



1995-96 Conservation

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1995 VOTES

State House

1 SHB 1625 — Development Impact Fees

Limited impact fees paid by developers to three percent, regardless of the total infrastructure costs to the public. Also stipulated that payment of fees may substitute for meeting GMA requirements in some circumstances. Yeas 70, Nays 26. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." *Died in Senate Government Operations Committee.*

2 SHB 1286 — Forest Practices

A major rewrite of the Forest Practices Act, favoring the forest industry and weakening the enforcement powers of the Department of Natural Resources and Forest Practices Board. Limited the ability of the Board to adopt rules protecting endangered species. Yeas 69, Nays 26, absent 1. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." *Died in Senate Natural Resources Committee.*

3 SHB 1010 — Regulatory Reform

This version of regulatory reform would have precluded effective enforcement of environmental and public health laws related to drinking water, water quality and toxic waste by requiring three "technical assistance" visits before penalties could be issued. Also made issuance of new regulations on a wide range of environmental problems virtually impossible. Yeas 64, Nays 32, excused 2. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." *Signed by Governor with partial vetoes.*

4 SHB 1791 — Water Resources Governance

Shifted authority for the state water resources program from the Department of Ecology to a new water commission and state engineer. Created local water planning processes, allowed the "transfer" of water rights, and changed appeals processes, reducing the state's ability to protect water quality and

quantity. Yeas 77, Nays 19, excused 2. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." *Died in Senate.*

5 SHB 1510 — Marine Safety and Oil Spill Prevention

Abolished the Office of Marine Safety and transferred its responsibilities to the Department of Ecology. Reduced the state's focus on these important responsibilities, increasing the risk of harm to the state's marine environment. Yeas 58, Nays 40. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." *Died in Senate Ecology & Parks Committee, but language later tacked onto Transportation Budget and signed by Governor. This action subsequently ruled unconstitutional by state Supreme Court.*

6 HB 1305 — Growth Management/Non-Urban Areas

Loosened planning processes for siting industrial developments outside urban growth areas, including multi-tenant office parks. Removed the ability to "phase" development in urban growth areas, made commercial development of rural areas easier. Yeas 71, Nays 24, absent 1, excused 2. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." *Signed by Governor with partial vetoes.*

7 SB 5544 — Off-Shore Oil Drilling

Banned oil exploration and development activities in the state's coastal waters and tidelands. Before final passage, the House voted on an amendment to shorten the

permanent ban to only a five-year moratorium. (Buck Amd. #777) Yeas 55, Nays 41, Excused 1. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." *House passed amendment, bill by Signed by Governor.*

8 HI-164 — Takings

The initiative to the legislature which later became Referendum 48, this measure greatly expanded the constitutional definition of a government "taking" of private property. A windfall for developers at the expense of taxpayers and the environment. R-48 was defeated in November of 1995 by a 60% to 40% margin. Yeas 69, Nays 27, Excused 2. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." *Passed by Legislature and referred to ballot.*

State Senate

9 ESB 5194 — Puget Sound Water Quality Authority

Reauthorized the Puget Sound Water Quality Authority as an independent authority with its citizen governing board. Yeas 33, Nays 16. A "yea" is a green vote "✓." *Died in House Agriculture & Ecology Committee.*

10 HI-164 — Takings

See description above. Yeas 28, Nays 20, Excused 1. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." *Passed by Legislature and referred to ballot.*

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1995-96 Conservation Scorecard — House of Representatives

