

Representatives

2005-2006 SCORECARD

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		DISTRICT	PARTY	Casino Const. Amndt. (3 votes)	Separation of Powers (9 votes/1 weighted 2)	Campaigns & Elections (9 votes/1 weighted 2)	Ethics & Lobby Disci. (7 votes/2 weighted 2)	Media, Open Govt. (5 votes)	Pro Votes	Anti Votes	Not Voting	FINAL AVERAGE
William J. Murphy	W. Warwick 02893	26	D	0%	50%	70%	56%	100%	21	13	2	60.0%
Edith H. Ajello	Providence 02904	03	D	33%	60%	100%	67%	100%	27	8	1	76.1%
Joseph S. Almeida	Providence 02905	12	D	0%	40%	50%	56%	60%	16	13	6	50.0%
Joseph N. Amaral	Tiverton 02878	70	R	100%	70%	80%	67%	100%	28	7	1	78.9%
Fausto C. Anguilla	Bristol 02809	68	D	0%	60%	40%	67%	80%	19	5	11	64.4%
Todd R. Brien	Woonsocket 02895	50	D	100%	60%	60%	78%	80%	25	7	4	73.5%
David A. Caprio	Narragansett 02882	34	D	100%	50%	60%	56%	100%	23	10	3	66.7%
Kenneth Carter	Saunderstown 02874	31	D	0%	40%	100%	56%	100%	23	11	2	65.7%
Raymond C. Church	N. Smithfield 02896	48	D	0%	60%	100%	78%	80%	26	9	1	73.2%
Elaine A. Coderre	Pawtucket 02860	40	D	0%	50%	80%	56%	80%	21	13	2	60.0%
Arthur J. Corvese	N. Providence 02904	55	D	0%	50%	30%	83%	100%	17	9	5	59.6%
Steven M. Costantino	Providence 02909	08	D	0%	60%	60%	44%	100%	21	12	3	60.9%
Paul W. Crowley	Newport 02840	75	D	33%	40%	60%	44%	40%	17	9	9	55.7%
James F. Davey	Cranston 02921	15	D	100%	60%	70%	78%	40%	24	5	6	75.0%
Elizabeth M. Dennigan	E. Providence 02916	62	D	33%	60%	80%	100%	100%	28	8	0	77.8%
John J. DeSimone	Providence 02904	05	D	0%	50%	60%	78%	60%	20	6	9	65.6%
Grace Diaz	Providence 02905	11	D	0%	60%	60%	56%	100%	21	11	3	62.7%
Laurence W. Ehrhardt	N. Kingstown 02852	32	D	100%	90%	70%	78%	80%	29	5	2	82.9%
Joseph L. Faria	Central Falls 02863	56	D	0%	50%	90%	56%	60%	21	11	4	61.8%
Robert E. Flaherty	Warwick 02886	23	D	0%	50%	40%	33%	80%	15	10	10	50.0%
Gordon D. Fox	Providence 02906	04	D	0%	60%	70%	50%	80%	20	13	2	58.8%
Raymond E. Gallison, Jr.	Bristol 02809	69	D	0%	60%	80%	56%	100%	23	13	0	63.9%
Al Gemma	Warwick 02886	20	D	0%	60%	100%	67%	100%	26	10	0	72.2%
Joanne M. Giannini	Providence 02908	07	D	67%	60%	50%	100%	100%	25	8	2	73.5%
Peter T. Ginaitt	Warwick 02889	22	D	0%	50%	20%	17%	100%	12	7	11	49.0%
Nicholas Gorham	Greene 02827	40	R	100%	100%	60%	67%	80%	28	7	1	78.9%
Arthur Handy	Cranston 02910	18	D	0%	50%	80%	67%	60%	21	9	5	64.6%
J. Russell Jackson	Newport 02840	73	D	33%	50%	90%	67%	100%	25	10	1	70.4%
Robert B. Jacquard	Cranston 02910	17	D	0%	50%	20%	78%	80%	17	10	8	54.8%
Brian P. Kennedy	Ashaway 02804	38	D	0%	60%	60%	67%	100%	22	10	3	65.7%
Peter F. Kilmartin	Pawtucket 02861	61	D	0%	50%	70%	44%	100%	20	13	3	58.0%
