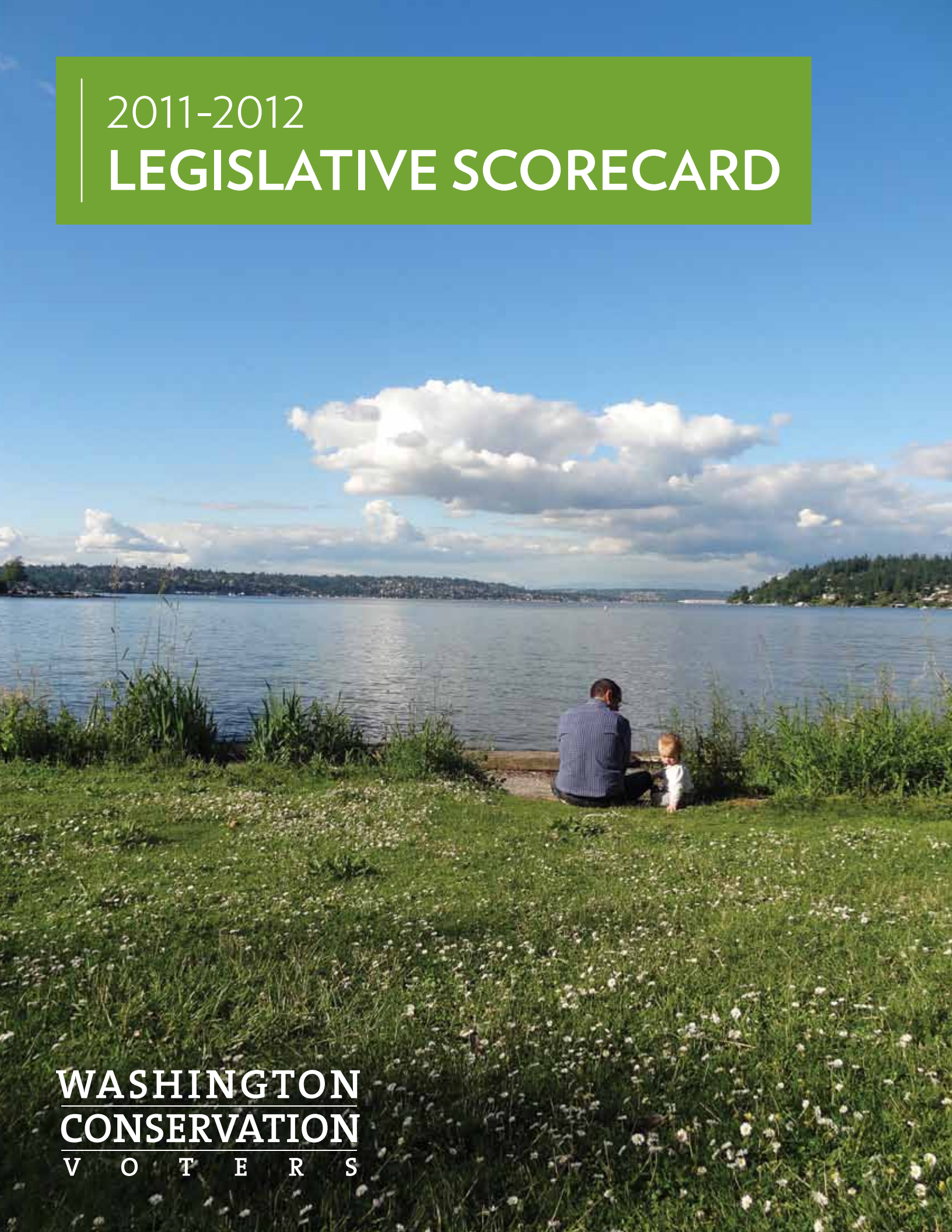


2011-2012

# LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD



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# DEAR SCORECARD READER



Welcome to the 2011-2012 Washington Conservation Voters Scorecard, your trusted guide to environmental politics in Washington. The Scorecard tells the story of the Legislature's record over the past two years, holding individual members accountable for their environmental votes.

Unfortunately we can't record the votes that didn't happen. The past two years have largely been defensive, and we have had to work tirelessly to prevent rollbacks on our most basic environmental protections. WCV helped stop over 75 bad bills from receiving floor votes in 2012. The credit, however, goes to you: citizen activists who have demonstrated their strength in amazing ways over the past two years, providing effective grassroots pressure at critical moments.

We recognize that state budget shortfalls have placed pressure on environmental and natural resource programs, but the lack of progress on issues like Puget Sound restoration and climate change can also be attributed to a troubling lack of bipartisan strength on our issues. If we are ever to succeed on tackling some of our State's hardest-to-solve problems, it will be because of a commitment to problem-solving on both sides of the political aisle.

WCV is committed to ensuring that our shared environmental values are turned into legislative priorities. As a bipartisan organization, we will continue to build strong environmental leaders in both parties, working together to create a strong economy and healthy environment for our state.

Together with Washington Environmental Council, our legislative partner, we will continue to collaborate with the 25 organizations in the Environmental Priorities Coalition to deliver achievements on the issues you care about.

**Len Barson**

*Chair, Board of Directors*

Washington Conservation Voters

# ENVIRONMENTAL COMMUNITY LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

Each year, Washington Conservation Voters helps lead the effort to bring together the environmental community to select a set of three or four legislative Priorities for the session. This common agenda maximizes our resources and provides legislators with a clear roadmap for how we will measure legislative victories. Our electoral expertise and full-time lobbying presence in Olympia help position the Priorities for success and lay the foundation for future policy work. Although we had measurable achievements in 2011 and 2012, we did not see significant movement on a number of key environmental issues. The past two years have largely been defensive, and we have had to work tirelessly to prevent rollbacks on our most basic environmental protections.

