

MICHIGAN ENVIRONMENTAL SCORECARD 2011-2012



AT A GLANCE

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

AVERAGES

House	48%
Democrats	70%
Republicans	31%

Top of the Class - Score of 100%

Greimel, T. (D-29)*†

Honorable Mention - Score of 92%

Irwin, J. (D-53)* Lipton, E.C. (D-27)
Slavens, D. (D-21) Switalski, J. (D-25)

Bottom of the Class - Score of 15%

Franz, R. (R-101) Hooker, T. (R-77)
McMillin, T. (R-45) Nesbitt, A. (R-80)
Sommerville, P. (R-23)

SENATE

AVERAGES

Senate	52%
Democrats	90%
Republicans	34%

Top of the Class - Score of 100%

Bieda, S. (D-9) Hood III, M. (D-3)
Hopgood, H. (D-8) Warren, R. (D-18)

Honorable Mention - Score of 92%

Anderson, G. (D-6) Gregory, V. (D-14)
Whitmer, G. (D-23) Young II, C. (D-1)

Bottom of the Class - Score of 25%

Booher, D. (R-35) Hune, J. (R-22)
Meekhof, A. (R-30) Robertson, D. (R-26)
Schuitmaker, T. (R-20)

* Outstanding freshman members of the legislature
† Only served part of the session due to special election in Feb. 2012.

LEADERSHIP

House

Speaker of the House: Bolger, J. (R-63)	31%
Majority Floor Leader: Stamas, J. (R-98)	31%
Minority Leader: Hammel, R. (D-48)	62%
Minority Floor Leader: Segal, K. (D-62)	77%

House Committee Chairs

Natural Resources, Tourism, & Outdoor Recreation:	
Foster, F. (R-107)	38%
Energy & Technology: Horn, K. (R-94)	31%
Agriculture: Daley, K. (R-82)	38%
Health Policy: Haines, G. (R-43)	38%
Transportation: Opsommer, P. (R-93)	31%

Senate

Majority Leader: Richardville, R. (R-17)	33%
Majority Floor Leader: Meekhof, A. (R-30)	25%
Minority Leader: Whitmer, G. (D-23)	92%
Minority Floor Leader: Hunter, T. (D-5)	83%

Senate Committee Chairs

Natural Resources, Environment, & Great Lakes:	
Casperson, T. (R-38)	33%
Energy & Technology: Nofs, M. (R-19)	33%
Agriculture: Hune, J. (R-22)	25%
Health Policy: Marleau, J. (R-12)	33%
Outdoor Recreation & Tourism: Hansen, G. (R-34)	50%
Transportation: Casperson, T. (R-38)	33%

