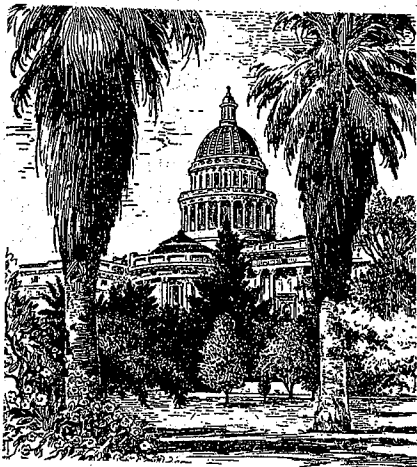


Conservation Voting Record 1973-74 California Legislature



ENDORSEMENTS CALIFORNIA LEAGUE OF CONSERVATION VOTERS

GOVERNOR: Edmund G. Brown, Jr.

CONTROLLER: William Bagley

US SENATE: Alan Cranston

CONGRESS: 5th District John Burton; 7th George Miller; 8th Ron Dellums; 9th Fortney Starke; 10th Don Edwards; 12th Pete McCloskey; 6th Julian Camacho; 17th John Krebs; 18th George Seelstad; 23rd Tom Rees; 25th Ed Roybal; 36th George Brown; 41st Coleen O'Connor

STATE SENATE: 2d District Peter Behr; 4th John Dunlap; 6th George Moscone; 10th Arlen Gregorio; 12th Jerry Smith; 18th Omer Rains; 22d Tony Beilenson; 34th Craig Biddle; 40th Jim Mills

STATE ASSEMBLY: 2d Barry Keene; 3rd Baron Reed; 4th Ed Z'berg; 5th Gene Gualco; 9th Michael Wornum; 10th Dan Boatwright; 12th Ken Meade; 13th John Miller; 16th John Foran; 18th Leo McCarthy; 21st Vic Calvo; 22d Richard Hayden; 23rd John Vasconcellos; 24th Leona Egeland; 33rd Ray Gonzalez; 35th Gary Hart; 37th Robert Cline; 38th Paul Priolo; 43rd Howard Berman; 44th Alan Sieroty; 46th Charles Warren; 56th Art Torres; 78th Larry Kapiloff; 80th Waddie Deddeh.

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About This Chart

The following chart has been prepared by the California League of Conservation Voters to help Californians choose their legislators wisely. It evaluates the members of the 1973-4 legislature according to their votes on major pieces of environmental and conservation legislation. The chart lists the votes cast (both in committees and on the floor) on 25 key bills.

A voting chart such as this cannot measure all the ways legislators can help conserve and preserve California's environment. It cannot show the thankless, often tedious work of planning legislation and strategy, investigating background information, drafting precise legislative language, and other lawmaking chores critical to the present and future quality of life in California.

This chart does, however, name the sponsors of the listed bills, a relatively small group of legislators who sponsor and carry key conservation legislation. These workhorses (and others whose efforts do not show here) deserve special praise and support.

The percentage scores listed at the chart's bottom were computed by dividing the total number of correct conservation votes a legislator cast by the total number of opportunities he or she had to vote for the environment. Official absences from the legislature on a given day (A) were not counted as opportunities. When conservationists were defeated, the legislators who abstained contributed to their defeat; their abstentions were therefore scored as wrong votes. When conservationists won, some legislators who did not vote may simply have been absent from the room at the time of the vote.

Introduction

The California League of Conservation Voters is the campaign arm of California conservationists. The League works to elect responsive public officials who stand up and fight for the environment. We have three major tools to help conservation candidates get elected:

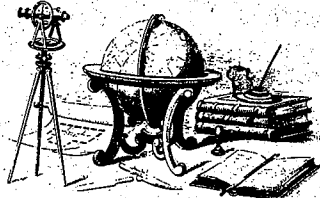
1. Information: endorsements of outstanding candidates; this voting chart; profiles of key candidates and races.
2. Personnel: Grassroots conservationists mobilized to work in critical campaigns.

3. Money: small campaign contributions solicited from a large number of ordinary citizens who want to participate in the political process in this way, channelled to conservation candidates who need funds.

