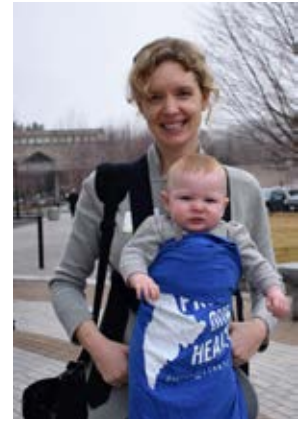




Maine Conservation Voters
2018 Environmental Scorecard
for Members of the 128th Maine Legislature



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LePage
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Maine Conservation Voters

Maine Conservation Voters plays a critical role in turning public support for conservation into new laws to protect our air, land, water and wildlife. As a result of successful campaign strategies, a focused policy agenda, and sharp accountability tools, we are building Maine's environmental movement into a powerful political force.

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Clockwise from top:

Over 60 people from across the state came to Augusta to participate in Conservation Lobby Day.

Eliza Donoghue and baby Georgia at MCV's third annual Conservation Lobby Day at the State House.

MCV staff and friends lobby on climate, public lands and immigration in D.C.

MCV Political Director Beth Ahearn energizes the crowd.

MCV staff at the State House for a Clean Water Rally.

Welcome

Dear Friend of Maine's Environment,

The final year of Maine's most anti-environmental governor - ever - has arrived. The moment he entered office, Governor Paul LePage slammed the state's forward-looking environmental policies into reverse and has had his foot on the gas ever since.

From land conservation to clean energy, the history of the LePage Administration will be one of missed opportunities, bitter policy battles, and the needless polarization of environmental issues that have always been embraced by lawmakers on both sides of the aisle in Augusta.

Protecting Maine's land, water, and wildlife is not a partisan issue, however, proven each time the governor tried to weaken hard-won environmental safeguards. Thanks to thousands of committed Mainers like you, the damage to our environment has been contained. You stood up and raised your voice when it mattered the most.

Over the past eight years, Mainers from every corner of the state flooded the legislature with calls and emails, poured into hearing rooms and city halls, and canvassed neighborhoods near and far. **Thank you.**

The 128th Maine Legislature is a continuation of the same theme. We fought back attacks on clean cars, renewable energy, toxics and wildlife. We made modest progress on food waste and climate change. But we were again thwarted by Governor LePage and a razor thin margin of Republicans in the House to advance solar power, which would cut pollution and bring new jobs in the clean energy sector to our state.

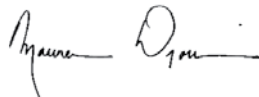
A big part of our job here at Maine Conservation Voters is to shine a light on the workings of the legislature. Our scorecard, along with an easy way to contact your legislators, is available online at www.maineconservation.org/scores.

In 2019, we'll have a new Legislature with new possibilities. Maine Conservation Voters will be at the State House, working with the 129th Legislature every day. We hope you'll join us, online and in person, as the most important environmental debates and votes come up over the next two years.


Thank you for taking time today to read the Scorecard. We hope you will take note of the legislators who championed our environment. They deserve our gratitude. Those who did not need to be taken to task for their votes. We need to keep the pressure on policymakers who still don't understand the importance of clean air, water and land to Mainers and our way of life.

Here's to the future,




Maureen Drouin
Executive Director




Jennifer Burns Gray
Board President

2018 Senate Scorecard

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DISTRICT		128 th Session Score	Lifetime Score	Mining	Flame Retardants	Solar	Public Lands	Arsenic	MUBEC	Nips	Solar	EV
				LD 820	LD 182	LD 1504	LD 586	LD 454	LD 1392	LD 56	LD 1444	LD 1806
14	Bellows (D - KENNEBEC)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
20	Brakey (R - ANDROSCOGGIN)	33%	31%	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✓
25	Breen (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
2	Carpenter (D - AROOSTOOK)	100%	79%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	E	✓
24	Carson (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
31	Chenette (D - YORK)	100%	93%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
27	Chipman (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	98%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
34	Collins (R - YORK)	78%	34%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
10	Cushing (R - PENOBSCOT)	38%	28%	✓	✓	✗	E	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
16	Cyrway (R - KENNEBEC)	67%	62%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓
4	Davis (R - PISCATAQUIS)	67%	32%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
32	Deschambault (D - YORK)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26	Diamond (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	89%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
5	Dill (D - PENOBSCOT)	100%	88%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	E	✓
28	Dion (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	78%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	E
13	Dow (R - LINCOLN)	100%	64%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
9	Gratwick (D - PENOBSCOT)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
19	Hamper (R - OXFORD)	44%	36%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
35	Hill (D - YORK)	88%	96%	✓	✓	✓	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗
1	Jackson (D - AROOSTOOK)	100%	72%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
15	Katz (R - KENNEBEC)	78%	65%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
18	Keim (R - OXFORD)	78%	78%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
7	Langley (R - HANCOCK)	75%	57%	✓	E	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
21	Libby (D - ANDROSCOGGIN)	89%	96%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
6	Maker (R - WASHINGTON)	75%	50%	✓	✓	✓	E	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
22	Mason (R - ANDROSCOGGIN)	44%	29%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
29	Millett (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	94%	✓	✓	✓	E	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
12	Miramant (D - KNOX)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
8	Rosen (R - HANCOCK)	78%	50%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
17	Saviello (R - FRANKLIN)	89%	64%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓
11	Thibodeau (R - WALDO)	56%	34%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗
23	Vitelli (D - SAGADAHOC)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
30	Volk (R - CUMBERLAND)	71%	50%	✓	E	E	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗
3	Whittemore (R - SOMERSET)	50%	40%	✓	E	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
33	Woodsome (R - YORK)	78%	75%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗

2018 House Scorecard

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DISTRICT		128 th Session Score	Lifetime Score	Mining LD 820	Flame Retardants LD 182	Solar LD 1504	Public Lands LD 586	Arsenic LD 454	MUBEC ^c LD 1392	Nips LD 56	Solar 1444
82	Ackley (C - MONMOUTH)	88%	88%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
138	Alley (D - BEALS)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
107	Austin (D - SKOWHEGAN)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
67	Austin (R - GRAY)	38%	36%	✓	✓	✗	A	✗	✗	✓	✗
8	Babbidge (D - KENNEBUNK)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
14	Bailey (D - SACO)	88%	88%	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
35	Bates (D - WESTBROOK)	88%	89%	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
33	Battle (I - SOUTH PORTLAND)	88%	72%	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
93	Beebe-Center (D - ROCKLAND)	88%	94%	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
55	Berry (D - BOWDOINHAM)	100%	98%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
63	Bickford (R - AUBURN)	63%	37%	✓	✓	✓	A	✗	✓	✓	A
114	Black (R - WILTON)	100%	65%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3	Blume (D - YORK)	88%	94%	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓
80	Bradstreet (R - VASSALBORO)	50%	50%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗
61	Brooks (D - LEWISTON)	100%	95%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
24	Bryant (D - WINDHAM)	100%	93%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
130	Campbell (R - ORRINGTON)	38%	16%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗
127	Cardone (D - BANGOR)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
94	Casás (I - ROCKPORT)	88%	88%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
68	Cebra (R - NAPLES)	50%	37%	✓	✓	✗	A	✓	✗	✓	A
46	Chace (R - DURHAM)	50%	42%	✓	A	A	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓
133	Chapman (G - BROOKSVILLE)	88%	91%	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
42	Collings (D - PORTLAND)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
47	Cooper (D - YARMOUTH)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
25	Corey (R - WINDHAM)	100%	89%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
128	Craig (R - BREWER)	38%	38%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗
49	Daughtry (D - BRUNSWICK)	100%	96%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
52	DeChant (D - BATH)	88%	96%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓
45	Denno (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
90	Devin (D - NEWCASTLE)	100%	96%	E	E	E	E	✓	E	E	✓
72	Dillingham (R - OXFORD)	63%	43%	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✗	✓	✗
85	Doore (D - AUGUSTA)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
121	Duchesne (D - HUDSON)	100%	94%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
122	Dunphy (D - OLD TOWN)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
65	Espling (R - NEW GLOUCESTER)	0%	31%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
37	Farnsworth (D - PORTLAND)	100%	86%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

2018 House Scorecard (continued)

		128 th Session Score	Lifetime Score	Mining	Flame Retardants	Solar	Public Lands	Arsenic	MUBEC	Nips	Solar
DISTRICT				LD 820	LD 182	LD 1504	LD 586	LD 454	LD 1392	LD 56	1444
111	Farrin (R - NORRIDGEWOCK)	63%	48%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗
66	Fay (D - RAYMOND)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
11	Fecteau (D - BIDDEFORD)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
7	Foley (R - WELLS)	75%	66%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓
100	Fredette (R - NEWPORT)	0%	20%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
124	Frey (D - BANGOR)	100%	96%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
59	Fuller (D - LEWISTON)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
34	Gattine (D - WESTBROOK)	100%	96%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
20	Gerrish (R - LEBANON)	38%	36%	▲	✓	✗	▲	✓	✗	✓	✗
48	Gideon (D - FREEPORT)	88%	96%	✓	✓	✓	✓	▲	✓	✓	✓
98	Gillway (R - SEARSPORT)	63%	42%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓
69	Ginzler (R - BRIDGTON)	38%	36%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗
60	Golden (D - LEWISTON)	63%	82%	✓	▲	▲	✓	✓	✓	▲	✓
83	Grant (D - GARDINER)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
118	Grignon (R - ATHENS)	38%	38%	▲	✓	✗	✗	▲	✓	✓	✗
12	Grohman (I - BIDDEFORD)	88%	94%	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
102	Guerin (R - GLENBURN)	25%	23%	✓	▲	▲	✗	✓	✗	✗	▲
101	Haggan (R - HAMPDEN)	25%	25%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
32	Hamann (D - SOUTH PORTLAND)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
58	Handy (D - LEWISTON)	100%	91%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
142	Hanington (R - LINCOLN)	25%	29%	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗
87	Hanley (R - PITTSTON)	25%	24%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
36	Harlow (I - PORTLAND)	88%	91%	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
19	Harrington (R - SANFORD)	63%	57%	✓	✓	✓	▲	✓	✗	✓	✗
113	Harvell (R - FARMINGTON)	50%	38%	✓	▲	▲	✓	✓	✗	✓	▲
89	Hawke (R - BOOTHBAY HARBOR)	13%	23%	▲	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
117	Head (R - BETHEL)	13%	18%	▲	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
97	Herbig (D - BELFAST)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
73	Herrick (R - PARIS)	88%	61%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
81	Hickman (D - WINTHROP)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
120	Higgins (I - DOVER-FOXCROFT)	100%	84%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
76	Hilliard (R - BELGRADE)	63%	54%	✓	▲	▲	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
13	Hogan (D - OLD ORCHARD BEACH)	100%	88%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
135	Hubbell (D - BAR HARBOR)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
4	Hymanson (D - YORK)	75%	88%	✓	▲	▲	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
145	Johansen (R - MONTICELLO)	13%	13%	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
41	Jorgensen (D - PORTLAND)	75%	92%	✓	▲	▲	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
22	Kinney (R - LIMINGTON)	38%	47%	✓	✓	✗	▲	✓	✗	✗	✗

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DISTRICT				Mining LD 820	Flame Retardants LD 182	Solar LD 1504	Public Lands LD 586	Arsenic LD 454	MUBEC LD 1392	Nips LD 56	Solar 1444			
99	Kinney (R - KNOX)	88%	66%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓			
125	Kornfield (D - BANGOR)	100%	97%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
134	Kumiega (D - DEER ISLE)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
2	Lawrence (D - ELIOT)	75%	86%	✓	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
137	Lockman (R - AMHERST)	13%	19%	✓	✗	✗	A	✗	A	A	✗			
109	Longstaff (D - WATERVILLE)	88%	97%	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
132	Luchini (D - ELLSWORTH)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
129	Lyford (R - EDDINGTON)	25%	24%	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗			
110	Madigan (D - WATERVILLE)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
115	Madigan (D - RUMFORD)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
136	Malaby (R - HANCOCK)	25%	23%	A	✓	✗	✗	A	✗	✓	✗			
16	Marean (R - HOLLIS)	63%	57%	✓	✓	✓	A	A	✗	✓	✓			
151	Martin (D - EAGLE LAKE)	100%	76%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
150	Martin (D - SINCLAIR)	100%	95%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
56	Mason (R - LISBON) (Gina)	29%	29%	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	*			
	Mason (R - LISBON) (Rick)	0%	0%	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	✗			
18	Mastraccio (D - SANFORD)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
148	McCrea (D - FORT FAIRFIELD)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
51	McCreight (D - HARPSWELL)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
149	McElwee (R - CARIBOU)	50%	35%	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗			
27	McLean (D - GORHAM)	88%	90%	✓	✓	✓	A	✓	✓	✓	✓			
62	Melaragno (D - AUBURN)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
30	Monaghan (D - CAPE ELIZABETH)	88%	97%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓			
38	Moonen (D - PORTLAND)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
78	Nadeau (D - WINSLOW)	100%	96%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
5	O'Connor (R - BERWICK)	13%	19%	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗			
15	O'Neil (D - SACO)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
23	Ordway (R - STANDISH)	38%	32%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗			
6	Parker (D - SOUTH BERWICK)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
10	Parry (R - ARUNDEL)	38%	34%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗			
77	Perkins (R - OAKLAND)	13%	13%	✗	✓	✗	A	✗	✗	✗	✗			
140	Perry (D - CALAIS)	100%	82%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
108	Picchiotti (R - FAIRFIELD)	38%	33%	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗			
116	Pickett (R - DIXFIELD)	50%	42%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗			
53	Pierce (R - DRESDEN)	13%	23%	✓	A	A	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗			
44	Pierce (D - FALMOUTH)	100%	95%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			
86	Pouliot (R - AUGUSTA)	75%	60%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗			
17	Prescott (R - WATERBORO)	25%	24%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗			
31	Reckitt (D - SOUTH PORTLAND)	75%	75%	✓	A	A	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓			