## 2011 Priorities

**Clean Fertilizers, Healthier Lakes and Rivers:** We have a responsibility to keep our lakes and rivers clean and healthy for ourselves and our children. When phosphorus in fertilizer washes off of our lawns into lakes, rivers, and Puget Sound, it causes rapid growth of weeds and algae blooms that can harm fish, wildlife, and public health. And it costs taxpayers and businesses millions of dollars to clean up. This bill will manage the sale of phosphorus lawn fertilizers in our state and is a commonsense and cost effective approach to making sure that our lakes and rivers are clean. **PASSED**

**Coal Free Future for Washington:** The outdated TransAlta plant is Washington's only coal-fired power plant, and it is state's largest single source of toxic mercury, air, and climate pollution. The 40 year-old plant burns coal that causes air pollution, pollutes our water, and causes long-term health problems—especially for young children. This bill will transition the plant off of dirty coal and support sustainable economic development in the affected community. **PASSED**

**Budget Solutions for Our Environment:** This priority focused on protecting core environmental protections, continuing investments in parks and preservation, and requiring companies and others to pay their fair share for the services they receive. We worked to strike a balance will protect our public health, economic future, and quality of life in Washington—even in hard times. **SUCCESS**

**Clean Water Jobs Act:** By not passing this bill, the Legislature failed to act on an opportunity to create jobs, clean up our water, and protect our quality of life. The 2011 Clean Water Jobs Act would have addressed Washington's number one water pollution problem, toxic stormwater runoff. The bill provided funding for much needed jobs, employing people to clean up polluted waterways across the state like Puget Sound and the Spokane River. **DID NOT PASS**

## 2012 Priorities

**Pollution Free Prosperity:** Powerful interests were using the recession as an opportunity to attack environmental protections that have been in place for over 60 years. The 2012 session began with over 75 bills threatening to undo some of the most basic laws that protect Washington's environment. Despite significant pressure from industry groups, our state's environmental protections were maintained due to the efforts of legislative champions and significant grassroots pressure from people across Washington. **SUCCESS**

**Fulfill Our Clean Energy Initiative:** Initiative 937, the Clean Energy Initiative voters passed in 2006, requires the state's major electric utilities to gradually increase the amount of new renewable energy serving their customers to 15% by 2020. I-937 is essential to building a vital, job-creating new energy economy and creating a clean, secure, and affordable energy future. This session there was significant pressure to gut this initiative, but the Initiative goals remain intact. The environmental community joined with utilities in support of SB 6414, which gives public utilities a process to determine whether a proposed renewable energy or energy efficiency project is eligible to count toward I-937's targets. **SUCCESS**

**Toxic-Free Kids Act:** After our successful ban of PBDEs, a group of harmful toxic flame retardants, the industry switched to using cancer-causing Tris flame retardants without considering health and environmental impacts. Now our children are exposed to these cancer-causing flame retardants in nursing pillows, car seats, changing pads, and other items. This bill would have banned the use of two cancer-causing Tris flame retardants (TCDEP and TCEP) in children's products and requires makers of children's products that contain bisphenol A (BPA), formaldehyde, or Tris flame retardants to identify safer chemicals or materials for their products. **DID NOT PASS**

# 2011 LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR



## Dave Uptegrove D-33, Des Moines

### *Standing up for Puget Sound*

Every year, Washington Conservation Voters honors one legislator for his or her outstanding leadership during the legislative session. In 2011, WCV's highest environmental honor, Legislator of the Year, went to Representative Dave Uptegrove (D-33, Des Moines).

As Chair of the House Environment Committee, Rep. Uptegrove's commitment to saving Puget Sound, ensuring a balanced transportation system, addressing climate change, and creating a clean energy economy was unparalleled in the Legislature.

Rep. Uptegrove championed the environment in a number of ways during the 2011 Session:

- Rep. Uptegrove led the effort to pass the environmental community Priority bill to responsibly transition Washington's only coal-fired power plant off of coal. This is now a national model of how investing in the transition to a clean-energy future can create jobs and a healthy economy.
- Under Rep. Uptegrove's leadership Clean Fertilizers - Healthier Lakes and Rivers, another 2011 environmental community Priority, was passed and signed into law. The bill manages the sale of phosphorus in yard fertilizer and provides a commonsense and cost-effective approach to keeping our lakes and rivers clean from phosphorous pollution, a particularly large problem in Eastern Washington.
- Rep. Uptegrove worked with diverse stakeholders to ensure I-937, the Citizen's Clean Energy Initiative, was not weakened.
- Rep. Uptegrove helped lead the effort to oppose any transportation fee package that did not have sufficient funding for transit and to clean up toxic runoff pollution. The bill that ultimately passed the House did include these environmental priorities, due in large part to his leadership.
- When big business and certain local governments tried to take advantage of current economic times to roll-back environmental protections, Rep. Dave Uptegrove fended them off in the House Environmental Committee.

During a session where a number of industries directly attacked environmental protections, it was Rep. Dave Uptegrove who most ensured that our future and Washington families were safeguarded from such rollbacks.

# | 2012 LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR

## Zack Hudgins D-11, Tukwila

### *Leadership on the Environment*

For years, Zack Hudgins has stood with Washington Conservation Voters in protecting our air, water, and communities, and this year, we are honoring him by naming him our 2012 Legislator of the Year. For his outstanding leadership during the legislative session, and for his near decade-long history of championing clean air, clean water, and healthy urban communities, we would like to thank him.

During a session where a number of industries directly attacked environmental protections, Rep. Zack Hudgins was positioned to fight those attacks head on. He displayed a deep commitment to defending basic environmental laws, and demonstrated exceptional leadership on several critical issues affecting the environment during the 2012 session, including:

- As chair of a critical budget committee, Rep. Hudgins resisted pressure to gut environmental funding. When special interests tried to take advantage of current economic times to roll-back environmental protections, he helped lead the effort in the House to successfully fend them off.
- He worked to ensure I-937, the Citizen's Clean Energy Initiative, was not weakened.
- He fought to strengthen the Toxic-Free Kids Act, a bill aimed at removing toxic chemicals from the products we use every day.
- When big business and certain local governments tried to take advantage of current economic times to roll-back environmental protections, Rep. Hudgins helped lead the effort in the House to successfully fend them off.

During his nearly ten-years of serving in the legislature, he has sought out and served on the key environmental committees, including a leadership role last biennium as the vice-chair of the environmental health committee. Rep. Hudgins has also been a long-time champion on toxics issues, and has fought hard to address environmental and human health impacts from lead contamination.

Zack Hudgins' constituents in Seattle, Tukwila, Burien, and Renton are lucky to have him fighting for them. The 11th district has some serious environmental problems that need solving like cleaning up the Duwamish River, addressing the problem of rising asthma rates, and creating a new clean energy sector with the next generation of jobs for his district. Representative Hudgins will certainly face these challenges head-on.



# ENVIRONMENTAL VOTERS IN ACTION

As the political voice for the environment, Washington Conservation Voters works year-round to make the environment a top priority for Washington lawmakers. From electing environmental leaders, to advocating for stronger laws, to holding legislators accountable for their votes on key bills - WCV gives you the information you need, when you need it, so you can be an active participant in every step of the democratic process.