Representative	LD	1995														1996				Legislative Phone
																Percentage Pro-Conservation				
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	16	95-96	93-94	92-91	91-96	
Appelwick	D-46	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	86	91	67	81	(360) 786-7886
Backlund	R-45	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	—	7			7	(360) 786-7822
Ballard	R-12	—	E	—	—	—	E	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	36	0	12	(360) 786-7999
Ballasiotes	R-41	—	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	27		17	(360) 786-7926
Basich	D-19	—	—	✓	—	—	✓	✓	—	✓	E	—	✓	—	—	38	73	33	48	(360) 786-7870
Beeksmma	R-10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7884
Benton	R-17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7976
Blanton	R-21	E	—	—	E	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7950
Boldt	R-17	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7994
Brown	D-3	E	E	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	—	83	91		87	(360) 786-7888
Brumsickle	R-20	—	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	27	11	15	(360) 786-7990
Buck	R-24	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7916
Cairnes	R-47	—	—	—	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7			7	(360) 786-7858
Campbell	R-2	—	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	14	64		39	(360) 786-7824
Carlson	R-49	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	27		14	(360) 786-7924
Carrell	R-28	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7958
Casada	R-25	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	7	50	11	23	(360) 786-7948
Chandler	R-13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	0	(360) 786-7932
Chappell	D-20	—	—	—	—	✓	—	✓	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	21	27		24	(360) 786-7896
Chopp	D-43	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100			100	(360) 786-7920
Clements	R-14	—	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7			7	(360) 786-7856
Cody	D-11	✓	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	93			93	(360) 786-7978
Cole	D-32	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100			100	(360) 786-7910
Conway	D-29	✓	✓	✓	✓	—	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	86	91		89	(360) 786-7906
Cooke	R-47	—	—	—	—	✓	—	✓	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	21	50		36	(360) 786-7918
Costa	D-38	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	86			86	(360) 786-7864
Crouse	R-4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7820
Dellwo	D-23	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	93	82	56	77	(360) 786-7946
Delvin	R-8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7986
Dickerson	D-36	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100			100	(360) 786-7860
Dyer	R-5	✓	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	✓	✓	—	—	—	E	31	30		31	(360) 786-7852
Ebersole	D-29	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	87	91	89	89	*
Elliot	R-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7928
Fisher, R.	D-27	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100	100	100	100	(360) 786-7930
Fisher, G.	D-33	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	—	✓	✓	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	75	91	89	85	*
Foreman	R-12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	36		18	(360) 786-7832
Fuhrman	R-7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	E	0	0	0	0	(360) 786-7908
Goldsmith	R-42	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7980
Grant	D-16	—	—	✓	—	✓	—	✓	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	28			28	(360) 786-7828
Hankins	R-8	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7882
Hargrove	R-23	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7934
Hatfield	D-19	—	—	✓	—	—	✓	✓	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	28			28	(360) 786-7806

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Representative	LD	1995								1996						% Pro-Conservation				Legislative Phone
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	16	95-96	93-94	92-91	91-96	
Hickel	R-30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7898
Honeyford	R-15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7960
Horn	R-41	—	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	45	33	28	(360) 786-7894
Huff	R-26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7802
Hymes	R-40	—	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7			7	(360) 786-7970
Jacobsen	D-46	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	93	100	89	94	(360) 786-7818
Johnson	R-35	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7966
Keiser	D-33	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	—	83			83	(360) 786-7868
Kessler	D-24	—	—	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	—	—	✓	✓	—	—	—	43	82		63	(360) 786-7904
Koster	R-39	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7816
Kremen	D-42	—	—	—	—	✓	—	✓	—	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	25	73	22	40	*
Lambert	R-45	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7878
Linville	D-42	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	—	✓	✓	—	—	—	33	91		62	(360) 786-7854
Lisk	R-15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	0	0	(360) 786-7874
Mason	D-37	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100			100	(360) 786-7944
Mastin	D-16	—	—	✓	—	✓	—	✓	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	21	45		33	(360) 786-7836
McMahan	R-26	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7964
McMorris	R-7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7988
Mielke	R-6	—	—	—	—	—	—	✓	—	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	12	27	0	13	*
Mitchell	R-30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7830
Morris	D-18	—	—	✓	—	—	—	✓	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	21	70	11	34	(360) 786-7850
Mulliken	R-13	—	—	—	—	—	—	E	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7808
Murray	D-43	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100			100	(360) 786-7826
Ogden	D-49	—	✓	E	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	92	97	78	89	(360) 786-7872
Padden	R-4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0	0	11	4	*
Patterson	D-33	—	✓	✓	—	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	—	71	91		81	(360) 786-7834
Pelesky	R-25	—	—	—	—	—	E	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	E	0			0	(360) 786-7968
Pennington	R-18	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7812
Poulsen	D-34	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	93			93	(360) 786-7938
Quall	D-40	—	—	—	—	✓	—	✓	—	—	✓	✓	—	—	—	28	91		60	(360) 786-7800
Radcliff	R-21	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7972
Reams	R-48	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	7	36		22	(360) 786-7936
Regala	D-27	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100			100	(360) 786-7974
Robertson	R-31	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7846
Romero	D-22	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100	100		100	(360) 786-7940
Rust	D-32	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100	100	100	100	(360) 786-7880
Scheuerman	D-29	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100			100	(360) 786-7996
Schmidt, D.	R-44	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7982
Schmidt, K.	R-23	—	—	—	—	—	—	✓	E	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	20	22	16	(360) 786-7842
Schoesler	R-9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	9		5	(360) 786-7844
Scott	D-38	✓	✓	✓	—	—	—	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	71	91	89	84	(360) 786-7840
Sehlin	R-10	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	40		20	(360) 786-7914
Sheahan	R-9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	13		7	(360) 786-7942
Sheldon	D-35	—	—	—	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7	45	33	28	(360) 786-7902
Sherstad	R-1	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7900
Silver	R-6	—	—	E	—	—	—	—	—	—	E	—	✓	E	—	9	27	14	17	(360) 786-7922
Skinner	R-14	—	—	—	—	—	—	E	—	E	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7810