House Votes

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Agema, D.	R	74	Grandville	3	23%	14%	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Ananich, J.	D	49	Flint	1	69%	69%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+
Barnett, V.	D	37	Farmington Hills	2	85%	93%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Bauer, J.	D	68	Lansing	3	77%	92%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Bledsoe, T.	D	1	Grosse Pointe	2	77%	89%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+
Bolger, J.	R	63	Marshall	2	31%	35%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brown, L.	D	39	West Bloomfield	2	85%	93%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Brunner, C.	D	96	Bay City	1	54%	54%	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+
Bumstead, J.	R	100	Newaygo	1	38%	38%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+
Byrum, B.	D	67	Onondaga	3	77%	88%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Callton, M.	R	87	Nashville	1	23%	23%	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Cavanagh, P.	D	17	Redford Twp.	1	69%	69%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+
Clemente, P.	D	14	Lincoln Park	1	38%	38%	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+
Constan, B.	D	16	Dearborn Hts.	3	69%	90%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+
Cotter, K.	R	99	Mt. Pleasant	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Crawford, H.	R	38	Novi	2	31%	24%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Daley, K.	R	82	Lum	2	38%	28%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-
Damrow, K.	R	84	Port Austin	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Darany, G.	D	15	Dearborn	1	77%	77%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+
Denby, C.	R	47	Fowlerville	2	31%	27%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dillon, B.	D	75	Grand Rapids	1	85%	85%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Durhal Jr., F.	D	6	Detroit	2	69%	82%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+
Farrington, J.	R	30	Utica	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forlini, A.	R	24	Harrison Twp.	1	38%	38%	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-
Foster, F.	R	107	Pellston	1	38%	38%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-
Franz, R.	R	101	Onkama	1	15%	15%	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Geiss, D.	D	22	Taylor	2	62%	81%	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Genetski, B.	R	88	Saugatuck	2	23%	12%	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gilbert, J.	R	81	Algonac	1	31%	22%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Glardon, B.	R	85	Owosso	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Goike, K.	R	33	Ray Twp.	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	/	-	-	-	-
Graves, J.	R	51	Argentine Twp.	*1	20%	20%									+	-	-	-	-
Greimel, T.	D	29	Pontiac	*1	100%	100%									+	+	+	+	+
Haines, G.	R	43	Waterford	2	38%	64%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-
Hammel, R.	D	48	Flushing	3	62%	76%	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+
Haugh, H.	D	42	Roseville	2	38%	66%	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+
Haveman, J.	R	90	Holland	2	31%	24%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Heise, K.	R	20	Plymouth	1	38%	38%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-
Hobbs, R.	D	35	Lathrup Village	1	69%	69%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	/	+	+	+	+
Hooker, T.	R	77	Byron Center	1	15%	15%	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Horn, K.	R	94	Frankenmuth	3	31%	24%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hovey-Wright, M.	D	92	Muskegon	1	85%	85%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Howze, L.	D	2	Detroit	1	69%	69%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Hughes, H.	R	91	Montague	1	46%	46%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	+
Huuki, M.	R	110	Atlantic Mine	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Irwin, J.	D	53	Ann Arbor	1	92%	92%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Jackson, S.	D	9	Detroit	3	62%	68%	-	+	-	-	+	+	/	+	+	+	+	-	+
Jacobsen, B.	R	46	Oxford	1	38%	38%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-
Jenkins, N.	R	57	Clayton	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Johnson, J.	R	97	Clare	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kandreas, A.	D	13	Southgate	2	54%	72%	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+
Knollenberg, M.	R	41	Troy	3	31%	30%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kowall, E.	R	44	White Lake	2	23%	28%	-	-	/	/	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-
Kurtz, K.	R	58	Coldwater	2	23%	15%	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
LaFontaine, A.	R	32	Richmond	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lane, M.	D	31	Fraser	1	54%	54%	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+
LeBlanc, R.	D	18	Westland	3	46%	67%	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+
Lindberg, S.	D	109	Marquette	3	38%	79%	/	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	+
Lipton, E. C.	D	27	Huntington Wds	2	92%	96%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Liss, L.	D	28	Warren	2	38%	69%	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+
Lori, M.	R	59	Constantine	2	46%	32%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-
Lund, P.	R	36	Shelby Twp.	2	31%	19%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Lyons, L.	R	86	Alto	1	38%	38%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-
MacGregor, P.	R	73	Rockford	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
MacMaster, G.	R	105	Kewadin	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	/	-	-	-	-	-
McBroom, E.	R	108	Vulcan	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
McCann, S.	D	60	Kalamazoo	1	77%	77%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
McMillin, T.	R	45	Rochester Hills	2	15%	8%	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meadows, M.	D	69	East Lansing	3	77%	92%	+	+	-	+	+	/	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Moss, C.	R	40	Birmingham	3	31%	34%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Muxlow, P.	R	83	Brown City	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nathan, D.	D	11	Detroit	2	77%	86%	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+
Nesbitt, A.	R	80	Lawton	1	15%	15%	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Oakes, S.	D	95	Saginaw	1	62%	62%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+
O'Brien, M.	R	61	Portage	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Olson, R.	R	55	Saline	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Olumba, J.	D	5	Detroit	1	77%	77%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	/	/	+	+	+
Opsommer, P.	R	93	Dewitt	3	31%	36%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Quimet, M.	R	52	Scio Twp.	1	38%	38%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-
Outman, R.	R	70	Six Lakes	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pettalia, P.	R	106	Presque Ile	1	38%	38%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+
Poleski, E.	R	64	Jackson	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Potvin, P.	R	102	Cadillac	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Price, A.	R	89	Park Twp.	1	38%	38%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-
Pscholka, A.	R	79	Stevensville	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rendon, B.	R	103	Lake City	1	38%	38%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+
Rogers, B.	R	66	Brighton	2	38%	36%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-
Rutledge, D.	D	54	Ypsilanti	1	85%	85%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Santana, H.	D	10	Detroit	1	69%	69%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Schmidt, R.	D**	76	Grand Rapids	2	38%	66%	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+
Schmidt, W.	R	104	Traverse City	2	46%	40%	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+