During every legislative session, WCV's team of lobbyists and organizers work with legislators, community partners, and our members to pass the Environmental Priorities. In 2012, in partnership with Washington Environmental Council, WCV focused on leading the Pollution Free Prosperity Campaign, playing the leadership role in stopping the rollbacks of bedrock environmental protections. It was a tough legislative session, but we're happy to report that—thanks to the outreach of environmental voters like you – we stopped over 75 anti-environmental bills.

We had historic grassroots action in 2012, including:

- The Campaign sent 16,500 emails from citizens to their legislators asking them to oppose or support bills.
- Over 7,000 voters were contacted by phone about our issues.
- In less than 48 hours, we flooded the legislature with enough calls to put a quick stop to a bill that would have hastened the construction of coal ports along the Washington coast.
- 450 people called their legislators asking them to oppose or support a bill.
- During the four months of the 2012 Legislative Session, volunteers donated over 1000 hours of their time

That's democracy in action! Environmental voters, like you, exercising your right to be heard not just in the weeks before the election, but year-round.

# WINNERS AND LOSERS

## Winners

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**Willing to Take a Stand—On Paper:** Hats off to the 10 Senators and 19 House Members who stood up early in session to declare that they would not support a budget that was put together in exchange for votes on environmental rollbacks.



The letter bravely stated:

*"We will stand strongly against any attempts to undermine [environmental protections] under the guise of reform and simplification. We will not provide our support for a budget that exchanges our environmental protections for votes on the budget or new revenue. We reject the false choice between a healthy environment and a robust economy."*

**Chemical Industry:** The chemical industry's misinformation campaign ruled the day in Olympia. Their arguments against protecting children from cancer-causing chemicals were recently exposed as fraudulent in an investigative report by the Chicago Tribune, but sadly not in time. The Toxic Free Kids priority was never brought up for a vote in the Senate, which meant that the bill died.



**Freshman legislators:** This biennium marked the strongest group of Freshman legislators in recent history. They led on numerous environmental community priority issues over the past two years. Our deep gratitude to these emerging champions: Rep. Joe Fitzgibbon, Rep. Andy Billig, Rep. Laurie Jenkins, Rep. Derek Stanford, Rep. Steve Tharinger, Senator David Frockt, and Senator Steve Litzow.



**Christine Gregoire:** Time and again when we needed her most, Governor Gregoire was there fighting for clean air and clean water. She was a true champion—from defending Initiative 937, preserving a clean energy tax exemption, to advocating for fees to fund environmental laws, to ensuring Puget Sound clean-up continued.



**Oil Lobby:** Once again, the oil industry dodged responsibility and successfully thwarted any efforts in Olympia to fund toxic runoff cleanup and address the fairest and most generally popular way to pay for Puget Sound cleanup: a polluter-pays approach.



## Losers

### Bi-Partisanship:

On matters pertaining to environmental protection and healthy communities, we have never seen a more partisan Legislature. Only 1 Republican, Sen. Steve Litzow-Mercer Island (80%), could be trusted to consistently vote to protect health and the environment. We expect urban and suburban to stand up for the environment and our children's health and will work to improve these scores in particular:



- Rep. Jay Rodne (5th): 25%
- Rep. Glenn Anderson (5th): 25%
- Rep. Hans Zeiger (25th): 33%
- Rep. Bruce Dammeier (25th): 30%
- Rep. Katrina Asay (30th): 40%
- Rep. Mark Hargrove (47th): 20%

### Children's Health:

Big profits won over our children's basic health. The chemical industry and key Senators led the charge to deny parents the right to protect their children from a cancer causing flame retardant.



### Corporate polluters:

A WCV staff member heard in the halls of the capital, one big industry lobbyist say to another, "this bill isn't going to pass, the environmentalists are calling EVERYONE!" Corporate polluters wanted to use the hard economic times to rollback basic environmental laws. Not this time!



# SENATE ENVIRONMENTAL CHAMPIONS

Environmental Champions demonstrate the highest level of commitment to protect our air, land, water, and public health. In 2011-2012 we have chosen to recognize five Senators for their tireless dedication to the advancement of strong environmental policies in the state legislature.

## Sen. Craig Pridemore (D-49)

Once again, Sen. Pridemore was one of the strongest and most vocal leaders in the Senate on matters pertaining to the environment. As Chair of the Government Operations committee, he was responsible for jurisdiction of the Growth Management Act (GMA). Over the past two years, he forged compromises on bills when necessary and killed dozens of others that would have gutted the GMA. He is the chamber's #1 defender of clean energy jobs and preserving I-937, the Clean Energy Initiative, which has been under attack from big utilities and big business during his entire career. Sen. Pridemore is leaving the Senate to pursue new opportunities, but he will be sorely missed by the Washington State environmental community. He is also a former WCV Legislator of the Year.

## Sen. Lisa Brown (D-3)

The Senate is losing a true environmental champion in Sen. Lisa Brown, who is retiring. As Majority Leader over the past two years and during very difficult economic times, she has defended environmental programs in the budget, secured record capital funding for stormwater clean-up, helped lead the effort in passing the environmental community priority phosphorous ban, and fended off attempts to rollback I-937, the Clean Energy Initiative, to name a few of her most notable achievements. Representing Spokane, she has dedicated her career to breaking down East-West divides on environmental matters. In that regard, she may be irreplaceable and we wish her well in her future endeavors.

## Sen. Sharon Nelson (D-34)

Our 2010 Legislator of the Year has dedicated her life's work to leading the fight for a clean and healthy Puget Sound. Sen. Nelson has continued that work in the State Senate as the Chair of the Senate Environment committee. She was instrumental in passing the historic TransAlta coal Priority bill that will accelerate the transition of the state's only coal plant to cleaner sources of energy. She also sponsored the Toxic-Free Kids bill and made it her highest priority over the past two years, a bill we expect to pass next session.

## Sen. Kevin Ranker (D-40)

A rising star in the Senate, Sen. Ranker took over as Chair of the Natural Resources Committee and has matured into one of the chamber's most effective members. He has become a studied expert on natural resource budgets and has been a vigilant protector of toxic cleanup dollars from being raided for other purposes. He is a national leader on marine issues and championed the fight against industry on rolling back environmental protections. He is swiftly climbing the ranks in his caucus with the environment being his number one priority issue.

## Sen. David Frockt (D-46)

Is it possible to have a better start to your legislative career than Sen. David Frockt? In his first two years in Olympia, one in the House and one in the Senate, he has taken on nationally funded industry lobbyists to pass a first in the nation ban of toxic coal tar sealants, has been a passionate defender of I-937, the Clean Energy Initiative, and is one of the Legislature's strongest promoters of the clean energy economy. He has become a superstar on the environment in just two short years.





