

Connecticut Citizen Action Group

1989 Legislative Voting Index

Since 1972, the Connecticut Citizen Action Group has published its Legislative Voting Index to educate the public and help our members learn where their legislators stand on issues important to families.

The CCAG Index rates legislators on a broad range of votes on environmental, consumer, health care, labor, civil rights and other issues. CCAG indexes votes on bills and amendments which were priorities for CCAG and our allies.

Heroes or Zeros You Decide

These legislators voted with CCAG issues 100% of the time:

Rep. Larry Anastasia (Norwalk)
Rep. Elizabeth Brown (Waterbury)
Sen. John Daniels (New Haven)
Rep. Doreen Del Bianco
(Waterbury)
Rep. Juan Figueroa (Hartford)

Rep. Joseph Grabarz (Bridgeport)
Rep. John Fonfara (Hartford)
Rep. George Jepsen (Stamford)
Rep. David Lavine (Durham)
Rep. Martin Looney (North Haven)
Sen. James Maloney (Danbury)
Sen. Cynthia Matthews
(Wethersfield)

Rep. David Pudlin (New Britain)
Rep. Rala, Joseph (New Britain)
Rep. Miles Rapoport (West
Hartford)
Rep. Thomas Ritter (Hartford)
Rep. Americo Santiago (Bridgeport)
Rep. Lynn Taborsak (Danbury)

These legislators voted against all of CCAG's issues:

Rep. Richard Belden (Shelton)
Rep. Adele Kusnitz (Monroe)
Rep. Oskar Rogg (New Milford)
Rep. Joseph Ruwett (Torrington)
Rep. John Savage (Eastford)

THE SENATE

| # | Senator's Name | A | B | C | D | % |
|----|-------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|-----|
| 25 | Atkin, John (D-Norwalk) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 11 | Avallone, Anthony (D-New Haven) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 2 | Barrows, Frank (D-Hartford) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 36 | Benvenuto, Emil (R-Riverside) | + | - | - | - | 25 |
| 27 | Blumenthal, Richard (D-Stamford) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 31 | Casey, Steven (D-Bristol) | - | + | + | - | 50 |
| 10 | Daniels, John (D-New Haven) | + | + | + | + | 100 |
| 1 | DiBella, William (D-Hartford) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 30 | Eads, M. Adela (R-Kent) | + | - | - | + | 50 |
| 26 | Freedman, Judith (R-Westport) | - | - | - | - | 0 |
| 21 | Gunther, George (R-Stratford) | - | - | - | - | 0 |
| 17 | Hale, Gary (D-Ansonia) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 33 | Hampton, Kenneth (R-Haddam) | + | - | - | + | 50 |
| 6 | Harper Jr, Joseph H (D-New Britain) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 35 | Herbst, Marie (D-Vernon) | - | + | - | - | 25 |
| 29 | Johnston, Kevin (D-Putnam) | + | + | - | - | 50 |
| 3 | Larson, John B (D-East Hartford) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 28 | Lovegrove, Fred (R-Fairfield) | + | + | - | - | 50 |

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|----|--------------------------------------|---|---|---|---|-----|
| 24 | Maloney, James H (D-Danbury) | + | + | + | + | 100 |
| 9 | Matthews, Cynthia (D-Wethersfield) | + | + | + | + | 100 |
| 32 | McLaughlin, James (R-Woodbury) | - | + | + | - | 50 |
| 4 | Meotti, Michael P (D-Glastonbury) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 23 | Morton, Margaret (D-Bridgeport) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 13 | Mustone, Amelia (D-Merident) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 7 | O'Leary, Cornelius (D-Windsor Locks) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 20 | Powers, Mark (D-Niantic) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 19 | Przybysz, Kenneth (D-Uncasville) | - | + | + | - | 50 |
| 34 | Robertson, Philip S (R-Cheshire) | + | - | - | + | 50 |
| 22 | Scarpetti, Lee (R-Trumbull) | + | - | - | + | 50 |
| 14 | Scott, Thomas (R-Milford) | + | - | - | - | 25 |
| 8 | Smith, Reginald (R-New Hartford) | + | - | - | + | 50 |
| 16 | Somma, Stephen (R-Waterbury) | + | - | + | + | 75 |
| 18 | Spellman, Steven (D-Pawcatuck) | - | + | + | - | 50 |
| 5 | Sullivan, Kevin (D-West Hartford) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 12 | Sullivan, Thomas (D-Guilford) | - | + | + | + | 75 |
| 15 | Upton, Thomas (R-Waterbury) | + | - | + | + | 75 |

A *Worker's Rights* **H.B. 7610, Motion to Recommit (Senate Index)**

See House Bill Description 7. This was a motion to kill the bill by recommitting it.

A vote for this motion was the correct one.
Motion failed 14 to 22.

B *Family and Medical Leave* **S.B.315 (Senate Index)**

This bill provides employees with the option of 24 weeks of unpaid leave and continued health benefits for the birth or adoption of a child, care of a sick spouse, child or parent or personal illness. The bill applied to companies with 25 or more employees and was phased in over a 5-year period.

A vote for this bill was a correct one.
Bill passed 25 to 11.
Note: A weakened version of the bill was later passed in the House.

C *Housing Zoning Appeals Process* **H.B. 7270 (Senate Index)**

See House bill description 4.

A vote for this bill was the correct one.
The bill passed 22 to 12.

D *Fair Rent Commissions* **H.B. 6188 (Senate Index)**

See House Bill description 2. Senate voted on weakened House version.

A vote for this bill was the correct vote.
The bill passed 25 to 11.