** Changed party affiliation to Republican in June 2012. The majority of time served was as a Democrat.

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Shaughnessy, D.	R	71	Charlotte	1	23%	23%	+	/	/	/	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Shirkey, M.	R	65	Clark Lake	1	23%	23%	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Slavens, D.	D	21	Canton Twp.	2	92%	96%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Smiley, C.	D	50	Burton	1	77%	77%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Somerville, P.	R	23	New Boston	1	15%	15%	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stallworth III, T.	D	8	Detroit	1	62%	62%	/	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Stamas, J.	R	98	Midland	2	31%	24%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stanley, W.	D	34	Flint	2	62%	81%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+
Stapleton, M.	D	4	Detroit	1	62%	62%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+
Switalski, J.	D	25	Warren	2	92%	96%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Tinsley-Talabi, A.	D	3	Detroit	1	69%	69%	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+
Tlaib, R.	D	12	Detroit	2	85%	90%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Townsend, J.	D	26	Royal Oak	1	77%	77%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+
Tyler, S.	R	78	Niles	2	38%	44%	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Walsh, J.	R	19	Livonia	2	31%	30%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Womack, J.	D	7	Detroit	2	69%	82%	+	/	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+
Yonker, K.	R	72	Caledonia	1	31%	31%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-
Zorn, D.	R	56	Ida	1	38%	38%	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-



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House of Representatives

Bill Descriptions

1 Increase Funding for Pure Michigan

House Bill 4160 | Yeas = 95 Nays = 13 | Passed the House & Senate. Signed by the Governor.

In February 2011, the Michigan House passed HB 4160, which provides an additional \$10 million to the Pure Michigan Campaign. A YES vote was a vote for the environment.

2 Weaken Protections for Michigan Wetlands

House Bill 4303 | Yeas = 71 Nays = 37 | Passed the House, and stalled in the Senate.

In June 2011, the Michigan House passed HB 4303, which prohibits the DEQ from imposing compensatory wetland mitigation in certain roadwork projects. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

3 Extend Fee Collection Deadline for DEQ Programs

Senate Bill 422 | Yeas = 59 Nays = 49 | Passed the Senate & House. Signed by the Governor.

In June 2011, the Michigan House passed SB 422, which delays the sunset on fee collection for DEQ water quality protection programs by two to four years so the DEQ can continue to collect revenue. A YES vote was a vote for the environment.

4 Weaken Natural Resources Extraction Ordinances

House Bill 4746 | Yeas = 85 Nays = 23 | Passed the House & Senate. Signed by the Governor.

In June 2011, the Michigan House passed HB 4746, which specifies that a zoning ordinance cannot prevent the extraction of valuable natural resources from any property unless “very serious consequences” would result from the extraction. This diverges from the rational-basis standard that applies to all other types of land use restrictions. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

5 Appropriations With Matching Funds for High Speed Rail

Senate Bill 237 | Yeas = 101 Nays = 8 | Passed the Senate & House. Signed by the Governor.

In September 2011, the Michigan House passed SB 237, which allocates federal funding to high-speed rail projects in Michigan. A YES vote was a vote for the environment.

6 No Stricter than Federal Regulations

House Bill 4326 | Yeas = 59 Nays = 48 | Passed the House & Senate. Vetoed by the Governor.

In November 2011, the Michigan House passed HB 4326, which prohibits the Governor and the agencies he directs from adopting regulations that are more stringent than existing applicable federal regulations. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

7 Create Invasive Species Council

Senate Bills 508-510 | Yeas = 107 Nays = 0 | Passed the Senate & House. Signed by the Governor.

In December 2011, the Michigan House passed SB 508 – 510, which create a council dedicated to preventing the spread of invasive species in the Great Lakes and Michigan waterways. A YES vote was a vote for the environment.

8 Force Roads through State Land

House Bill 4298 | Yeas = 98 Nays = 9 | Passed the House & Senate. Signed by the Governor.

In December 2011, the Michigan House passed HB 4298, which requires the DNR to grant road easements through state land to landlocked private land, even if the landowner knew it was landlocked when purchased. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

9 Reduce Compost Recycling

House Bills 4265 & 4266 | Yeas = 67 Nays = 40 | Passed the House, and stalled in the Senate.

In March 2012, the Michigan House passed HB 4265 & 4266, which change current composting regulations so that more yard waste will be disposed in landfills. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

10 Weaken Oversight for Underground Storage Tanks

Senate Bills 528 – 533 | Yeas = 72 Nays = 37 | Passed the Senate & House. Signed by the Governor.