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Representative	LD	1995								1996								% Pro-Conservation				Legislative Phone
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	11	12	13	14	15	16	95-96	93-94	92-91	91-96			
Smith	R-2	—	—	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	7			7	(360) 786-7912		
Sommers, D.	R-6	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7962		
Sommers, H.	D-36	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100	91	100	97	(360) 786-7814		
Sterk	R-4	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7984		
Stevens	R-39	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	E	—	—	0	0		0	(360) 786-7804		
Talcott	R-28	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	36		18	(360) 786-7890		
Thibaudeau	D-43	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	100	91		96	**		
Thomas, B.	R-5	✓	E	—	—	✓	—	—	—	✓	✓	—	—	—	—	31	20		26	(360) 786-7876		
Thomas, L.	R-31	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7866		
Thompson	R-44	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7892		
Tokuda	D-37	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100			100	(360) 786-7838		
Valle	D-34	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100	91	100	97	(360) 786-7952		
Van Luven	R-48	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	18	11	10	(360) 786-7848		
Veloria	D-11	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100	91		96	(360) 786-7862		
Wolfe	D-22	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	—	93	100		97	(360) 786-7992		

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Senator	LD	1995							1996							Percentage Pro-Conservation				Legislative Phone
		9	10	17	18	19	20	21	95-96	93-94	92-91	91-96								
Anderson, A.	R-42	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	0	27	9	(360) 786-7682							
Bauer	D-49	✓	—	✓	—	—	✓	✓	57	78	36	57	(360) 696-6434							
Cantu	R-41	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	17	9	9	(360) 786-7680							
Deccio	R-14	—	—	—	—	E	—	—	0	11		6	(360) 786-7626							
Drew	D-5	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100	89		95	(206) 392-9777							
Fairley	D-32	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100			100	(206) 368-4636							
Finkbeiner	R-45	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	86			86	(360) 786-7672							
Franklin	D-29	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	86	100	100	95	(360) 786-7656							
Fraser	D-22	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100	100	100	100	(360) 786-7642							
Gaspard	D-25	✓	✓	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	100	89	73	87	*							
Goings	D-25	NA	NA	✓	—	—	✓	✓	60			60	(360) 786-7648							
Hale	R-8	—	—	✓	—	—	✓	✓	43			43	(360) 786-7614							
Hargrove	D-24	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	29	56	22	36	(360) 533-9477							
Haugen	D-10	✓	✓	✓	—	—	✓	✓	71	89	89	83	(360) 786-7618							
Heavey	D-34	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100			100	(360) 786-7667							
Hochstatter	R-13	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	14	0	5	(360) 786-7624							
Johnson	R-47	—	—	E	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7692							
Kohl	D-36	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100			100	(206) 281-5493							