# HOUSE ENVIRONMENTAL CHAMPIONS

In addition to our Legislators of the Year, these Representatives stand out as Environmental Champions for their commitment to environmental issues. House Environmental Champions demonstrate the highest level of commitment to protecting environmental laws and to tackling the most challenging environmental problems. In 2011-2012 we have chosen to recognize four House members for their outstanding service to the advancement of strong environmental policies in the state legislature.

## Rep. Joe Fitzgibbon (D-34)

Having previously been an aide to environmental champion Sharon Nelson, who he succeeded in the House, Rep. Joe Fitzgibbon has made the environment the cornerstone of his legislative focus just like his mentor. He requested to sit on four critical environmental committees and has thus become the “go to guy” for most everything “green” in Olympia. His passion for preserving the Growth Management Act, promoting transit, tackling climate change, and defending I-937, the Clean Energy Initiative is unparalleled. As the Chamber’s youngest member, he is also its most rising star.

## Rep. Hans Dunshee (D-44)

This former Legislator of the Year has used his Chairmanship of the powerful Capital Budget Committee to fund environmental programs at record amounts, even during the worst economy in a generation. The Capital Budget continues to grow its expenditures for stormwater and Puget Sound cleanup; preserving habitat and green spaces; and protecting toxic cleanup dollars from traditional raids for the General Fund for purposes other than its original intent. All of those programs both create jobs and protect the environment. He personifies the “Blue-Green” movement, is a brilliant legislative tactician who has made Job creation the cornerstone of his career; and for Rep. Hans Dunshee, job creation means building the green economy.

## Rep. Marko Liias (D-21)

Along with our 2011 and 2012 Legislators of the Year and our other two House Champions, Rep. Marko Liias is one of the core group of half a dozen House members who most consistently are willing to hold up their votes if they feel the environment is being shorted at critical times of the legislative process. As the Prime Sponsor in the House of the Coal Free Washington priority, he helped shepherd through the bill to accelerate the closure of the state’s last coal facility, the TransAlta Coal Plant. As Vice Chair of the Transportation Committee, he advocates for transit funding and smart transportation policies that enhance bicycle, pedestrian, transit, and carpool options. As a member of the Technology and Energy Committee, he has been a strong defender of I-937, the Clean Energy Initiative. Another one of the Legislature’s youngest members who has already accomplished more in his short career than anyone could have reasonably imagined.

## Rep. John McCoy (D-38)

Since being named our Legislator of the Year in 2009, this Chair of the House Technology and Energy Committee has continued to be a strong defender of I-937 and policies to promote clean energy. He is dogged in helping lead in the first attacks on bedrock environmental laws, particularly in the area of water and fish policies, and helped lead the charge in the House against rollbacks to stormwater and fish protection laws. He is known to push the environmental community to be even more vigilant in its efforts to fight attacks on environmental protections and we are better for it.



# SENATE GOOD GREEN DEEDS

These Senators have demonstrated their commitment to the environment in an especially critical way on a specific bill or a number of issues.

## Sen. Jim Hargrove (D-24)

While representing rural Washington, Sen. Jim Hargrove has championed one of the most legislatively contentious issues of importance to the environmental community: climate change. No one in the Legislature forms broad coalitions on complex matters more effectively than Jim Hargrove. He has defended clean water protections, supported industry fees to fund environmental programs, and understands best the need to have a strong environmental policy as the backbone of a strong economy. He might not always vote the right way, but when he leads, it's a win for making the Evergreen State greener.

## Sen. Mark Schoesler (R-9)

When Senate Democrats made a push in the budget to rollback one of the few tax credits benefitting non-fossil fuel dependent energy sources --- the tax credit for green renewables --- Sen. Schoesler solidified his Caucus and successfully helped to eliminate that rollback in the final budget. As an Eastern Washington leader, he understands both the environmental and economic benefits of having a strong clean energy policy.

## Sen. Steve Litzow (R-41)

Without a doubt, freshman Senator Steve Litzow is the conscience of his party on environmental issues. Representing a suburban district that cares deeply about clean air and water and a healthy Puget Sound, he has the highest score of anyone in his caucus in either chamber, voting against his caucus on many key votes. His best work might be behind the scenes in forging bi-partisan consensus on environmental matters from protecting marine waters to ensuring toxic cleanup. While we remain committed to working with him on better understanding the needs of transit in our region, he has been a stellar performer for the environment in his short time in the Senate. Caring about clean air and clean water should not be a partisan issue; thank you Sen. Litzow for understanding that.

## Sen. Dan Swecker (R-20)

This "Good Green Deeder" is noted for his work on transportation and leadership on toxics issues. Given that Sen. Swecker represents a district that does not rely heavily on transit, his significant support for finding balanced transportation solutions and seeking funding for transit options is to be lauded. Throughout his career, he has led in the fight to reduce toxins in the environment and was an early and visible supporter of the Toxic Free Kids Act.

## Sen. Christine Rolfes (D-23)

During her time in the House and now in the Senate, Sen. Christine Rolfes has been one of the Legislature's most consistent environmental leaders. As a member of the Senate Environment Committee, she has led on the Toxic Free Kids Act, supported funding for Puget Sound restoration and speedy oil spill response, and has been a leader on finding solutions to stormwater runoff. Although she has only been in the Senate one session, she is already becoming one of the Senate's strongest environmental leaders.

## Sen. Ed Murray (D-43)

As the Senate's chief budget writer, Ways and Means Chair Ed Murray has been a champion for protecting environmental programs in the budget. He has helped lead the fight against efforts by Senators in his own caucus who demanded rollbacks to bedrock environmental laws in exchange for budget votes. He has been one of the institutions strongest defenders of I-937, the Clean Energy Initiative, understanding the economic benefits of the clean energy sector. He has one of the toughest jobs in the Legislature, but nonetheless Sen. Murray is steadfast in his refusal to buy into the false choice of pitting jobs against the environment.

# HOUSE GOOD GREEN DEEDS

These Representatives have demonstrated their commitment to the environment in an especially critical way on a bill or a number of issues.

## Rep. Mary Lou Dickerson (D-36)

The House is losing a great environmental leader to retirement. As Prime Sponsor of the Environmental Priority Toxic-Free Kids Act, Rep. Mary Lou Dickerson was a leader in strengthening the bill in the House and ensuring a final floor vote during the Legislature's 2012 Special Session. She led the effort to take the chemical industry head on to debunk their misinformation campaign and spearheaded the charge to protect children's health from these cancer causing flame retardants. She has been a leader on Puget Sound and climate change, but she has made passing some of the nation's strongest toxics laws a cornerstone of her career. We will miss her and wish her well in her much-deserved retirement.

