+	-	+	-	+	+	67	75
Tony Goolsby (R)	102	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	30
Ryan Guillen (D)	31	-	-	+	-	+	+	50	54
Pat Haggerty (R)	78	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	31
Mike Hamilton (R)	19	-	A	-	-	+	+	33	24
Kelly Hancock (R)	91	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	17
Rick Hardcastle (R)	68	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	31
Patricia Harless (R)	126	-	-	A	-	E	-	0	0
Linda Harper Brown (R)	105	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	23
Will Hartnett (R)	114	A	A	-	-	-	-	0	7
Joe Heflin (D)	85	+	-	+	-	+	A	50	50
Ana Hernandez (D)	143	+	+	+	-	+	A	67	67
Abel Herrero (D)	34	+	+	+	+	+	+	100	100
Harvey Hilderbran (R)	53	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	38
Fred Hill (R)	112	-	-	A	-	+	A	17	23
Scott Hochberg (D)	137	+	+	+	+	+	A	83	92
Terri Hodge (D)	100	-	+	+	+	+	+	83	75
Mark Homer (D)	3	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	38
Chuck Hopson (D)	11	-	-	+	-	+	+	50	40
Charlie Howard (R)	26	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	9
Donna Howard (D)	48	+	-	+	+	+	+	83	83
Bryan Hughes (R)	5	-	-	-	A	+	+	33	38
Carl Isett (R)	84	-	N	-	-	+	+	40	29
Jim Jackson (R)	115	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	23
Delwin Jones (R)	83	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	31
James Keffer (R)	60	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	25
Phil King (R)	61	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	23
Susan King (R)	71	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	33
Tracy King (D)	80	-	E	E	-	+	+	50	38
Lois Kolkhorst (R)	13	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	24
Mike Krusee (R)	52	-	-	-	-	+	A	17	16
Edmund Kuempel (R)	44	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	17
Thomas Latham (R)	101	-	-	A	-	+	A	17	17
Jodie Laubenberg (R)	89	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	16
David Leibowitz (D)	117	+	+	+	+	+	+	100	100

Representative	Dist.	1	2	3	4	5	6	%	LIFE
Eddie Lucio III (D)	38	+	-	+	-	+	+	67	67
Nathan Macias (R)	73	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	33
Jerry Madden (R)	67	-	-	-	-	+	A	17	23
B. Mallory Caraway (D)	110	+	+	+	+	+	-	83	83
Armando Martinez (D)	39	+	-	+	+	+	A	67	77
Trey Martinez Fischer (D)	116	+	+	+	-	+	+	83	85
Brian McCall (R)	66	-	-	-	-	+	A	17	23
Ruth J. McClendon (D)	120	-	-	+	+	+	+	67	77
Jim McReynolds (D)	12	-	A	+	-	+	+	50	47
Jose Menendez (D)	124	+	-	-	-	+	+	50	68
Tommy Merritt (R)	7	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	25
Borris Miles (D)	146	A	+	+	+	+	+	83	83
Sid Miller (R)	59	A	-	-	-	+	-	17	23
Paul Moreno (D)	77	E	E	E	A	+	+	67	76
Geannie Morrison (R)	30	-	-	-	-	+	A	17	23
Anna Mowery (R)	97	-	-	A	-	+	A	17	15
Jim Murphy (R)	133	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	33
Elliott Naishtat (D)	49	+	+	+	+	+	+	100	100
Richard Noriega (D)	145	+	P	+	-	+	+	67	67
Mike O'Day (R)	29	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	33
Rene Oliveira (D)	37	+	-	+	+	+	+	83	63
Dora Olivo (D)	27	+	+	+	+	+	+	100	100
Rob Orr (R)	58	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	23
Solomon Ortiz, Jr. (D)	33	+	-	+	+	+	+	83	83
John Otto (R)	18	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	33
Tan Parker (R)	63	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	17
Diane Patrick (R)	94	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	17
Ken Paxton (R)	70	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	16
Aaron Pena (D)	40	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	67
Larry Phillips (R)	62	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	24
Joe Pickett (D)	79	N	-	-	-	+	+	40	42
Paula Pierson (D)	93	+	A	+	-	+	+	67	67
Jim Pitts (R)	10	-	-	-	-	+	A	17	23
Robert Puente (D)	119	+	-	+	+	+	+	83	85
Inocente Quintanilla (D)	75	-	-	+	-	+	+	50	54
Richard Raymond (D)	42	+	-	+	-	-	+	50	68
Debbie Riddle (R)	150	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	16
Allan Ritter (D)	21	-	-	+	A	+	+	50	32
Eddie Rodriguez (D)	51	+	-	+	+	+	+	83	92
Patrick Rose (D)	45	-	-	+	-	+	+	50	53
Todd Smith (R)	92	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	37
Wayne Smith (R)	128	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	9
John Smithee (R)	86	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	31
Burt Solomons (R)	65	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	23
Mark Strama (D)	50	+	-	+	-	+	+	67	62
Joe Straus (R)	121	-	-	-	-	A	A	0	15
David Swinford (R)	87	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	31
Robert Talton (R)	144	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	9
Larry Taylor (R)	24	-	-	-	-	+	A	17	16
Senfronia Thompson (D)	141	+	+	+	+	+	A	83	70
Vicki Truitt (R)	98	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	23
Sylvester Turner (D)	139	+	-	+	-	N	-	40	56
Corbin Van Arsdale (R)	130	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	31
Allen Vaught (D)	107	E	-	+	+	+	-	60	60
Marc Veasey (D)	95	+	A	+	-	+	+	67	77
Michael Villarreal (D)	123	+	-	+	-	+	+	67	77
Hubert Vo (D)	149	+	-	+	+	+	+	83	85
George West (R)	81	-	-	-	-	+	A	17	9
Beverly Woolley (R)	136	-	-	-	-	+	+	33	17
Bill Zedler (R)	96	-	-	-	-	+	-	17	16
John Zerwas (R)	28	-	-	+	-	+	+	50	50