In April 2012, the Michigan House passed SB 528 – 533, which reduce the number and frequency with which the DEQ may audit a report claiming compliance with a clean-up plan and mandate a finding of compliance if no audit contradicts it. The package also creates a Michigan Underground Storage Tank Advisory. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

11 Remove Shoreline Protections

Senate Bill 1052 | Yeas = 82 Nays = 28 | Passed the Senate & House. Signed by the Governor.

In June 2012, the Michigan House passed SB 1052, which deregulates beach maintenance below the ordinary high water mark, thus removing permit protection for shoreline wetlands between the ordinary high water mark and the water's edge. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

12 Weaken DEQ Oversight for Contamination Cleanup

Senate Bill 1090 | Yeas = 67 Nays = 40 | Passed the Senate & House. Signed by the Governor.

In June 2012, the Michigan House passed SB 1090, which weakens clean-up procedures for sites where contaminated groundwater is venting to surface water bodies by reducing the state's oversight of clean-up plans and implementation. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

13 Limit DNR Land Acquisition

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Senate Votes

- + Pro environment action
- Anti-environment action
- / Absence, Not Voting; Counts as a negative

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- 4= Appropriations w/ Matching Funds for High Speed Rail
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- 11= Limit DNR Land Acquisition
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Senator	Party	District	Hometown	Term	2011-2012 Score	Lifetime Average	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
Anderson, G.	D	6	Westland	2	92%	93%	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Bieda, S.	D	9	Warren	1	100%	97%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Booher, D.	R	35	Ewart	1	25%	23%	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brandenburg, J.	R	11	Harrison Twp.	1	33%	45%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Casperson, T.	R	38	Escanaba	1	33%	31%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Caswell, B.	R	16	Hillsdale	1	50%	34%	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
Colbeck, P.	R	7	Canton	1	33%	33%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Emmons, J.	R	33	Sheridan	1	42%	26%	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gleason, J.	D	27	Flushing	2	75%	79%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-
Green, M.	R	31	Mayville	1	33%	33%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Gregory, V.	D	14	Southfield	1	92%	96%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Hansen, G.	R	34	Hart	1	50%	44%	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	/	+	-	-
Hildenbrand, D.	R	29	Lowell	1	33%	33%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hood III, M.	D	3	Detroit	1	100%	97%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Hopgood, H.	D	8	Taylor	1	100%	100%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Hune, J.	R	22	Hamburg	1	25%	27%	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Hunter, T.	D	5	Detroit	2	83%	94%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-
Jansen, M.	R	28	Gaines Twp.	2	33%	26%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Johnson, B.	D	2	Highland Park	1	83%	91%	/	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	/	+
Jones, R.	R	24	Grand Ledge	1	33%	36%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kahn, R.	R	32	Saginaw	2	33%	23%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Kowall, M.	R	15	White Lake	1	33%	42%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Marleau, J.	R	12	Lake Orion	1	33%	35%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Meekhof, A.	R	30	West Olive	1	25%	25%	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Moolenaar, J.	R	36	Midland	1	33%	29%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nofs, M.	R	19	Battle Creek	*2	33%	29%	+	+	-	+	+	/	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pappageorge, J.	R	13	Troy	2	33%	30%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pavlov, P.	R	25	St. Clair	1	33%	24%	+	+	-	+	+	-	/	-	-	-	-	-
Proos, J.	R	21	St. Joseph	1	42%	36%	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Richardville, R.	R	17	Monroe	2	33%	35%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Robertson, D.	R	26	Grand Blanc	1	25%	21%	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Rocca, T.	R	10	Sterling Hgts	1	33%	60%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Schuitmaker, T.	R	20	Lawton	1	25%	34%	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smith, V.	D	4	Detroit	1	75%	81%	/	+	+	+	+	+	/	+	+	-	+	+
Walker, H.	R	37	Traverse City	1	42%	39%	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-
Warren, R.	D	18	Ann Arbor	1	100%	100%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Whitmer, G.	D	23	East Lansing	*3	92%	91%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	/	+
Young II, C.	D	1	Detroit	1	92%	95%	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

* Elected to the Senate in first term by special election

Senate Bill Descriptions

1 Increase Funding for Pure Michigan

House Bill 4160 | Yeas = 35 Nays = 1 | Passed the House & Senate. Signed by the Governor.

In February 2011, the Michigan Senate passed HB 4160, which provides an additional \$10 million to the Pure Michigan Campaign. A YES vote was a vote for the environment.