## Rep. Andy Billig (D-3)

Another Freshman who had a thunderous launch to his legislative career is Rep. Andy Billig, elected from Spokane's 3rd District in 2010. Even before being sworn into office, he sought prime sponsorship of the "Clean Fertilizers-Healthier Lakes and Rivers" Priority bill. The bill manages the sale of phosphorus in yard fertilizer that helps keep our lakes and rivers clean from phosphorous pollution --- a statewide problem, but particularly in the Spokane River. He passed the bill on his first try, after others previously failed in prior sessions, and the law is now a national model. He is also a strong advocate for transit funding and is willing to take on entrenched interests in the transportation arena to fight for transportation choices. Rep. Billig is likely to be moving onto the Senate next year, where he certainly will be positioned to become an environmental champion for years to come.

## Rep. Steve Tharinger (D-24)

Early on in his contested race for the open seat in the 24th District, WCV identified Steve Tharinger as someone who can help bridge the gap between urban and rural districts on the environmental agenda. WCV's confidence in Steve was rewarded. As the Vice Chair of the House Environment Committee, he has been a key broker on a number of issues from the "Coal-Free Washington" Priority to seeking reasonable compromises on I-937, particularly in the area of biomass. He is a smart, studied environmentalist who we consistently seek out as someone who can break down geographical barriers and build support for our green agenda.

## Rep. Ross Hunter (D-48)

For two straight years as the Chair of the Ways and Means Committee, Rep Ross Hunter has worked with our lobby to ensure restoration of budget cuts taken in the Governor's initial budget. He has also dismissed the idea of environmental rollbacks in exchange for budget votes and has continued his interest and support in protecting our children from harmful toxic chemicals. He successfully fought the Senate on its proposal to eliminate the green renewables tax exemption and has been one of the Legislature's strongest supporters of I-937, the Clean Energy Initiative. WCV is well positioned with Ross Hunter in control of the House budget.

## Rep. Kevin Van De Wege (D-24)

As the House Majority Whip, one of its most senior positions, Rep. Kevin Van De Wege has taken on the responsibility to help ensure that the environmental community priorities are addressed by his broader Democratic Caucus. Over the past two years, he has done just that. During the last two sessions where several industries sought rollbacks of environmental laws, he has played a large leadership role behind the scenes to make sure those programs were safeguarded from such rollbacks. He has become a strategic confidant and advisor to the environmental community. Like his two seatmates, he has been committed to ensuring that the environmental agenda receives strong geographical support in the caucus and across party lines. He has emerged as one of the House's smartest and most shining stars.

# SENATE SCORES

## LEGEND

- ✓ Environmental Vote
- ✗ Anti-Environmental Vote
- ex Excused
- Not In Office
- 👍 Support
- 👎 Oppose

District	Party	2011-2012 Score	Lifetime Score	LEGISLATION												
				ESB 5575 Recognizing biomass energy facilities as renewable	E2SSB 5769 Transitioning off coal-fired electric generation (PRIORITY)	ESSB 5457 Congestion reduction charge for transit agencies	HB 1489 Clean Fertilizers, Healthier Lakes and Rivers (PRIORITY)	ESHB 1071 Complete streets grant program	ESHB 1721 Ban on toxic coal tar sealants	ESSB 6582 Local transportation revenue option	SB 6406 Amendment 275 Rollback of environmental protections (good amendment)	SB 6406 Amendment 270 Rollback of environmental protections (good amendment)	SB 6406 Rollback of environmental protections			
WCV Position	Date	Result	Result	👎	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍	👍
				PASS (28-19-0-2)	PASS (36-13-0-0)	PASS (26-23-0-0)	PASS (32-16-0-1)	PASS (29-19-0-1)	PASS (36-12-0-1)	PASS (25-24-0-0)	FAIL (22-26-0-1)	FAIL (21-27-0-1)	PASS (27-21-0-1)			
1	McAuliffe, Rosemary	D	100	93	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
2	Becker, Randi	R	0	18	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
3	Brown, Lisa	D	100	91	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4	Baxter, Jeff	R	0	0	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	■	■	■	■	■	■
4	Padden, Mike	R	25	25	■	■	■	■	■	■	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓
5	Pflug, Cheryl	R	40	43	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
6	Baumgartner, Michael	R	30	30	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
7	Morton, Bob	R	10	15	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
8	Delvin, Jerome	R	0	15	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
9	Schoesler, Mark	R	10	15	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
10	Haugen, Mary Margaret	D	60	73	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗
11	Prentice, Margarita	D	100	90	✓	✓	✓	✓	ex	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
12	Parlette, Linda Evans	R	30	27	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
13	Holmquist Newbry, Janéa	R	10	15	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
14	King, Curtis	R	0	17	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
15	Honeyford, Jim	R	0	8	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
16	Hewitt, Mike	R	22	22	ex	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
17	Benton, Don	R	30	30	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
18	Zarelli, Joseph	R	0	23	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
19	Hatfield, Brian	D	50	49	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
20	Swecker, Dan	R	40	42	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
21	Shin, Paull	D	56	75	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	ex	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗

District	Party	2011-2012 Score	Lifetime Score	ESB 5575 Recognizing biomass energy facilities as renewable	ESB 5769 Transitioning off coal-fired electric generation (PRIORITY)	ESB 5457 Congestion reduction charge for transit agencies	HB 1489 Clean Fertilizers, Healthier Lakes and Rivers (PRIORITY)	ESHB 1071 Complete streets grant program	ESHB 1721 Ban on toxic coal tar sealants	ESSB 6582 Local transportation revenue option	SB 6406 Amendment 275 Rollback of environmental protections (good amendment)	SB 6406 Amendment 270 Rollback of environmental protections (good amendment)	SB 6406 Rollback of environmental protections
22	Fraser, Karen	D	100	95	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
23	Rockefeller, Phil	D	100	86	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	■	■	■	■
23	Rolfes, Christine	D	100	98*	■	■	■	■	■	✓	✓	✓	✓
24	Hargrove, James	D	60	54	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
25	Kastama, Jim	D	60	77	ex	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
26	Kilmer, Derek	D	80	82	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓
27	Regala, Debbie	D	100	92	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
28	Carrell, Mike	R	0	20	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
29	Conway, Steve	D	90	90	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
30	Eide, Tracey	D	80	88	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
31	Roach, Pam	R	10	25	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
32	Chase, Maralyn	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
33	Keiser, Karen	D	100	91	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
34	Nelson, Sharon	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
35	Sheldon, Tim	D	30	33	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
36	Kohl-Welles, Jeanne	D	100	97	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
37	Kline, Adam	D	100	97	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
38	Harper, Nick	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	ex	ex	ex
39	Stevens, Val	R	0	12	✗	✗	✗	ex	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
40	Ranker, Kevin	D	100	95	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
41	Litzow, Steve	R	80	80	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
42	Ericksen, Doug	R	0	0	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
43	Murray, Ed	D	100	94	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
44	Hobbs, Steve	D	60	72	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
45	Hill, Andy	R	50	50	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗
46	Froct, David	D	100	100	■	■	■	■	■	✓	✓	✓	✓
46	White, Scott	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	■	■	■	■
47	Fain, Joe	R	50	50	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗
48	Tom, Rodney	D	80	74	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
49	Pridemore, Craig	D	90	95	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