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1995-96 Conservation Scorecard — Senate (Continued)

Senator	LD	1995		1996				% Pro-Conservation				Legislative Phone	
		9	10	17	18	19	20	21	95-96	93-94	92-91		91-96
Long	R-44	✓	—	✓	—	—	✓	✓	57			57	(360) 786-7686
Loveland	D-16	✓	—	✓	—	—	✓	✓	57	63		60	(360) 786-7630
McAuliffe	D-1	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	86	78		82	(360) 786-7600
McCasin	R-4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	17	0	6	(360) 786-7606
McDonald	R-48	✓	—	✓	—	—	—	✓	43	22	27	31	(360) 786-7694
Morton	R-7	—	—	—	—	—	—	✓	14	0	11	8	(360) 786-7612
Moyer	R-3	E	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	33	22	18	(509) 456-5019
Newhouse	R-15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	11	0	4	(360) 786-7684
Oke	R-26	✓	—	✓	—	—	—	✓	43	22	36	34	(206) 851-3442
Owen	D-35	✓	—	✓	—	—	—	✓	43	75	11	43	(360) 786-7668
Palmer	R-18	—	—	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0			0	*
Pelz	D-37	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	100	100	100	100	(206) 389-2199
Prentice	D-11	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	86	100	100	95	(360) 786-7616
Prince	R-9	—	—	✓	—	—	—	—	14	22	0	12	(360) 786-7620
Quigley	D-39	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	86	100		93	(360) 786-7676
Rasmussen	D-2	—	—	✓	—	—	✓	✓	43	78	67	63	(360) 786-7602
Rinehart	D-46	✓	✓	✓	—	A	✓	✓	83	100	100	94	(360) 786-7690
Roach	R-31	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	11	0	4	(360) 786-7660
Schow	R-30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 786-7658
Sellar	R-12	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0	22	11	11	(360) 786-7622
Sheldon	D-23	✓	✓	✓	—	—	✓	✓	71	100		86	(360) 786-7644
Smith	D-33	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	86	89	100	92	(360) 786-7664
Snyder	D-19	✓	—	✓	—	—	✓	✓	57	53	18	43	(360) 786-7636
Spanel	D-40	✓	✓	✓	—	✓	✓	✓	86	75	100	87	(360) 786-7678
Strannigan	R-38	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(206) 339-3870
Sutherland	D-17	✓	✓	✓	—	—	✓	✓	71	89	64	75	(360) 786-7632
Swecker	R-20	✓	—	✓	—	—	—	—	29			29	(360) 786-7638
Thibaudeau	D-43	NA	NA	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	100			100	(206) 545-6517
West	R-6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	14	22	9	15	(509) 456-2998
Winsley	R-28	✓	✓	✓	—	—	✓	✓	71	33	44	49	(360) 786-7654
Wojahn	D-27	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	E	100	89	64	84	(360) 786-7652
Wood	R-21	✓	—	✓	—	—	✓	—	43			43	(360) 786-7640
Zarelli	R-18	NA	NA	—	—	—	—	—	0			0	(360) 577-5414

*no longer in legislature

LEGEND: ✓=Pro-Conservation Vote; E=Excused; A=Absent; NA=Not Applicable

A NOTE ABOUT METHODOLOGY

Voting scorecards have limitations. No matter how hard one works to make a scorecard reflective of a legislator's performance, it can't reflect some important, but less tangible, elements of legislative work such as when a particular vote was difficult for a legislator to make due to their political party affiliation or whether a legislator actively "worked" a bill by helping to build support for its passage. But with carefully chosen votes, a scorecard can give a picture of a legislator's overall performance in an issue area.

The Scorecard is comprised of *important* conservation bills dealing with a *variety* of issues which were *actively lobbied* by the conservation community in the state. Every effort was made to ensure that the range of issues and number of votes paint an accurate picture of legislators' performance on conservation issues.

