### **2012 Legislative Voting Record** of the Washington State Labor Council

SENATE



(Democrats listed in **bold**.)

"Right" vote ○ "Wrong" vote **E** Excused A Absent

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Senator	Dis.	123	456	789	10	2012 %	2011 %	LIFE- TIME
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\* in House of Representatives

Good, bad, ugly bills that didn't get votes

Lots of good, bad and ugly legislation affecting working families never gets a floor vote. Here are some of these bills and a list of legislators who cosponsored them (prime sponsors are listed in parentheses; Democrats in **bold**):

### THE GOOD

■ HB 2434 (Rep. Bob Hasegawa) and SB 6310 (Sen. Karen Keiser)-Creating the Washington Investment Trust. Co-sponsors: REPS. Hudgins, Kenney, Goodman, Appleton, Santos, Ryu, Ladenburg, Dickerson, Sullivan, Green, Pollet, Haigh, Springer, Pettigrew, Cody, Orwall, Fitzgibbon, Roberts, Seaquist, Tharinger, Darneille, Moeller, Jinkins, Miloscia, Eddy, Van De Wege, Stanford, Reykdal, Takko, Ormsby, Maxwell, Kagi, Kirby, Sells, McCoy, Clibborn, Moscoso, Wylie, Lytton, Hunt, Liias, Upthegrove, Blake; and SENS. Conway, Hargrove, Prentice, Frockt, Shin, Kohl-Welles, Nelson, Rolfes, Chase, Kline.

■ HB 2412 (Rep. Phyllis Gutierrez Kenney)—Increasing protection for workers under the Washington Industrial Safety and Health Act. Co-sponsors: REPS. Sells, Reykdal, Moscoso, Miloscia, Green, Ormsby, Hasegawa, Roberts, Hudgins, Cody, Moeller.

■ HB 2413 (Rep. Chris **Reykdal**) and SB 6397 (Sen. Jeanne Kohl-Welles)-Protecting workers and the com-

### It's not just about the votes

Starting in 2010, the WSLC established a more comprehensive system of evaluating incumbent legislators because voting records alone don't always reveal who is truly supporting or opposing working families' interests. That's why, legislators will also be graded on:

**SPONSORSHIP**—Up to 5 points for sponsoring or co-sponsoring pro-worker bills. Negative points are awarded for sponsoring anti-worker bills. The House Speaker and Senate Majority Leader, who can't sponsor bills, are rated on their success in moving legislation through their caucus.

ADVOCACY—Up to 10 points for advocating for labor-supported legislation in caucus, floor and other public speeches, participating in labor events in their districts, and based on their responses in questionnaires and candidate interviews conducted by Central Labor Councils. Negative points are awarded for anti-worker advocacy.

#### Unfortunately, because the session ran so late and this publication had to be printed for the May 5 COPE Convention, those numbers were not available at press time.

### THE BAD

■ SB 6419, 6420 & 6422 (King)—Changing how prevailing wage rates are calculated, so they are lower. Cosponsors: SENS. Schoesler, Hewitt, Holmquist Newbry.

HB 1433 (Short)—Creating new time restrictions for filing a prevailing wage complaint. Co-sponsor: REP. Condotta, Kretz, McCune.

HB 2207 (Springer)—Granting Retrospective Rating employers more authority over injured workers. Cosponsor: REP. Condotta.

■ SB 6402 (**Tom**)—Eliminating the Workforce Training and Education Coordinating Board. Co-sponsors: SENS. Hill, Becker.

### THE UGLY

■ SB 5347 (Swecker)—Making Washington a so-called "Right-to-Work" state, which bans workers and employers from negotiating union-security clauses so workers covered under contracts to share in the costs of representation. This is union-busting, plain and simple. Cosponsors: SENS. Honeyford and Hewitt.

HB 2497 (Condotta)—Legalizing "tip penalties," subminimum wages for workers who earn tips. Co-sponsors: REPS. Warnick, Shea, Taylor, Fagan, Ross, Alexander. SB 5968 (Stevens)—Ending voter-mandated inflationary adjustments in the minimum wage. Co-sponsors: SENS. Swecker, Schoesler.

munity from pesticide drift. Co-sponsors: REPS. Sells, Appleton, Ladenburg, Ormsby, Hunt, Moscoso, Ryu, Roberts, Wylie, Green, Hasegawa, McCoy, Kenney, Hudgins, Cody, Moeller, Fitzgibbon, Pollet, Jinkins; and SENS. Chase, Rolfes, Conway, Keiser, Nelson, Kline, Shin.

HB 2508 (Rep. Mary Lou Dickerson) and SB 6229 (Sen. Jeanne Kohl-Welles)-Establishing minimum standards for sick and safe leave from employment. Co-spon-

sors: REPS. Reykdal, Miloscia, Liias, Green, Hudgins, Sells, Hunt, Kenney, Ormsby, Appleton; and SENS. Conway, Keiser, Nelson, Kline, Chase, Frockt.