2 Extend Fee Collection Deadline for DEQ Programs

Senate Bill 422 | Yeas = 38 Nays = 0 | Passed the Senate & House. Signed by the Governor.

In June 2011, the Michigan Senate passed SB 422, which delays the sunset on fee collection for DEQ water quality protection programs by two to four years so the DEQ can continue to collect revenue. A YES vote was a vote for the environment.

3 Weaken Natural Resources Extraction Ordinances

House Bill 4746 | Yeas = 26 Nays = 12 | Passed the House & Senate. Signed by the Governor.

In June 2011, the Michigan Senate passed HB 4746, which specifies that a zoning ordinance cannot prevent the extraction of valuable natural resources from any property unless “very serious consequences” would result from the extraction. This diverges from the rational-basis standard that applies to all other types of land use restrictions. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

4 Appropriations With Matching Funds for High Speed Rail

Senate Bill 237 | Yeas = 33 Nays = 5 | Passed the Senate & House. Signed by the Governor.

In September 2011, the Michigan Senate passed SB 237, which allocates federal funding to high-speed rail projects in Michigan. A YES vote was a vote for the environment.

5 Create Invasive Species Council

Senate Bills 508-510 | Yeas = 38 Nays = 0 | Passed the Senate & House. Signed by the Governor.

In October 2011, the Michigan Senate passed SB 508 – 510, which create a council dedicated to preventing the spread of invasive species in the Great Lakes and Michigan waterways. A YES vote was a vote for the environment.

6 Force Roads through State Land

House Bill 4298 | Yeas = 25 Nays = 12 | Passed the House & Senate. Signed by the Governor.

In November 2011, the Michigan Senate passed HB 4298, which requires the DNR to grant road easements through state land to landlocked private land, even if the landowner knew it was landlocked when purchased. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

7 No Stricter than Federal Regulations

House Bill 4326 | Yeas = 25 Nays = 11 | Passed the House & Senate. Vetoed by the Governor.

In November 2011, the Michigan Senate passed HB 4326, which prohibits the Governor and the agencies he directs from adopting regulations that are more stringent than existing applicable federal regulations. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

8 Weaken Oversight for Underground Storage Tanks

Senate Bills 528 – 533 | Yeas = 26 Nays = 12 | Passed the Senate & House. Signed by the Governor.

In April 2012, the Michigan Senate passed SB 528 – 533, which reduce the number and frequency with which the DEQ may audit a report claiming compliance with a clean-up plan and mandate a finding of compliance if no audit contradicts it. The package also creates a Michigan Underground Storage Tank Advisory. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

9 Remove Shoreline Protections

Senate Bill 1052 | Yeas = 26 Nays = 11 | Passed the Senate & House. Signed by the Governor.

In May 2012, the Michigan Senate passed SB 1052, which deregulates beach maintenance below the ordinary high water mark by removing permit protection for shoreline between the ordinary high water mark and the water's edge, increasing the risk of spreading invasive phragmites. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

10 Remove Sand Dune Protections

Senate Bill 1130 | Yeas = 26 Nays = 12 | Passed the Senate, and stalled in the House.

In June 2012, the Michigan Senate passed SB 1130, which amends the law which governs permitting for proposed developments of Critical Dune Areas. Among other changes, it prohibits local critical dune zoning ordinances stricter than the state's model ordinance, prohibits a local government from requiring an environmental impact statement except for special use projects, and requires approval for driveways to existing structures. A NO vote was a vote for the environment.

11 Limit DNR Land Acquisition

Senate Bill 248 | Yeas = 24 Nays = 12 | Passed the Senate & House. Signed by the Governor.

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12 Weaken DEQ Oversight for Contamination Cleanup

Senate Bill 1090 | Yeas = 28 Nays = 10 | Passed the Senate & House. Signed by the Governor.

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A Note from the Executive Director on the Scorecard Release

The Michigan League of Conservation Voters is once again proud to release the *Michigan Environmental Scorecard*, your non-partisan window into the voting scores for Michigan's State Representatives and State Senators on conservation and environmental issues. These scores are based on rigorous analysis, review, and consultation with environmental policy experts from across the state, and track the most important votes made in the 2011 - 2012 legislative session to date.

Because so many critical votes regarding Michigan's Great Lakes, land, air, and waters were saved for the last days of session before the summer recess, we were forced to delay the release of this *Scorecard* until now. This particular document provides the scores and vote descriptions only; we look forward to providing deeper analysis in the coming months.

Sincerely,
Lisa Wozniak
Executive Director

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