2018 House Scorecard (continued)

- ✓ pro-environment vote
- ✗ anti-environment vote
- ▲ unexcused absence
- excused absence
- * not in office

DISTRICT		128 th Session Score	Lifetime Score	Mining LD 820	Flame Retardants LD 182	Solar LD 1504	Public Lands LD 586	Arsenic LD 454	MUBEC ¹ LD 1392	Nips LD 56	Solar 1444
103	Reed (R - CARMEL)	0%	15%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
74	Riley (D - JAY)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
1	Rykerson (D - KITTERY)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
21	Sampson (R - ALFRED)	50%	50%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗
43	Sanborn (D - PORTLAND)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
88	Sanderson (R - CHELSEA)	0%	23%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	▲	▲	✗
126	Schneck (D - BANGOR)	75%	92%	✓	▲	▲	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
9	Seavey (R - KENNEBUNKPORT)	63%	38%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓
64	Sheats (D - AUBURN)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
144	Sherman (R - HODGDON)	50%	26%	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	▲
91	Simmons (R - WALDOBORO)	38%	38%	✓	✓	▲	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗
28	Sirocki (R - SCARBOROUGH)	0%	13%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
112	Skolfield (R - WELD)	75%	49%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
92	Spear (D - SOUTH THOMASTON)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
143	Stanley (D - MEDWAY)	88%	55%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
119	Stearns (R - GUILFORD)	88%	78%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
105	Stetkis (R - CANAAN)	0%	11%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
147	Stewart (R - PRESQUE ISLE)	50%	50%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗
106	Strom (R - PITTSFIELD)	25%	25%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
95	Sutton (R - WARREN)	13%	13%	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
39	Sylvester (D - PORTLAND)	88%	88%	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
40	Talbot Ross (D - PORTLAND)	88%	88%	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
54	Tepler (D - TOPSHAM)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
26	Terry (D - GORHAM)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
79	Therault (R - CHINA)	38%	30%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗
75	Timberlake (R - TURNER)	13%	15%	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗	✗
123	Tipping (D - ORONO)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
50	Tucker (D - BRUNSWICK)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
139	Tuell (R - EAST MACHIAS)	88%	72%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓
141	Turner (R - BURLINGTON)	0%	19%	✗	▲	▲	▲	✗	✗	✗	✗
29	Vachon (R - SCARBOROUGH)	75%	54%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓
70	Wadsworth (R - HIRAM)	50%	42%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗
104	Wallace (R - DEXTER)	38%	21%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗
131	Ward (R - DEDHAM)	63%	60%	✓	▲	▲	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓
84	Warren (D - HALLOWELL)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
146	White (R - WASHBURN)	25%	24%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✗
71	Winsor (R - NORWAY)	13%	14%	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	▲	✗	✗
57	Wood (R - GREENE)	50%	33%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗
96	Zeigler (D - MONTVILLE)	100%	100%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Scorecard

Bill Descriptions

Precedent-Setting Mining Protections Approved (2017)

LD 820: An Act to Protect Maine's Clean Water and Taxpayers from Mining Pollution

Sponsored by Sen. Brownie Carson

Pollution from metallic mineral mining poses a significant threat to Maine's waters and to the taxpayers who are frequently left paying the cleanup cost. After several years of rejecting too-weak mining rules, the legislature enacted LD 820, a strong set of regulations that will protect clean water and taxpayers from the impacts of metallic mineral mining pollution. The bill prohibits mining on public lands and under lakes, rivers, streams, brooks, and wetlands. The bill also prohibits open pit mines and tailings impoundments (ponds that hold mining waste). LD 820 requires any mining company to provide financial assurance to cover a 'worst case' mining failure scenario as determined by an independent third party. The governor vetoed the bill and the legislature overrode the veto. The veto override votes are scored here.

YES IS THE PRO ENVIRONMENT VOTE

		Yes	No	Absent	Excused
House Roll Call #269	June 7, 2017	122	21	7	1
Senate Roll Call #234	June 7, 2017	35	0	0	0



Swift Gulch, 2004. Dean Stiffarm Photo.

FINAL OUTCOME:
Bill vetoed by governor;
veto override successful.

Toxic Upholstery Chemicals Banned (2017)

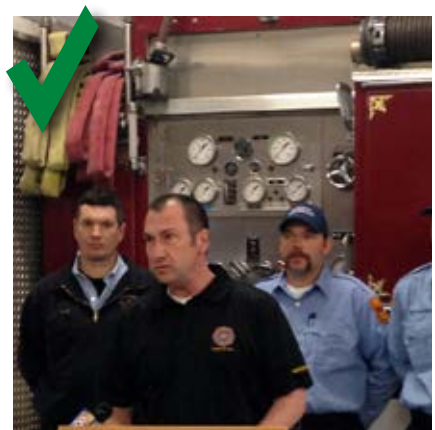
LD 182: An Act to Protect Firefighters by Establishing a Prohibition on the Sale and Distribution of New Upholstered Furniture Containing Certain Flame-Retardant Chemicals

Sponsored by Rep. Walter Kumiega

Flame-retardant chemicals used in upholstered furniture are linked to cancer, birth defects, and learning disabilities in children. While fighting fires, firefighters are exposed to these chemicals. Cancer is now the leading cause of death among firefighters. Scientists find that these chemicals do not even slow down fires. This bill passed with large margins in the House and Senate and was vetoed. The legislature overrode the veto and the override votes are scored here.

YES IS THE PRO ENVIRONMENT VOTE

		Yes	No	Absent	Excused
House Roll Call #443	August 2, 2017	123	14	13	1
Senate Roll Call #430	August 2, 2017	31	1	0	3



FINAL OUTCOME:
Bill vetoed by governor;
veto override successful.

Bill Descriptions (continued)

Solar Power Suffers Setback (2017)

LD 1504: An Act to Modernize Rates for Small-scale Distributed Generation

Sponsored by Sen. Tom Saviello

The Public Utilities Commission (PUC) issued a rule, effective April 1, 2018, that charges people for the solar they produce to power their own homes. The rule requires Central Maine Power (CMP) to install new meters on solar homes, which are to be paid for by all ratepayers, not CMP. The rule also eliminates net-metering, the current reimbursement mechanism to solar producers for the power they sell back to the grid. LD 1504, which was amended, would have superseded the rule and required the PUC to develop an alternative to net-metering by 2019, and to conduct a cost-benefit analysis of it. Additionally, the bill would have increased the number of people who can participate in a solar farm to 100 from the current limit of 10. The bill passed the legislature by more than a two-thirds majority in both bodies and was vetoed by the governor. While the Senate overrode the veto, the House sustained it. The veto override votes are scored here.