\*This score includes 2011 House Score and 2012 Senate Score

# SENATE BILL DESCRIPTIONS

## ESB5575

Recognizing certain biomass energy facilities as an eligible renewable resource

3/3/2011 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **OPPOSE**

This bill significantly undermines the purpose of I-937 (which is to add NEW clean energy resources to Washington's energy portfolio) because the bill would allow existing (pre-1999) biomass plants to count as qualifying renewable resources. If more existing resources are grandfathered into I-937 then fewer new clean energy resources will be developed in Washington, along with fewer new jobs and reduced economic activity.

Yea:28, Nay:19, Excused:0, Absent:2

Outcome: Passed the Senate and died in the House

## E2SSB5769

Regarding coal-fired electric generation facilities

3/5/2011 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT** 2011 PRIORITY

The outdated TransAlta plant is Washington's only coal-fired power plant, and it is the state's largest single source of toxic mercury, air, and climate pollution. With the passage of this bill, the TransAlta coal plant will cut its nitrogen oxide emissions in 2013 and permanently shut its two boilers in 2020 and 2025. The bill is supported by TransAlta, labor, the Governor, and environmental groups. The bill also assures that in transitioning away from coal, TransAlta is committed to make substantial contributions to economic development and energy efficiency in Lewis County.

Yea:36, Nay:13, Excused:0, Absent:0

Outcome: Passed the Senate and House and was signed by the Governor

## ESSB5457

Providing a congestion reduction charge to fund the operational and capital needs of transit agencies

3/7/2011 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT**

Transit service faces a funding crisis in Washington State. Plummeting sales tax revenue is forcing transit agencies to slash service despite record-setting ridership. This bill preserves jobs, reduces congestion, and protects the environment by authorizing King County to impose a temporary congestion reduction charge to provide emergency funding for our critical transit service.

Yea:26, Nay:23, Excused:0, Absent:0

Outcome: Passed the Senate and the House and was signed by the Governor

## HB1489

Clean Fertilizers, Healthy Lakes & Rivers (Limiting the use of fertilizer containing phosphorus.)

3/25/2011 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT** 2011 PRIORITY

Phosphorous from residential lawn fertilizers is a major water quality pollutant that if not managed could require local governments to spend millions on wastewater treatment plant upgrades. When phosphorus in fertilizer washes off of our lawns into lakes, rivers, and Puget Sound, it causes rapid growth of weeds and algae blooms that can harm fish, wildlife and public health. And it costs taxpayers and businesses millions of dollars to clean up. This bill will manage the sale of lawn fertilizers containing phosphorus.

Yea:32, Nay:16, Excused:0, Absent:1

Outcome: Passed the Senate and the House and was signed by the Governor

## ESHB1071

Creating a complete streets grant program

3/25/2011 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT**

This legislation would position Washington strongly to compete for future federal funds designated for Complete Streets. Rather than applying a cookie cutter design to every corridor, planners work with communities to develop project that are appropriate for various functions of the roadway. The result is a streetscape that is safer and more accessible for all users that promotes livable communities.

Yea:29, Nay:19, Excused:0, Absent:1

Outcome: Passed the Senate and the House and was signed by the Governor



### ESHB1721

Preventing stormwater pollution from coal tar sealants

#### 4/6/2011 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT**

This bill is a meaningful step forward to preventing stormwater pollution at no cost to the state. By stopping the use of coal tar sealcoating on our playgrounds and parking lots, we can eliminate a source of toxins in our water and in our homes. Cost-effective alternatives are available and already widely used in the state, so there were no Washington-based businesses opposed to this bill.

**Yea:36, Nay:12, Excused:0, Absent:1**

**Outcome:** Passed the Senate and the House and was signed by the Governor

### ESSB6582

Concerning local transportation revenue options.

#### 2/13/2012 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **APPROVE**

Current local transit funding sources are too limited to meet transit ridership needs and too volatile to withstand economic changes. Washingtonians need more diverse and robust local transit investment options to preserve and enhance transit service across the state. This bill will give local governments and transit agencies more local options for funding bus service and local transportation needs.

**Yea:25, Nay:24, Excused:0, Absent:0**

**Outcome:** Passed the Senate and House, but bill ultimately died

### SSB6406, AMENDMENT 275

Modifying programs that provide for the protection of the state's natural resources

#### 3/5/2012 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT** 2012 PRIORITY

(Amendment sought to restore environmental protections)

SB 6406 is several bad proposals merged into one giant bill. This bill would have gutted the Growth Management Act, weaken the State Environmental Policy Act, and reduce the state's ability to effectively manage forests and marine resources. SB 6406 also sought to delay stormwater requirements that prevent toxic runoff from entering Puget Sound and waterways across the state.

**Yea:22, Nay:26, Excused:0, Absent:1**

**Outcome:** Amendment Failed

### SSB6406, AMENDMENT 270

Modifying programs that provide for the protection of the state's natural resources

#### 3/5/2012 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT** 2012 PRIORITY

(Amendment sought to restore environmental protections)

SSB 6406 would illuminate key functions of the Growth Management Act by eliminating meaningful public participation and remove its enforcement provisions. This would substantially increase sprawl in our communities. This amendment sponsored by Senator Craig Pridemore would have removed part 3 of the bill, the portion that included the rollbacks to the Growth Management Act and State Environmental Policy Act.

**Yea:21, Nay:27, Excused:0, Absent:1**

**Outcome:** Amendment Failed

### SSB6406

Modifying programs that provide for the protection of the state's natural resources

#### 3/5/2012 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **OPPOSE** 2012 PRIORITY

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**Yea:27, Nay:21, Excused:0, Absent:1**

**Outcome:** Passed the Senate and died in the House. During Special Session, a different and compromised version of the bill, not opposed by the environmental community, passed the Senate and the House and was signed by the Governor.