The League depends on California conservationists to carry out its programs. Donations or offers of assistance should be sent to the California League of Conservation Voters, 2315 Westwood Boulevard, Los Angeles 90064, or 529 Commercial Street, San Francisco 94111.

Bills

Planning & Land Use



SB 283 (Alquist) Creates the Electrical Facilities Siting Council to regulate powerplant and transmission line siting and to rule on rate setting and energy conservation measures. Vetoed.

SB 399 (Lagomarsino) Requires local agencies and jurisdictions to pay a portion of the costs of flood control projects. Passed.

SB 1051 (Bradley) Weakens the Environmental Quality Act of 1970 (which requires Environmental Impact Reports) by making environment only one factor to be weighed in evaluation of a project. Allows officials to ignore EIR's in making policy. Conservationists opposed. Defeated.

AB 1250 (Meade) Creates California Advisory Commission on Demography to develop and recommend population goals and policies. Defeated.

AB 1254 (Berman) Creates a Ventura-Los Angeles Mountain Conservation Commission. Defeated.

AB 1575 (Warren) Creates a State Energy Commission with authority over energy conservation, facilities siting, and state energy policy. Passed.

SB 1873 (Way) Removes authority of State Water Resources Board to release water for fish, wildlife and recreational uses, and subjects these plans to legislative review. Would have gutted California's strong water quality control program. Conservationists opposed. Defeated.

AB 1944 (Z'berg) Adds new members to the California Tahoe Regional Planning Agency. Provides authority for land purchases in Tahoe area. Passed.

AB 3401 (Priolo) Authorizes \$28 million in state parks acquisition from the Bagley Fund. Passed.

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Pollution



SCA 15 (Mills) and ACA 16 (Foran) Constitutional amendments to permit use of gas tax revenues for mass transit and air pollution programs. ACA 16 was preferred by conservationists to SCA 15, which passed on the June, 1974 ballot.

AB 594 (Dixon) Bans flip-top cans and requires deposits for all beverage containers. Defeated.

SB 1556 (Biddle) Creates full-time State Air Quality Board replacing present part-time board. Creates special South Coast Basin Air Pollution Control Board for LA Basin. Vetoed.

AB 2283 (Moretti) Creates a single, basinwide air pollution control board for the LA Basin. Vetoed.

SB 2471 (Holmdahl) Eliminates immediate installation of smog devices to control nitrogen oxides on 1966-70 vehicles outside of the South Coast Air Basin. Conservationists opposed the bill, but supported the Sieroty amendment to the bill. Passed.

Natural Resources



SB 187 (Moscone) Outlaws importation of non-domesticated animal species for sale and private ownership. Vetoed.

AB 227 (Z'berg) Creates a new State Board of Forestry with broad public representation, sets resource conservation criteria for new forest practice regulations, and requires that professional foresters submit plans for harvesting timber on private lands to the State Forester for approval. Passed.

AB 688 (Z'berg) Appropriates \$14 million for park acquisition. Passed with reduced appropriations.

SB 907 (Collier) Establishes a State Seashore System and appropriates \$64 million for seashore land acquisition. Passed.

AB 920 (Dunlap) Creates a \$60 million open space fund financed by a real estate transfer tax. Defeated.

SB 1198 (Mills) Creates a California Environmental Improvement Authority to give public agencies \$200 million in assistance for environmental improvement projects. Vetoed.

SB 1498 (Nejedly) Establishes a California Wilderness Preservation System and bans commercial enterprises and permanent roads in State Wilderness Areas. Passed.

SB 1644 (Collier) Requires that the first \$7 million in State Park System revenue collected each year be paid into a fund for acquisition, planning and development of State Park system projects. Passed.

SB 1766 (Behr) Requires the Fish and Game Commission to regulate the import and possession of wild animals by pet shops and individuals. Requires publication of captivity standards. Passed.

SB 1981 (Nejedly) Authorizes preparation of a plan for protection of the Suisun Marsh (which includes nearly 10% of California's remaining natural wetlands). Appropriates funds for state acquisition of some Suisun marshlands. Passed.

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Table with columns for bill numbers (e.g., SB283, AB1250, SB1575) and rows of 'Y' and 'N' votes for each legislator. Includes a 'FLOOR' row and a 'COMMITTEE' row at the bottom.

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