YES IS THE PRO ENVIRONMENT VOTE

		Yes	No	Absent	Excused
House Roll Call #459	August 2, 2017	88	48	14	1
Senate Roll Call #428	August 2, 2017	28	6	0	1



FINAL OUTCOME:
Bill vetoed by governor;
veto sustained.

Public Reserved Lands Commission

Recommendations Become Law (2017)

LD 586: An Act to Implement the Recommendations of the Commission to Study the Public Reserved Lands Management Fund

Sponsored by Sen. Tom Saviello

Public Reserved Lands are managed for a variety of resources including outdoor recreation, wildlife habitat conservation, and commercial timber harvesting. In 2015, a study commission developed a set of recommendations for improving access, prioritizing recreation infrastructure projects, and clarifying that timber harvest revenue should be used by the Bureau of Parks and Lands for stewardship and management. The bill was enacted, vetoed, and failed on the override vote in 2016. Sen. Saviello introduced the bill again in 2017. Once again, the bill passed the legislature with large margins and was vetoed by the governor. But this year, the legislature voted to override the veto. The veto override votes are scored here.

YES IS THE PRO ENVIRONMENT VOTE

		Yes	No	Absent	Excused
House Roll Call #431	July 20, 2017	97	40	13	1
Senate Roll Call #401	July 20, 2017	29	2	0	4



FINAL OUTCOME:
Bill vetoed by governor;
veto override successful.

Bill Descriptions (continued)

Arsenic in Well Water Addressed (2017)

LD 454: An Act to Ensure Safe Drinking Water for All Maine Families

Sponsored by Rep. Karen Vachon

One in eight Maine drinking water wells contain hidden toxic chemicals like arsenic, which can elevate the risk of cancer and cause learning disabilities. Arsenic has no smell, taste, or color, and many Mainers do not know that they should test their wells for it. LD 454 will raise awareness about the need to test for arsenic and will establish the Private Well Safe Drinking Water Fund. The Fund will help low-income Mainers purchase well water test kits. The bill also requires the creation of one simplified, state-recommended water test for contaminants. The bill was enacted by the legislature, vetoed by the governor, and failed on the override vote in 2016. Rep. Vachon reintroduced the bill in 2017. Once again, the bill passed the legislature with large margins and was vetoed. However, this time the legislature voted to override the veto. The veto override votes are scored here.

YES IS THE PRO ENVIRONMENT VOTE

		Yes	No	Absent	Excused
House Roll Call #335	June 19, 2017	113	33	5	0
Senate Roll Call #344	June 19, 2017	35	0	0	0



FINAL OUTCOME:
Bill vetoed by governor;
veto override successful.

Energy Efficiency Code Remains Intact (2017)

LD 1392: An Act to Allow Municipalities to Opt Not to Enforce the Maine Uniform Building and Energy Code (MUBEC)

Sponsored by Rep. Ellie Espling

MUBEC is a minimum energy efficiency code required for towns with populations over 4,000; towns with less than 4,000 are exempt from the code. LD 1392 would have weakened the code by allowing any town to opt out, which would have resulted in the building of energy inefficient homes that are more expensive to heat and burn more fossil fuels. The bill failed to get a majority in either the Senate or the House and died.

YES IS THE PRO ENVIRONMENT VOTE IN THE HOUSE

NO IS THE PRO ENVIRONMENT VOTE IN THE SENATE

		Yes	No	Absent	Excused
House Roll Call #248	June 6, 2017	84	63	3	1
Senate Roll Call #243	June 7, 2017	17	18	0	0



FINAL OUTCOME:
Bill defeated.

Bill Descriptions (continued)

Bottle Bill Strengthened (2017)

LD 56: An Act to Include 50 Milliliter and Smaller Liquor Bottles in the Laws Governing Returnable Containers

Sponsored by Rep. Anne-Marie Mastraccio

Maine has one of the strongest bottle bills in the country, and as a result of LD 56, it is even stronger. On January 1, 2019, a deposit of five cents will be charged for every 'nip' liquor bottle in an effort to reduce litter. The bill passed the legislature by large margins and was vetoed by the governor. The legislature overrode the veto, and the override votes are scored here.

YES IS THE PRO ENVIRONMENT VOTE

		Yes	No	Absent	Excused
House Roll Call #235	June 6, 2017	114	31	5	1
Senate Roll Call #238	June 7, 2017	29	6	0	0



FINAL OUTCOME:
Bill vetoed by governor;
veto override successful.

Solar Power Dealt Another Blow (2018)

LD 1444: An Act to Prohibit Gross Metering (title and bill changed by committee amendment)

Sponsored by Sen. David Woodsome

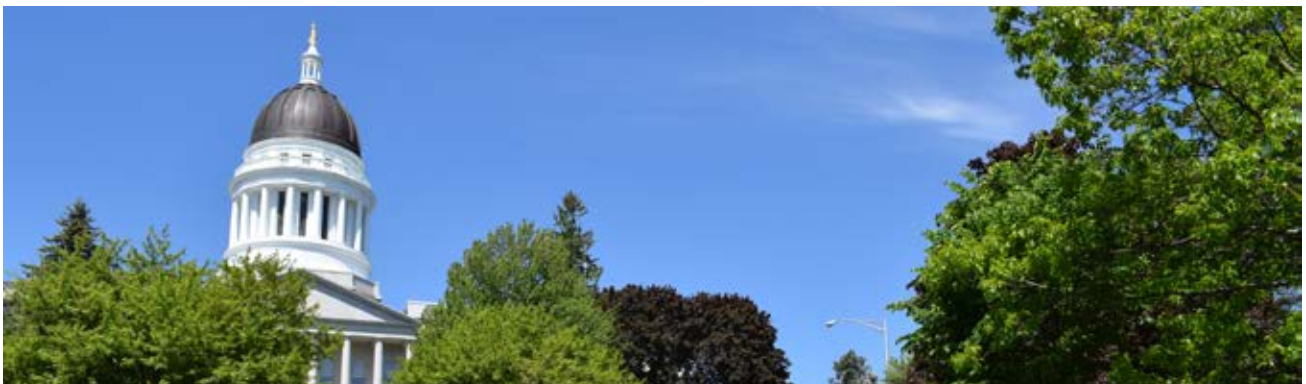
This bill would have prevented Maine's Public Utilities Commission (PUC) from imposing extra charges and burdens on home and business owners who use solar power. The bill also would have increased the number of people who can participate in a community solar project from the current limit of ten to 50. The bill passed the legislature by more than a two-thirds majority in both bodies but was vetoed by the governor. While the Senate overrode the veto, the House sustained it by a razor thin margin of two votes. The veto override votes are scored here.