# HOUSE SCORES

**LEGEND**

- ✔ Environmental Vote
- ✘ Anti-Environmental Vote
- ex Excused
- Not In Office
- 👍 Support
- 👎 Oppose

District	WCV Position	Party	2011-2012 Score	Lifetime Score	SHB 1721 Ban on toxic coal tar sealants	HB 1071 Complete Streets	HB 1489 Clean Fertilizers, Healthier Lakes and Rivers (PRIORITY)	HB 1094 Making aspects of Growth Management Act voluntary	E2SSB 5769 Transitioning off coal-fired electric generation (PRIORITY)	ESSB 5457 Congestion reduction charge for transit agencies	HB 2053 Transportation funding	ESSB 6582 Local Transportation Revenue Options	EHB 2821 Toxic-Free Kids (PRIORITY) A weakening amendment	EHB 2821 Toxic-Free Kids (PRIORITY)
	Date				👍	👍	👍	👎	👍	👍	👍	👍	👎	👍
					PASS (67-30-0-1)	PASS (56-41-0-1)	PASS (58-39-0-1)	PASS (69-28-0-1)	PASS (87-9-0-1)	PASS (51-46-0-0)	PASS (53-43-0-2)	PASS (53-43-0-2)	FAIL (46-48-0-4)	PASS (60-34-0-4)
1	Moscoso, Luis	D	100	100	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
1	Stanford, Derek	D	90	90	✔	✔	✔	✘	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
2	McCune, Jim	R	22	22	✔	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	ex	✘	✘	✘
2	Wilcox, J.T.	R	10	10	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
3	Billig, Andy	D	100	100	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
3	Ormsby, Timm	D	100	97	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
4	Crouse, Larry	R	11	13	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	ex	✘	✘	✘
4	Shea, Matt	R	0	6	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
5	Anderson, Glenn	R	25	49	✘	✘	✔	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	ex	ex
5	Rodne, Jay	R	25	47	✔	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	ex	ex
6	Ahern, John	R	0	0	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘	ex	✘	✘
6	Parker, Kevin	R	20	21	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔
7	Kretz, Joel	R	10	9	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
7	Short, Shelly	R	10	11	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
8	Haler, Larry	R	10	18	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
8	Klippert, Brad	R	11	11	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	ex	✘	✘
9	Fagan, Susan	R	10	13	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
9	Schmick, Joe	R	10	15	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
10	Bailey, Barbara	R	30	34	✔	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔
10	Smith, Norma	R	30	31	✔	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔
11	Hasegawa, Bob	D	100	96	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔
11	Hudgins, Zack	D	90	94	✔	✔	✔	✔	✔	✘	✔	✔	✔	✔
12	Armstrong, Mike	R	10	13	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
12	Condotta, Cary	R	14	13	ex	ex	ex	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
13	Hinkle, Bill	R	25	17	✔	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	ex	ex
13	Warnick, Judy	R	20	16	✔	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
14	Johnson, Norm	R	10	11	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
14	Ross, Charles	R	20	22	✔	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
15	Chandler, Bruce	R	10	16	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
15	Taylor, David	R	10	11	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
16	Nealey, Terry	R	10	13	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✘
16	Walsh, Maureen	R	20	30	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔	✘	✘	✘	✘	✔

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17	Harris, Paul	R	10	10	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓
17	Probst, Tim	D	60	47	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓
18	Orcutt, Ed	R	0	13	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
18	Rivers, Ann	R	10	10	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
19	Blake, Brian	D	60	66	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
19	Takko, Dean	D	70	81	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
20	Alexander, Gary	R	11	19	✗	✗	✗	ex	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
20	DeBolt, Richard	R	0	17	✗	✗	✗	✗	ex	✗	✗	✗	✗
21	Liias, Marko	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
21	Roberts, Mary Helen	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
22	Hunt, Sam	D	100	97	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
22	Reykdal, Chris	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
23	Appleton, Sherry	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
23	Hansen, Drew	D	100	100	■	■	■	■	■	■	■	✓	✓
23	Rolfes, Christine	D	86	98*	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	■	■	■
24	Tharinger, Steve	D	90	90	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
24	Van De Wege, Kevin	D	90	91	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
25	Dammeier, Bruce	R	30	21	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓
25	Zeiger, Hans	R	33	33	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓
26	Angel, Jan	R	10	11	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
26	Sequist, Larry	D	75	84	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	ex	ex
27	Darneille, Jeannie	D	100	97	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
27	Jinkins, Laurie	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
28	Green, Tami	D	100	90	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
28	Kelley, Troy	D	60	59	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓
29	Kirby, Steve	D	80	85	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
29	Ladenburg, Connie	D	90	90	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
30	Asay, Katrina	R	40	40	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓
30	Miloscia, Mark	D	90	82	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
31	Dahlquist, Cathy	R	10	10	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
31	Hurst, Christopher	D	50	68	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
32	Kagi, Ruth	D	90	94	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
32	Ryu, Cindy	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
33	Orwall, Tina	D	90	95	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
33	Upthegrove, Dave	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
34	Cody, Eileen	D	100	93	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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**LEGEND**

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34	Fitzgibbon, Joe	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
35	Finn, Fred	D	100	89	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
35	Haigh, Kathy	D	90	83	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
36	Carlyle, Reuven	D	100	94	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
36	Dickerson, Mary Lou	D	80	96	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
37	Pettigrew, Eric	D	90	96	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
37	Santos, Sharon Tomiko	D	70	82	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
38	McCoy, John	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
38	Sells, Mike	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
39	Kristiansen, Dan	R	0	8	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
39	Pearson, Kirk	R	0	11	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
40	Lytton, Kristine	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
40	Morris, Jeff	D	80	79	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓
41	Clibborn, Judy	D	90	91	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
41	Maxwell, Marcie	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
42	Buys, Vincent	R	0	0	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
42	Overstreet, Jason	R	0	0	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
43	Chopp, Frank	D	90	89	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
43	Pedersen, Jamie	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
44	Dunshee, Hans	D	100	96	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
44	Hope, Mike	R	30	21	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
45	Goodman, Roger	D	100	96	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
45	Springer, Larry	D	90	90	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
46	Frockt, David	D	100	100	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Not In Office	Not In Office	Not In Office
46	Kenney, Phyllis Gutierrez	D	100	93	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
46	Pollet, Gerry	D	100	100	Not In Office	Not In Office	Not In Office	Not In Office	Not In Office	Not In Office	✓	✓	✓
47	Hargrove, Mark	R	20	20	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓
47	Sullivan, Pat	D	90	96	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
48	Eddy, Deb	D	90	97	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
48	Hunter, Ross	D	90	94	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
49	Jacks, Jim	D	75	92	✓	✓	✓	✗	Not In Office	Not In Office	Not In Office	Not In Office	Not In Office
49	Moeller, Jim	D	90	94	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
49	Wylie, Sharon	D	75	75	Not In Office	Not In Office	Not In Office	Not In Office	Not In Office	✗	✓	✓	✓



# HOUSE BILL DESCRIPTIONS

## ESHB1721

Preventing stormwater pollution from coal tar sealants

2/28/2011 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT**

This bill was a meaningful step forward in preventing stormwater pollution at no cost to the state. By stopping the use of coal tar seal coating on our playgrounds and parking lots, we eliminated a source of toxins in our water and in our homes. Cost-effective alternatives are available and already widely used in the state, so there were no Washington-based businesses opposed to this bill.