1996 VOTES

State House

11 SSB 6637 — GMA Hearings Board

Further limited Growth Management Hearings Boards oversight regarding local governments that refuse to comply with the GMA. Would have made it difficult for Boards to issue a "determination of invalidity" for inadequate local growth plans and prevented them from ensuring that GMA planning goals achieve their intended effect. Yeas 69, Nays 29. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." Signed by Governor with partial vetoes.

12 HB 2875 — Puget Sound Water Quality Authority

Terminated the independent Puget Sound Water Quality Authority, replacing it with an interagency "action team" of state and local government officials. The House rejected a floor amendment to continue the existing Authority and its citizen governing board. (Romero Amd. #212) Yeas 40, Nays 55, excused 3. A "yea" is a green vote "✓." House rejected amendment, bill by Signed by Governor.

13 HB 2223 — Takings

Created a new statutory standard for "taking" of private property, requiring governments to pay compensation under a wide range of circumstances where regulations restrict land use. Greatly exceeded established law for determining when a "taking" of property had occurred. Yeas 68, Nays 30. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." Died in Senate Government Operations Committee.

14 HB 2356 — De Novo Review of Shoreline Development Permits

Restricted introduction of new evidence to the state Shoreline Hearings Board when

local jurisdictions had made decisions to grant or deny development permits. Limited state Board review to "clearly erroneous" local decisions, making it much harder to reverse such decisions. Yeas 70, Nays 27, excused 1. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." Died in Senate.

15 SHB 1597 — Flood Control

Required the state to fully fund diking and dredging of rivers for flood control and loosened requirements for removal of gravel from streambeds, threatening salmon habitat. Required local governments to develop flood plain management plans without assistance and without requiring consistency with the Growth Management Act. Prohibited denial of hydraulics permits for diking or dredging where the disturbance is above the mean high water mark. Yeas 70, Nays 27, excused 1. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." Died in Senate.

16 HB 2377 — Pollution Secrecy

Made it extremely difficult for citizens encountering toxic waste and water contamination to bring successful lawsuits against corporations and restricted the ability of state agencies to enforce a range of environmental laws. Yeas 73, Nays 22, excused 3. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." Died in Senate Ecology & Parks Committee.

State Senate

17 SB 6166 — Puget Sound Water Quality Authority Reauthorization

Continued the independent Puget Sound Water Quality Authority with its citizen governing board. Yeas 34, Nays 14, excused 1. A "yea" is a green vote "✓." Died in House Agriculture & Ecology Committee.

18 SSB 6637 — GMA Hearings Board

Further limited Growth Management Hearings Boards oversight regarding local

governments that refuse to comply with the GMA. Would have made it difficult for Boards to issue a "determination of invalidity" for inadequate local growth plans and prevented them from ensuring that GMA planning goals achieve their intended effect. Yeas 41, Nays 8. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." Signed by Governor with partial vetoes.

19 HB 2716 — Exemption from SEPA under NPDES

Exempted Wastewater Discharge Permits under the State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA). The Act helps limit the amount of pollution discharged into Puget Sound and other waters of the state. Disallows citizen's suits against the state for permitting pollution discharges without complete evaluation of adverse environmental impacts. The SEPA process provides for thorough public review, greater public involvement and mitigation of pollution before it begins. Yeas 32, Nays 14, absent 2, excused 1. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." Signed by Governor.

20 SSB 6597 — Reasonable Use Exceptions

An amendment making it mandatory, rather than discretionary, for local city or county governments to grant "reasonable use exceptions" were growth regulations "unreasonably" restricted land use. This would have severely limited a city or county's ability to protect environmentally critical or sensitive areas. (Hargrove Amd. #134) Yeas 21, Nays 28. A "nay" is a green vote "✓." Died in House.

21 SB 6443 — Off Shore Oil Drilling

Permanently banned oil exploration and oil development activities in the state's coastal waters and tidelands. Yeas 32, Nays 16, excused 1. A "yea" is a green vote "✓." Died in the House.



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