YES IS THE PRO ENVIRONMENT VOTE

		Yes	No	Absent	Excused
House Roll Call #587	April 10, 2018	96	50	5	0
Senate Roll Call #568	April 2, 2018	26	7	0	2



FINAL OUTCOME:
Bill vetoed by governor;
veto sustained.



Bill Descriptions (continued)

Clean Transportation Choices Protected; Fee on Electric and Hybrid Vehicles Fails (2018)

LD 1806: An Act to Ensure Equity in the Funding of Maine's Transportation Infrastructure by Imposing an Annual Fee on Hybrid and Electric Vehicles

Submitted by the Department of Transportation, Presented by Rep. Wayne Parry

We all benefit from cars and trucks that pollute less – the air is cleaner, our health is better, and we're one step closer to energy independence. Maine drivers shouldn't be penalized for choosing fuel-efficient vehicles that reduce gasoline imports, use locally-produced energy, create less carbon pollution, and keep more money in Maine's economy. LD 1806 would have unfairly taxed drivers of hybrid and electric vehicles. The money raised from this tax would not be significant enough to put a dent in Maine's transportation funding shortfall. The bill failed to pass in either the House or the Senate. The House unanimously defeated LD 1806 without a roll call; the Senate vote to accept the fee was defeated and is scored here.

NO IS THE PRO ENVIRONMENT VOTE

		Yes	No	Absent	Excused
Senate Roll Call #541	March 20, 2018	15	19	0	1



FINAL OUTCOME:
Bill failed to get a majority in either the House or Senate and died.



Beyond the Roll Calls

Legislative scores only tell part of the story. Here we report individual actions that more completely tell the story behind the scored bills for 2018.

LD 1444

GROSS METERING AND SOLAR



Sen. Tom Saviello

Many legislative champions from past years stood up for solar again and deserve enormous credit. **Sen. Saviello** once again submitted legislation undoing the PUC's gross metering rule and criticized Central Maine Power for lobbying against solar development. Senate chair of the Energy, Utilities and Technology (EUT) Committee **Sen. Woodsome** introduced LD 1444, which was amended by **Rep. Harvell** to become the vehicle for prohibiting gross metering. **Rep. Berry** worked tirelessly to get the amended bill passed in committee and it received a 9-3 vote. The Senate enacted the bill 28-5; the House enactment vote was 106-38.



Rep. Seth Berry



Rep. Lance Harvell

As he has with all clean energy legislation, Governor LePage vetoed LD 1444. Despite the bill being enacted by large majorities, several legislators switched their votes to support the governor's veto. In the Senate, although **Sens. Cushing** and **Whittemore** originally voted for enactment of the bill they voted against it after the veto. **Sens. Brakey, Cyrway, Hamper, Mason,** and **Thibodeau** opposed the bill on every recorded vote. Thanks to Republican **Sens. Collins, Davis, Dow, Katz, Keim, Langley, Maker, Rosen, Saviello, Volk** and **Woodsome** for supporting this legislation after the veto.

In the House, **Reps. Berry, Ackley, Harvell, Riley** and **Sanborn** spoke in favor of the amended bill on the floor during the veto override debate. **Reps. Hanley, O'Connor** and **Wadsworth** spoke in opposition and worked with the governor, minority leader **Rep. Fredette**, and CMP to kill the bill. All of these speakers are members of the Energy, Utilities and Technology Committee. Following enactment of the bill, **Reps. Guerin, Harrington, Parry, Pierce (Dresden), Pouliot** and **Simmons** switched their votes and instead sustained the veto. **Reps. Bickford** and **Cebra** voted for enactment of the bill but were absent for the veto override vote. **Republican Reps. Black, Chace, Corey, Foley, Gillway, Harvell, Herrick, Hilliard, Kinney (Knox), Marean, Seavey, Skolfield, Stearns, Tuell, Vachon** and **Ward** are commended for standing firm against pressure to support the governor and their caucus leaders.

LD 1806

ELECTRIC AND HYBRID VEHICLES



Sen. Cathy Breen

Thanks to **Sens. Breen** and **Bellows** for testifying in opposition to LD 1806 before the Transportation Committee. **Rep. Grant** asked good questions during committee deliberation and **Rep. Chairman McLean** held firm that if other funding sources were not on the table, this fee would not be acceptable. The committee voted along party lines; Republicans in favor of the fee and Democrats opposed to it. When the bill came to the Senate floor, Republican **Sens. Brakey, Cyrway, Dow** and **Saviello** deserve credit for breaking ranks with the rest of their caucus to oppose the bill and provided the votes needed to defeat it. **Sen. Hill** was the only Democrat to vote in favor of the bill.



Sen. Shenna Bellows

Other Noteworthy Acts in 2018

BILL TO PROHIBIT NATIVE FISH IN SHEEPSCOT POND DEFEATED

Chairs of the Inland Fisheries and Wildlife Committee, **Sen. Cyrway** and **Rep. Duchesne**, ably led the committee through deliberations on legislation to block alewives and other native sea-run fish from entering Sheepscot Pond (LD 1667). The committee unanimously opposed the bill, which killed it. **Rep. Pierce (Dresden)**, a champion of alewives, was a fierce opponent of LD 1667 and deserves recognition for his role in the demise of the bill.



Rep. Bob Duchesne

PROPOSAL TO WEAKEN MAINE'S RENEWABLE ENERGY POLICY FAILED

Maine's renewable energy law requires that 10% of our power must come from new renewable resources. LD 1699 would have allowed energy from older hydropower dams, which are existing renewables, to be reclassified as "new" renewables, displacing true new renewable energy growth. The Energy, Utilities and Technology Committee weighed the arguments for and against the bill. The committee determined that Maine's renewable energy policy should be looked at comprehensively, not piecemeal. Kudos to the committee for unanimously rejecting the bill and not letting it go to the full legislature.



Rep. Jeff Pierce

PRE-EMPTION OF LOCAL PESTICIDE ORDINANCES UNSUCCESSFUL, AGAIN

As he did in 2017, the governor introduced a bill to limit the ability of towns to pass local pesticide control ordinances. LD 1853 would have exempted commercial applicators and sprayers from municipal pesticide ordinances. Three hundred forty-five people submitted testimony in opposition to the bill. **Sen. Davis** and **Rep. Martin (Sinclair)**, chairs of the State and Local Committee, took the lead in rejecting the bill. **Republican Rep. Pickett** and the committee Democrats voted with their chairs for a total of 9 'opposed' out of 11 votes. **Rep. Ordway** was the only member to vote in favor of the bill. **Sen. Keim** voted for an amended version of the bill. The legislation died in both chambers of the legislature without debate or a roll call.