Yea:67, Nay:30, Excused:0, Absent:1

Outcome: Passed the House and Senate and was signed by the Governor

## HB1071

Creating a complete streets grant program

2/28/2011 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT**

This legislation positioned Washington to compete for future federal funds designated for Complete Streets. Rather than applying a cookie cutter design to every corridor, planners will work with communities to develop project that are appropriate for various functions of the roadway. The result will be a streetscape that is safer and more accessible for all users and that promotes livable communities for everyone.

Yea:56, Nay:41, Excused:0, Absent:1

Outcome: Passed the House and Senate and was signed by the Governor

## HB1489

Limiting the use of fertilizer containing phosphorus

2/28/2011 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT** 2011 PRIORITY

Phosphorous from residential lawn fertilizers is a major water quality pollutant that if not managed could require local governments to spend millions on wastewater treatment plant upgrades. When phosphorus in fertilizer washes off of our lawns into lakes, rivers, and Puget Sound, it causes rapid growth of weeds and algae blooms that can harm fish, wildlife and public health. And it costs taxpayers and businesses millions of dollars to clean up. This bill will manage the sale of lawn fertilizers containing phosphorus.

Yea:58, Nay:39, Excused:0, Absent:1

Outcome: Passed the House and Senate and was signed by the Governor

## E2SSB5769

Regarding coal-fired electric generation facilities

4/11/2011 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT** 2011 PRIORITY

The outdated TransAlta plant is Washington's only coal-fired power plant, and it is state's largest single source of toxic mercury, air, and climate pollution. With the passage of this bill, the TransAlta coal plant will cut its nitrogen oxide emissions in 2013 and permanently shut its two boilers in 2020 and 2025. The bill is supported by TransAlta, labor, the Governor, and environmental groups. The bill also assures that in transitioning away from coal, TransAlta is committed to make substantial contributions to economic development and energy efficiency in Lewis County.

Yea:87, Nay:9, Excused:0, Absent:1

Outcome: Passed the House and Senate and was signed by the Governor

## ESSB5457

Providing a congestion reduction charge to fund the operational and capital needs of transit agencies

4/12/2011 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT**

Transit service faces a funding crisis in Washington State. Plummeting sales tax revenue is forcing transit agencies to slash service despite record-setting ridership. This bill preserves jobs, reduces congestion, and protects the environment by authorizing King County to impose a temporary congestion reduction charge to provide emergency funding for our critical transit service.

Yea:51, Nay:46, Excused:0, Absent:0

Outcome: Passed the House and Senate and was signed by the Governor

## HB2053

Concerning additive transportation funding

5/25/2011 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT**

A transportation package can grow our economy by investing in our existing transportation system, creating more transit and multimodal choices, and building sustainable communities. Any transportation package needs to balance the needs of the entire transportation system. We urged House members to reject a proposed strike that fully eliminates all funding for local governments and WSDOT to implement stormwater projects to protect our waterways. It also sought to reduce funding for Safe Routes to School projects by 75% (this funding provides safety projects to improve walking conditions around neighborhood schools.) An included amendment, from Rep. Marko Liias, sought to restore a small portion of these dollars to strike a better balance.

Yea:53, Nay:43, Excused:0, Absent:2

Outcome: Passed the House and died in the Senate

## ESSB6582

Concerning local transportation revenue options

3/3/2012 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT**

Current local transit funding sources are too limited to meet transit ridership needs and too volatile to withstand economic changes. Washingtonians need more diverse and robust local transit investment options to preserve and enhance transit service across the state. This bill will give local governments and transit agencies more local options for funding bus service and local transportation needs.

Yea:53, Nay:43, Excused:0, Absent:2

Outcome: Passed the House and Senate, but bill ultimately died.

## HB1094

Providing a process for county legislative authorities to withdraw from voluntary planning under the growth management act

3/4/2012 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **OPPOSE** 2012 PRIORITY: POLLUTION-FREE PROSPERITY

There have been two statewide initiatives to effectively repeal the Growth Management Act (GMA), both failed with nearly 60% of Washingtonians rejecting the idea. Washingtonians want to protect their quality of the life and know that the GMA does just that. GMA is one of the most effective and comprehensive environmental laws our state has ever passed. This bill would have allowed four counties to opt-out and would have enabled some very negative on-the-ground consequences in those counties.

Yea:69, Nay:28, Excused:0, Absent:1

Outcome: Passed the House and died in the Senate

## ESHB2821

Concerning children's safe products (a.k.a. the Toxic-Free Kids Act)

4/6/2012 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **OPPOSE**

Environmental community opposed amendment that would have further weakened the bill 2012 PRIORITY

Washington lawmakers have a strong record of protecting the state's youngest residents from toxic chemicals in products for infants and children. This bill would have banned the use of two cancer-causing Tris flame retardants (TCDPP and TCEP) in children's products and required makers of children's products that contain bisphenol A (BPA), formaldehyde, or Tris flame retardants to identify safer chemicals or materials for their products. We asked legislators to oppose amendments to weaken the bill.

Yea:46, Nay:48, Excused:0, Absent:4

Outcome: Amendment Failed

## EHB2821

Concerning children's safe products (a.k.a. the Toxic-Free Kids Act)

4/6/2012 • ENVIRONMENTAL POSITION: **SUPPORT** 2012 PRIORITY

After our successful ban of PBDEs, a group of harmful toxic flame retardants, the industry switched to using cancer-causing Tris flame retardants without considering health and environmental impacts. Now our children are exposed to these cancer-causing flame retardants in nursing pillows, car seats, changing pads, and other items. This bill would have banned the use of two cancer-causing Tris flame retardants (TCDPP and TCEP) in children's products and requires makers of children's products that contain bisphenol A (BPA), formaldehyde, or Tris flame retardants to identify safer chemicals or materials for their products.

Yea:60, Nay:34, Excused:0, Absent:4

Outcome: Passed the House and died in the Senate



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