

TexPIRG's 2005 State Legislative Scorecard



Advocate For The Public Interest

When consumers are cheated, or our natural environment is threatened, or the voices of ordinary citizens are drowned out by special interest lobbyists, TexPIRG speaks up and takes action. We uncover threats to public health and well-being and fight to end them, using the time-tested tools of investigative research, media exposés, grassroots organizing, advocacy and litigation. TexPIRG's mission is to deliver persistent, result-oriented public interest activism that protects our environment, encourages a fair, sustainable economy, and fosters responsive, democratic government.

KEY TO VOTES

- 1 - **Campaign Finance Reform** - HB 1348 (Eiland) would have closed the loopholes that allow direct corporate and union contributions to campaigns.
- 2 - **Clean Water** - HB 2833 (Cook) would have gutted water quality standards by requiring cities to reimburse developers for profits lost due to environmental protections.
- 3 - **Renewable Energy** - An amendment by Representative David Swinford to SB 743 would have required that approximately 7% of Texas' electricity be generated from clean, renewable sources by the year 2017.
- 4 - **Renewable Energy** - An amendment by Representative Phil King to SB 712 to make sure renewable energy producers don't pay discriminatory fees for transmission.
- 5 - **Prescription Drugs** - An amendment by Representative Scott Hochberg to SB 410 facilitating access for Texas families to lower-cost prescription drugs from Canada. This vote was a motion by Representative Vicki Truitt to table the amendment. A no vote was the public interest position.

6 - **Clean Air** - An amendment by Representative Abel Herero to HB 1900 to require industrial plants to install monitoring equipment. This vote was a motion by Representative Dennis Bonnen to table the amendment. A no vote was the public interest position.

7 - **Clean Air** - An amendment by Representative Abel Herero to HB 1900 to fine industrial plants for emissions events. This vote was a motion by Representative Dennis Bonnen to table the amendment. A no vote was the public interest position.

8 - **Clean Air** - An amendment by Representative Toby Goodman to HB 1900 to set stricter standards for emissions of toxic chemicals by industrial plants. This vote was a motion by Representative Dennis Bonnen to table the amendment. A no vote was the public interest position.

9 - **Environmental Enforcement** - An amendment by Representative Eddie Rodriguez to HB 1429 strengthening enforcement against violations by rock crushing facilities. This vote was a motion by Representative Edmund Kuempel to table the amendment. A no vote was the public interest position.

- + = For the Public Interest
- = Against the Public Interest
- E = Excused from Vote
- A = Absent from Vote
- P = Abstained from vote
- N/A = Chair or Not in Office

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2005 House Votes

Representative (District)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Score
Allen, Ray (106)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	33%
Allen, Alma (131)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	89%
Alonzo, Roberto (104)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Anchia, Rafael (103)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Anderson, Charles (56)	-	-	+	+	-	E	E	E	-	33%
Bailey, Kevin (140)	-	-	E	+	E	+	+	+	E	67%
Baxter, Todd (48)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	56%
Berman, Leo (6)	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Blake, Roy (9)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	33%
Bohac, Dwayne (138)	E	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	38%
Bonnen, Dennis (25)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	11%
Branch, Dan (108)	-	-	P	P	+	E	E	E	N/A	20%
Brown, Fred (14)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Brown, Betty (4)	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	33%
Burnam, Lon (90)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Callegari, Bill (132)	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	33%
Campbell, Scott (72)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	44%
Casteel, Carter (73)	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	33%
Castro, Joaquin (125)	E	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Chavez, Norma (76)	-	P	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	67%
Chisum, Warren (88)	-	-	+	P	-	-	-	A	-	11%
Coleman, Garnet (147)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Cook, Byron (8)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	33%
Cook, Robby (17)	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	33%
Corte, Frank (122)	E	A	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	25%
Crabb, Joe (127)	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Craddick, Tom (82)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0%
Crownover, Myra (64)	-	-	A	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Davis, John (129)	-	-	-	-	A	-	A	A	+	11%
Davis, Yvonne (111)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Dawson, Glenda (29)	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Delisi, Dianne (55)	-	-	+	A	-	-	-	+	+	33%
Denny, Mary (63)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	33%
Deshotel, Joe (22)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	89%
Driver, Joe (113)	-	-	-	A	+	-	-	-	-	11%
Dukes, Dawanna (46)	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	89%
Dunnam, Jim (57)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	89%
Dutton, Harold (142)	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	78%
Edwards, Al (146)	-	A	+	+	+	+	+	A	+	67%
Eiland, Craig (23)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	78%
Eissler, Rob (15)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	33%
Elkins, Gary (135)	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Escobar, Juan (43)	A	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	78%
Farabee, David (69)	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	56%
Farrar, Jessica (148)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	89%
Flores, Kino (36)	-	-	+	+	+	+	A	+	+	67%
Flynn, Dan (2)	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Frost, Stephen (1)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	89%
Gallego, Pete (74)	+	-	E	+	E	+	+	+	+	86%
Gattis, Dan (20)	-	-	+	+	N/A	-	-	-	+	38%
Geran, Charlie (99)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	11%
Giddings, Helen (109)	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	67%
Gonzales, Veronica (41)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	89%
Gonzales Tourelles, Yvonne	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	E	88%
Goodman, Toby (93)	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	67%
Goolsby, Tony (102)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	44%
Griggs, Bob (91)	E	-	+	+	+	E	E	E	-	60%
Grusendorf, Kent (94)	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Guillen, Ryan (31)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	67%
Haggerty, Pat (78)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	A	33%
Hamilton, Mike (19)	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Hamric, Peggy (126)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Hardcastle, Rick (68)	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	22%
Harper-Brown, Linda (105)	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	22%
Hartnett, Will (114)	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Hegar, Glenn (28)	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	33%
Herrero, Abel (34)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Hilderbrand, Harvey (53)	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	44%
Hill, Fred (112)	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	33%
Hochberg, Scott (137)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Hodge, Terri (100)	+	-	E	+	E	+	A	+	+	71%
Homer, Mark (3)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	44%
Hope, Ruben (16)	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	33%
Hopson, Chuck (11)	-	-	+	-	P	-	-	-	+	22%
Howard, Charlie (26)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	11%