Sen. Paul Davis

\$30 MILLION TO UPGRADE WASTE WATER TREATMENT PLANTS

The LePage Administration sponsored legislation (LD 1510) to "fund the replacement of malfunctioning septic systems, wastewater treatment facility planning, construction grants and hydrographic modeling in coastal watersheds, prioritizing areas with high-value shellfish resources, and assistance to homeowners whose homes are served by substandard or malfunctioning wastewater treatment systems". The bond began at \$50 million but the Appropriations Committee approved \$30 million. All committee members except **Rep. Sirocki** voted in favor. **Rep. Tucker** gave spirited remarks in favor of the bill on the House floor. **Reps. Stetkis** and **Turner** were the only legislators voting against the bond in the House. The Senate voted unanimously to approve. The bond will appear on the ballot in November, 2018.



Rep. Danny Martin



Rep. Ralph Tucker

Committee Spotlight

Frequently, the most important work on legislation happens in committee. The Environment and Natural Resources (ENR) Committee heard and deliberated on several issues in 2018, reaching a positive outcome on many of them. Chairs Saviello and Tucker worked with their committee to create a civil and information-driven process to successfully reach consensus on many issues.

FOOD WASTE REDUCTION AND EDUCATION RESOURCE CREATED

Rep. Hickman introduced legislation (LD 1534) to address food waste and food insecurity. Due to fiscal constraints, the bill was scaled back, but received unanimous committee support. It directs the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to develop educational materials and maintain a food recovery database on its website. The governor let the bill become law without his signature.

CARBON DIOXIDE EMISSIONS REDUCED

ENR Committee House Chair **Tucker** successfully sponsored LD 1657 on behalf of the Department of Environmental Protection (DEP) to extend the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI) by an additional 10 years, to 2030. RGGI is a successful cap and trade initiative among nine northeastern states to reduce certain industrial carbon dioxide emissions by 2.5% each year. The DEP and the ENR Committee handled the RGGI extension bill cautiously and diplomatically. This resulted in a unanimous committee vote and passage in both the House and Senate without opposition. The bill became law without the governor's signature.

ELECTRONIC WASTE LAW STREAMLINED

The DEP asked for assistance in making changes to Maine's electronic waste law to better align with electronic waste programs in other states (LD 1847). Since this bill was not controversial, it passed unanimously out of committee and in both chambers; yet the governor vetoed the bill. The veto was overridden by wide margins: 35-0 in the Senate and 137-8 in the House. **Reps. Hanington, Hawke, Malaby, Reed, Sanderson, Sirocki, Sutton** and **Turner** switched their votes on the veto override vote to oppose the bill.

CREATION OF COASTAL RISKS COMMISSION FAILED

Rep. Blume sponsored LD 1095, "An Act to Establish the Maine Coastal Risks and Hazards Commission." The bill passed successfully in both the House and Senate but was vetoed by the governor. All the House Democrats and Independents voted to override the veto. Most House Republicans voted to sustain the veto excepting **Reps. Cebra, Corey, Foley, Gillway, Harrington, Marean** and **Vachon**. Sadly, the veto was sustained by a vote of 85-59 (95 votes were needed to override).

DEP RULES ON BENEFICIAL USE OF SOLID WASTE MODIFIED

The DEP proposed relaxing its existing rules on the use of waste wood from demolition debris for re-use as industrial wood fuel; and also proposed more lenient rules on the use of contaminated soils for re-use as fill on roadways and construction projects. The ENR Committee considered whether these rule changes would be environmentally significant. A compromise was reached to place case-by-case monitoring and licensing requirements on the re-use of contaminated soils. As a result of this agreement, the rules were improved significantly over what was originally proposed.



Senate Chair
Tom Saviello



House Chair
Ralph Tucker



Sen. Geoff
Gratwick



Rep. Jessica
Fay



Sen. Amy
Volk



Rep. Robert
Duchesne



Rep. Richard
Campbell



Rep. Stanley
Zeigler



Rep. Denise
Harlow



Rep. Scott
Ström



Rep. Jeff
Pierce



Rep. John
Martin



Rep.
Jonathan
Kinney

2017-2018 Honor Roll

(No more than one anti-environment vote or absence)

SENATE

100%	Shenna Bellows (D - KENNEBEC)	100%	Dana Dow (R - LINCOLN)
100%	Catherine Breen (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	Geoffrey Gratwick (D - PENOBSCOT)
100%	Michael Carpenter (D - AROOSTOOK)	100%	Troy Jackson (D - AROOSTOOK)
100%	Everett Carson (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	Rebecca Millett (D - CUMBERLAND)
100%	Justin Chenette (D - YORK)	100%	David Miramant (D - KNOX)
100%	Benjamin Chipman (D - CUMBERLAND)	100%	Eloise Vitelli (D - SAGADAHOC)
100%	Susan Deschambault (D - YORK)	89%	Nathan Libby (D - ANDROSCOGGIN)
100%	Bill Diamond (D - CUMBERLAND)	89%	Thomas Saviello (R - FRANKLIN)
100%	James Dill (D - PENOBSCOT)	88%	Dawn Hill (D - YORK)
100%	Mark Dion (D - CUMBERLAND)		

HOUSE

100%	Robert Alley (D - BEALS)	100%	Gina Melaragno (D - AUBURN)
100%	Betty Austin (D - SKOWHEGAN)	100%	Matthew Mooney (D - PORTLAND)
100%	Christopher Babbidge (D - KENNEBUNK)	100%	Catherine Nadeau (D - WINSLOW)
100%	Seth Berry (D - BOWDOINHAM)	100%	Margaret O'Neil (D - SACO)
100%	Russell Black (R - WILTON)	100%	Jennifer Parker (D - SOUTH BERWICK)
100%	Heidi Brooks (D - LEWISTON)	100%	Anne Perry (D - CALAIS)
100%	Mark Bryant (D - WINDHAM)	100%	Teresa Pierce (D - FALMOUTH)
100%	Barbara Cardone (D - BANGOR)	100%	Christina Riley (D - JAY)
100%	Benjamin Collings (D - PORTLAND)	100%	Deane Rykeron (D - KITTERY)
100%	Janice Cooper (D - YARMOUTH)	100%	Heather Sanborn (D - PORTLAND)
100%	Patrick Corey (R - WINDHAM)	100%	Bettyann Sheats (D - AUBURN)
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HONOR ROLL

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Thomas Saviello
64% lifetime score for 8 terms; chaired the Environment and Natural Resources Committee; champion of solar and public lands



Roger Katz
65% lifetime score for 4 terms; champion of LMF and solar



Dawn Hill
96% lifetime score for 6 terms



Mark Dion
78% lifetime score for 6 terms; chaired the Energy, Utilities and Technology Committee

HOUSE



Kevin Battle
72% lifetime score for 4 terms; champion of strong mining regulation



Russell Black
65% lifetime score for 4 terms; champion of solar and public lands



Ralph Chapman
91% lifetime score for 4 terms



Bob Duchesne
93% lifetime score for 6 terms; champion of wetlands and wildlife



★ **Roger Fuller**
100% lifetime score for 1 term



Jared Golden
82% lifetime score for 2 terms



★ **Gay Grant**
100% lifetime score for 3 terms; champion of water and strong mining regulation