■ SB 6309 (Sen. Margarita **Prentice**)—Require meal & rest breaks for certain health care workers. Co-sponsors: SENS. Conway, Kohl-Welles, Keiser, Kline, Pridemore, Chase, Harper, Frockt, McAuliffe, Shin, Nelson. HB 2498 (Condotta) —Suspending minimum wage increases in certain years. Co-sponsors: REPS. Warnick, Shea, Taylor, Fagan, Short, Ross, Alexander, Angel

HB 1258 (Condotta) —Allowing employers to pay sub-minimum "training" wages. Co-sponsors: REPS. Shea, Chandler, Taylor, Short, Warnick.

## Inslee, Ferguson, Cantwell earn early WSLC endorsements

Emphasizing the importance of the 2012 elections, hundreds of Washington State Labor Council delegates from unions across the state gathered Feb. 9 at the WSLC Legislative Conference in Olympia and voted to endorse Jay Inslee for Governor, Bob Ferguson for State Attorney General, and Maria Cantwell for re-election as U.S.

Senator.

The endorsements were made months in advance of the WSLC's 2012 COPE (Committee on Political Education) Convention, which will be May 5 in Seattle. At that meeting, delegates will gather to endorse candidates for other statewide offices, judicial races and the State Legislature.

For more information, visit the Political Education page at www.wslc.org.





Jay Inslee

**Bob Ferguson** 

Maria Cantwell

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# HOUSE

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See the Vote Descriptions below.

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### **SENATE Vote Descriptions**

**1** SB 6239 (Murray)—**Marriage Equality Act** making Washington the seventh state to recognize same-sex marriages. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 28-21, Feb. 1) **8** SB 5940 (Hobbs)—**Eroding school employees' health benefits** and undermining collective bargaining by mandating fewer health plan choices. "Right" vote: NO (Passed 29-17, Apr. 7)

**9** SB 5127 (Kilmer)—**Infrastructure Jobs Bonds** creating tens of thousands of jobs across the state. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 44-2, Apr. 11) **5** HB 2501 (Green)—Limiting mandatory overtime for health care workers. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 57-41, Feb. 14)

**6** SB 6133 (Conway)—**Improving electrical certifications**. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 56-42, Feb. 28)

**2** ESSB 6486 (Kohl-Welles)—**Collective bargaining for post-doctural researchers** at certain state universities. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 26-23, Feb. 13.)

**3** SB 6133 (Conway)—**Improving electrical certifications** by requiring training for eligibility. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 25-24, Feb. 13)

**4** SB 5539 (Kohl-Welles)—**Renewing Washington Filmworks** to promote motion picture competitiveness. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 40-8, Feb. 14)

**5** HB 2319 (Cody)—**Building State Health Benefit Exchange** to implement the Affordable Care Act. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 27-22, Mar. 1)

**6** SB 5967 (Zarelli)—**Senate Republican budget**, negotiated in secret, that cut funding for schools, colleges, local governments, and skipped a pension payment. "Right" vote: NO (Passed 25-24, Mar. 3)

**7** SB 6616 (Zarelli)—**Raiding the Solid Waste Account**, which would have removed a funding source for the Infrastructure Jobs Bonds. "Right" vote: NO (Passed 25-24, Mar. 3) **10**SB 6378 (Zarelli)—**Cutting pension benefits** for state employees by imposing new early retirement penalties."Right" vote: NO (Passed 27-22, Apr 10)

Vote counts as 25% of the 2012 Senate Voting Record, and the remaining votes comprise the other 75%.

### **HOUSE Vote Descriptions**

**1** SB 6239 (Murray)—Marriage Equality Act. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 55-43, Feb. 8)

**2** HB 2368 (Seaquist)—Requiring a **labor representative on Community College boards**. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 54-43, Feb. 9)

**3** HB 2395 (Sells)—End misclassification of port truck drivers. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 52-43, Feb. 11)

HB 2319 (Cody)—**Building State Health Benefit Exchange** to implement the Affordable Care Act. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 52-43, Feb. 11) **7** ESSB 6486 (Kohl-Welles)—Collective bargaining for post-doctural researchers at certain state universities. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 54-44, Feb. 29)

**8** SB 5539 (Kohl-Welles)—**Renewing Washington Filmworks** to promote motion picture competitiveness. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 92-6, Mar. 8)

**9** SB 5940 (Hobbs)—**Eroding school employees' health benefits**. "Right" vote: NO (Passed 53-45, Apr. 11)

**10** HB 2830 (Hunter)—**Equity for language access providers/interpreters** at the Dept. of Labor & Industries. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 56-42, Apr. 11)

**11** SB 5127 (Kilmer)—**Infrastructure Jobs Bonds**. "Right" vote: YES (Passed 80-18, Apr. 11)

**12** SB 6378 (Zarelli)—Cutting pension benefits for state employees by imposing early retirement penalties. "Right" vote: NO (Passed 56-42, Apr. 10)

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