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Hughes, Bryan (5)	-	-	+	+	A	-	-	-	+	33%
Hunter, Bob (71)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	33%
Hupp, Suzanna (54)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	44%
Isett, Carl (84)	-	-	E	+	E	-	-	-	-	14%
Jackson, Jim (115)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	33%
Jones, Jesse (110)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Jones, Delwin (83)	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	22%
Keel, Terry (47)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Keffer, Jim (60)	-	-	N/A	+	+	-	-	-	-	25%
Keffer, Bill (107)	-	-	-	+	A	-	-	-	-	11%
King, Tracy (80)	-	A	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	11%
King, Phil (61)	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	33%
Kolkhorst, Lois (13)	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Krusee, Mike (52)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	22%
Kuempel, Edmund (44)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	11%
Laney, James (85)	A	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	33%
Laubenberg, Jodie (89)	-	-	-	+	A	-	-	-	-	11%
Leibowitz, David (117)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Luna, Vilma (33)	-	-	+	+	A	-	-	+	+	44%
Madden, Jerry (67)	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	33%
Martinez, Armando (39)	E	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	88%
Martinez Fischer, Trey (116)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	89%
McCall, Brian (66)	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	33%
McClendon, Ruth (120)	A	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	78%
McReynolds, Jim (12)	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	44%
Menendez, Jose (124)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	89%
Merritt, Tommy (7)	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	E	38%
Miller, Sid (59)	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	P	-	22%
Moreno, Joe (77)	+	NA	NA	NA	NA	+	+	+	+	100%
Moreno, Paul (143)	A	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	78%
Morrison, Geanie (30)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	A	-	33%
Mowery, Anna (97)	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Naishtat, Elliott (49)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Nixon, Joe (133)	E	-	-	A	P	-	-	-	-	0%
Noriega, Melissa (145)	E	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Oliveira, Rene (37)	A	-	+	+	+	A	A	A	+	44%
Olivo, Dora (27)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Orr, Rob (58)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	33%
Otto, John (18)	-	N/A	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	38%
Paxton, Ken (70)	-	-	-	+	A	-	-	-	-	11%
Pena, Aaron (40)	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	89%
Phillips, Larry (62)	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Pickett, Joe (79)	-	-	+	-	-	+	A	+	+	44%
Pitts, Jim (10)	A	-	+	+	E	-	-	-	-	25%
Puente, Robert (119)	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	A	+	78%
Quintanilla, Chente (75)	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	A	+	56%
Raymond, Richard (42)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	89%
Reyna, Elvira (101)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	11%
Riddle, Debbie (150)	-	-	+	-	A	-	-	-	A	11%
Ritter, Allan (21)	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Rodriguez, Eddie (51)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Rose, Patrick (45)	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	67%
Seaman, Gene (32)	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	A	A	22%
Smith, Todd (92)	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	67%
Smith, Wayne (128)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	11%
Smithee, John (86)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	33%
Solis, Jim (38)	A	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	78%
Solomons, Burt (65)	-	-	A	-	+	-	-	+	+	33%
Strama, Mark (50)	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	67%
Straus, Joe (121)	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	22%
Swinford, David (87)	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	33%
Talton, Robert (144)	E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	E	0%
Taylor, Larry (24)	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	11%
Thompson, Senfronia (141)	+	-	-	A	+	+	+	+	+	67%
Truitt, Vicki (98)	-	-	+	-	A	-	-	-	+	22%
Turner, Sylvester (139)	-	+	+	-	+	+	A	+	+	67%
Uresti, Carlos (118)	-	-	+	E	+	+	+	+	+	75%
Van Arsdale, Corbin (130)	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	+	33%
Veasey, Marc (95)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	89%
Villarreal, Mike (123)	+	+	+	A	+	+	+	+	+	89%
Vo, Hubert (149)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	89%
West, Buddy (81)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	11%
Wong, Martha (134)	-	A	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	22%
Woolley, Beverly (136)	E	-	-	N/A	A	-	-	-	-	0%
Zedler, Bill (96)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	22%

Unfortunately, there were not enough pertinent votes to compile a Senate scorecard