Denise Harlow
91% lifetime score for 4 terms; served on the Environment and Natural Resources Committee for all terms



★ **Erin Herbig**
100% lifetime score for 4 terms; champion of Maine's Uniform Building and Energy Code



George Hogan
88% lifetime score for 6 terms



★ **Walter Kumiega**
100% lifetime score for 4 terms; chaired Marine Resources Committee; champion of sea run fish and banning flame retardants



Thomas Longstaff
97% lifetime score for 4 terms



★ **Louis Luchini**
100% lifetime score for 4 terms



Kimberly Monaghan
97% lifetime score for 4 terms



★ **Jennifer Parker**
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- 13% **Rep. Tom J. Winsor** (R - NORWAY)



Eight Years of Damage to Maine's Environment and Democracy

Over the past eight years, Governor Paul LePage's opposition to basic environmental stewardship has jeopardized our clean air, water, and wildlife, and caused lasting damage to agencies tasked with protecting our environment. Fortunately, Maine legislators, concerned citizens and a coalition of environmental advocates defeated most of the governor's dangerous proposals.

This retrospective assessment of Governor LePage's tenure is a sobering review of his anti-environmental agenda – but it is also an expression of hope. The people of Maine value our environment, and we have the opportunity in 2018 to elect a new governor who will share these values. Maine deserves better.

A Poor Beginning

The governor did not wait long to reveal an agenda that favored corporate interests over Maine people. One of his first actions after taking office was to propose a “regulatory reform” bill:

- Abolishing the state Board of Environmental Protection (BEP)
- Rezoning three million acres of Maine's unorganized territories for development
- Easing standards for development near vernal pools and other significant wildlife habitats
- Eliminating product stewardship laws that remove toxins from municipal waste streams
- Shortening the statute of limitations for the prosecution of environmental violations
- Abolishing the Kid-Safe Products Act, Maine's pioneering law to phase out dangerous chemicals from consumer products

Ultimately, the legislature rejected the most damaging aspects of Governor LePage's proposal. However, the governor adopted new approaches to achieve his anti-environment agenda by cutting funding to vital state agencies, driving key staff to leave, and nominating people to leadership positions who share his anti-environment philosophy.

Conservation of Public Lands

Attacks on Land for Maine's Future (LMF) Program

Governor LePage waged a campaign to impede the operation of the LMF Program, which has protected thousands of acres of working farms, forests, waterfronts, trails, and wildlife habitat throughout Maine since 1987. His efforts included:

- Eliminating the LMF Director's position in 2011 (restored by the legislature)
- Campaigning against the 2012 LMF bond (passed by voters anyway)
- Refusing to issue LMF bonds that were approved by voters (the legislature forced him to release the funds)
- Jeopardizing more than 30 LMF projects that were awaiting funding by using the voter-approved bonds as a bargaining chip in an attempt to increase timber harvesting of public lands
- Vetoing bills requiring release of the LMF funds (and capitulating to release the funds only when an override vote was almost certain)
- Directing department commissioners on the LMF Board to vote against LMF projects, even projects their own departments proposed

- Appointing LMF board members who oppose LMF and land conservation

Increased timber harvesting on public lands

The governor repeatedly tried to increase timber harvesting on public lands. The legislature authorized a commission to make harvesting recommendations, but the governor vetoed the bill twice, and the legislature had to override the veto.

Blocking creation of a national monument

Governor LePage introduced a bill aimed at trying to block creation of a National Monument in the Katahdin region. After the creation of the Katahdin Woods and Waters National Monument, the governor lobbied President Trump to shrink the Monument and refused to post signs for visitors.

Attacks on state environmental agencies

Governor LePage's attacks on state agencies include:

- Eliminating the Maine State Planning Office
- Merging the Department of Conservation with the Department of Agriculture and Forestry, despite very different missions and management objectives
- Failing to increase the budget for the Department of Inland Fisheries and Wildlife despite a campaign pledge to do so
- Reducing the budget and staffing capacity, and terminating key programs, at the Department of Environmental Protection
- Slashing funding for the Land Use Planning Commission (LUPC), and appointing members to LUPC who fundamentally disagree with the agency's mission to protect the character of Maine's North Woods

Public Health

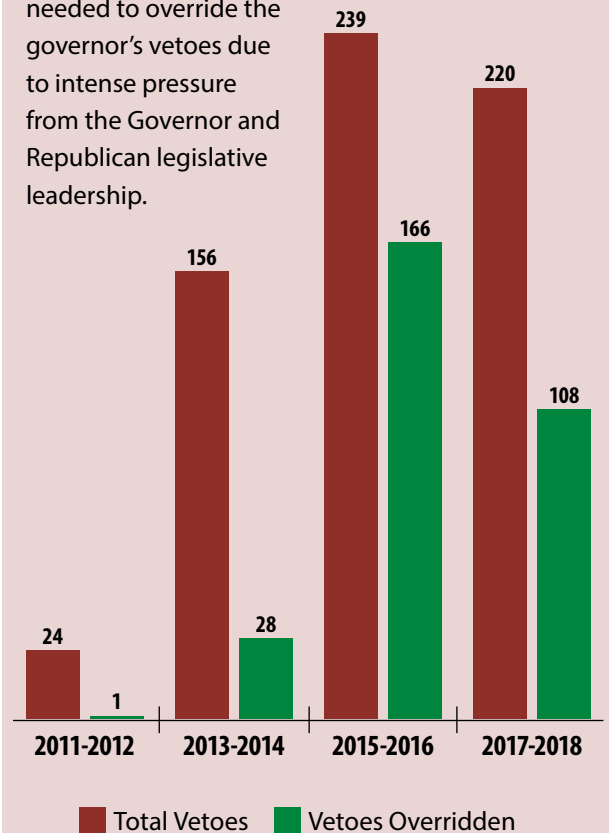
Governor LePage's opposition to public health protections include:

Opposition to controls of toxic chemicals

- Opposing efforts to limit exposure of children and pregnant women to toxic chemicals
- Opposing a plan to phase out use of the chemical bisphenol-A (BPA) in baby bottles, sippy cups, and other reusable food and beverage containers
- Vetoing a bill that required food manufacturers to disclose use of BPA in food packaging
- Opposing implementation of Maine's Kid-Safe Products Act, which requires collecting information from manufacturers about the use of Priority Chemicals in their products and possible safer alternatives
- Vetoing legislation to ban flame retardant material in furniture, a bill designed to protect the health of firefighters and homeowners (overridden by the Legislature)

More vetoes than any Governor in history

Governor LePage vetoed a record number of bills during his eight years in office. Several times, the legislature passed environmental bills by wide, bipartisan margins but ended up a few votes shy of the two-thirds needed to override the governor's vetoes due to intense pressure from the Governor and Republican legislative leadership.



Opposition to Product Stewardship

- Opposing expansions to the e-waste recycling law, even though it has saved taxpayers more than \$9.6 million and prevented more than 3.3 million pounds of lead and other toxic materials from entering Maine's environment
- Opposing other bills to remove paint and medical sharps from community waste streams

Opposition to local controls on pesticide use

- Supporting the repeal of Maine's Pesticide Notification Registry; a simple, low-cost system designed to allow neighbor notification before aerial and air-blaster spraying
- Introducing bills to prevent towns from passing local ordinances with stricter pesticide limits than those of the state.

Clean Water

Governor LePage refused to support several measures that would have improved Maine's water quality:

- Vetoing bills that would have made it easier to recycle pharmaceuticals rather than have them end up in landfills or be flushed into the water supply
- Vetoing a bill that would have strengthened Maine's Lake Protection Programs
- Relinquishing the right to manage lake levels, water flows, and water quality on Flagstaff Lake and the Dead River for at least 25 years

Repeated attempts to weaken mining rules

Governor LePage repeatedly attempted to weaken rules to protect Maine's waters from metallic mineral mining:

- Signing into law a bill to weaken existing, protective, open pit mining regulations and requiring the state to develop new mining rules
- Proposing new mining rules that reduced protections for water quality (defeated three times by the Legislature)
- Vetoing a bill that provided some of the strongest mining protections in the country (veto overturned)

Climate Change and Energy

Governor LePage repeatedly attacked renewable energy and energy efficiency initiatives, despite economic and environmental benefits:

- Opposing Maine's energy efficiency programs, despite the fact that every \$1 invested in energy efficiency saves at least \$3 in energy costs
- Stripping \$38 million from an efficiency investment program for manufacturers and signing a bill that weakened Maine's uniform building and energy efficiency code
- Proposing bills allowing Hydro Quebec to flood the electricity market at the expense of Maine-produced renewable energy (defeated each time by the Legislature)
- Proposing a bill stripping Efficiency Maine Trust of its autonomy and undermining cost saving initiatives (defeated)
- Supporting a bill that would have slashed RGGI funding for energy efficiency programs (defeated)
- Proposing legislation to impose a fee on hybrid and electric vehicles (defeated)

Some Environmental Success

Most environmental efforts over the past eight years have been to defend the environment against attack, but there have been some steps forward:

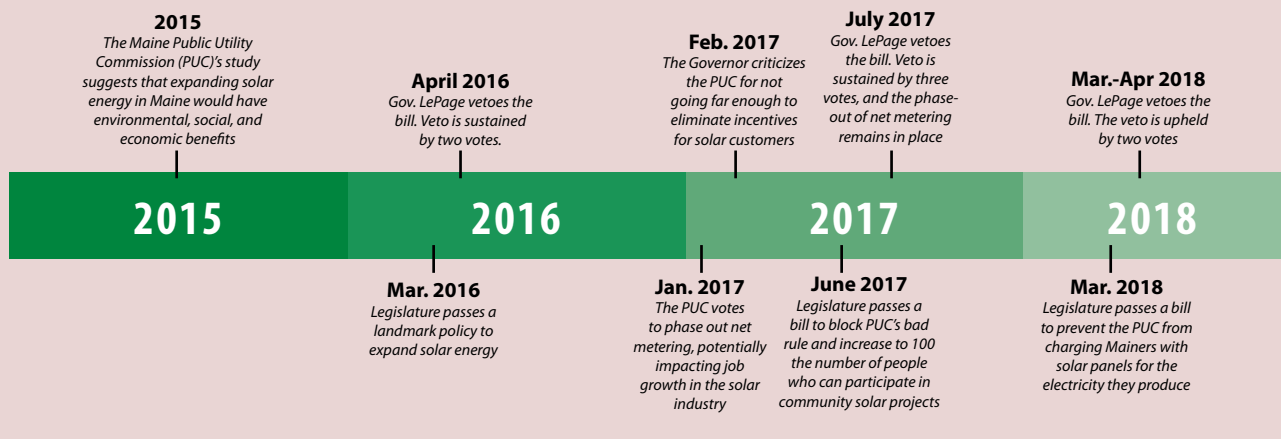
- Maine now has some of the strongest open-pit mining regulations in the world
- Maine is the first state in the nation to ban flame-retardant furniture
- Maine's bottle redemption bill was expanded
- Maine developed a fund to help people test for arsenic in their well water
- Maine twice approved stronger caps on greenhouse gas emissions under the Regional Greenhouse Gas Initiative (RGGI)
- Maine's DEP will create a food recovery database to address food waste on its website
- The governor introduced a bond to upgrade waste water treatment facilities (\$30 million) that will go to the voters in November of 2018

Wind and Solar Energy

Governor LePage has been a strong opponent of wind and solar energy, preventing economic development and continuing our dependence on fossil fuels:

- Rejecting a floating offshore wind project from an international company after the project was approved by the Public Utilities Commission, causing the project to move to Scotland
- Revoking the University of Maine's Power Purchase Agreement for a demonstration offshore wind power project
- Issuing a moratorium on new terrestrial wind energy permits in the state, which is being challenged in the courts on the grounds that it exceeds executive power in the Maine Constitution
- Slowing solar energy development by repeatedly vetoing bipartisan bills that would have greatly increased solar power and created thousands of new jobs in the solar industry

Solar Energy in Maine Gov. LePage's second term has been punctuated by struggles over solar policy in Maine, and particularly the policy of net metering, in which homeowners with solar panels that generate more electricity than the home uses can get credit for the value of the extra electricity. This timeline shows the governor's influence in preventing the growth of the environmentally friendly solar industry in Maine.



Moving Maine Forward

Mainers understand that we cannot have a strong economy without a healthy environment and a healthy democracy. The gubernatorial election in November is an opportunity to make a positive change. Maine's next governor can work to move Maine forward toward a stronger, healthier environment. Environmental priorities for the next administration should include:

- **Energy Independence.** Passing a solar bill into law and creating a friendlier climate for terrestrial and offshore wind, resulting in positive economic and environmental benefits
- **Clean Water.** Protecting water resources by investing in clean water infrastructure and lake protection programs
- **Land and Wildlife.** Investing in Maine's public lands and waters to provide opportunities for hunting, fishing and recreation
- **Healthy Food.** Building a food system that supports local farmers, creates new markets, brings nutritious, local food to Maine people, and reduces food waste
- **Environmental and Legislative Institutions.** Rebuilding the capacity of environmental agencies and reinstating cooperation with the Legislature

Maine Conservation Voters is committed to working with a broad coalition of organizations throughout the state—and with you!—to move these priorities forward. Whether it's voting for pro-conservation candidates at the polls, making a call to your elected official about a bill, or working for clean air, water, and land in your community, thank you for fighting for Maine's environment.



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