Donald J. Lally, Jr.	Narragansett 02882	33	D	0%	50%	70%	67%	80%	21	12	3	60.9%
Norman L. Landroche, Jr.	W. Warwick 02893	27	D	33%	50%	80%	56%	100%	23	12	1	64.8%
David E. Laroche	Woonsocket 02895	49	D	100%	90%	70%	56%	80%	27	1	7	85.7%
Peter L. Lewis	Westerly 02891	37	D	0%	60%	70%	56%	100%	22	13	1	62.0%
Charlene M. Lima	Cranston 02920	14	D	0%	60%	80%	44%	100%	22	12	2	62.9%
Bruce J. Long	Middletown 02842	74	R	100%	80%	70%	89%	100%	30	5	1	84.5%
John J. Loughlin, II	Tiverton 02878	71	R	100%	100%	70%	89%	60%	30	5	1	84.5%
Jan P. Malik	Warren 02885	67	D	0%	40%	80%	78%	60%	21	10	5	62.7%
John J. McCauley, Jr.	Providence 02908	01	D	0%	40%	30%	44%	40%	12	7	14	46.2%
Matthew J. McHugh	S. Kingstown 02879	36	D	100%	100%	60%	78%	100%	30	6	0	83.3%
William J. McManus	Lincoln 02865	46	I	100%	80%	70%	78%	40%	26	6	4	76.5%
Joseph M. McNamara	Warwick 02888	19	D	0%	60%	80%	22%	80%	19	12	4	57.6%
Helio Melo	E. Providence 02914	64	D	0%	50%	80%	67%	100%	23	11	2	65.7%
Rene R. Menard	Manville 02838	45	D	100%	100%	70%	89%	100%	32	4	0	88.9%
Victor G. Moffitt	Coventry 02816	28	R	100%	70%	80%	67%	100%	28	7	1	78.9%
Joseph P. Moran, III	Central Falls 02863	57	D	33%	60%	60%	56%	80%	21	13	2	60.0%
Paul E. Moura	Providence 02903	02	D	0%	40%	80%	44%	80%	19	9	7	60.3%
Carol A. Mumford	Hope 02831	41	R	67%	80%	60%	44%	100%	24	9	2	70.6%
Eileen S. Naughton	Warwick 02889	21	D	0%	60%	70%	83%	100%	22	9	1	69.8%
J. Patrick O'Neill	Pawtucket 02860	59	D	0%	60%	90%	44%	100%	24	11	1	67.6%
Edwin R. Pacheco	Pascoag 02859	47	D	0%	40%	60%	44%	100%	19	7	8	63.3%
Peter G. Palumbo	Cranston 02920	16	D	0%	50%	20%	56%	40%	13	7	14	48.1%
Peter J. Petrarca	Lincoln 02865	44	D	0%	60%	70%	78%	100%	24	9	3	69.6%
Roger A. Picard	Woonsocket 02895	51	D	33%	60%	80%	67%	80%	24	11	1	67.6%
Amy G. Rice	Portsmouth 02871	72	D	0%	40%	30%	44%	80%	15	13	7	47.6%
Henry C. Rose	E. Providence 02915	63	D	0%	50%	70%	67%	100%	22	11	3	63.8%
William San Bento	Pawtucket 02860	58	D	0%	50%	50%	44%	20%	15	13	8	46.9%
John A. Savage	E. Providence 02915	65	R	33%	80%	80%	67%	80%	26	8	2	74.3%
Gregory J. Schadone	N. Providence 02911	54	D	0%	50%	70%	56%	100%	21	13	2	60.0%
Joseph H. Scott	Exeter 02822	39	R	100%	30%	30%	11%	80%	13	8	13	47.3%
John P. Shanley	S. Kingstown 02879	35	D	33%	60%	70%	56%	80%	22	7	5	69.8%
Richard W. Singleton	Cumberland 02864	52	R	67%	90%	50%	78%	80%	26	3	6	81.3%
Thomas C. Slater	Providence 02907	10	D	33%	50%	80%	44%	100%	22	8	5	67.7%
Steven F. Smith	Providence 02919	13	D	33%	40%	40%	78%	60%	18	11	7	55.4%
Susan A. Story	Barrington 02806	66	R	100%	100%	70%	78%	100%	31	5	0	86.1%
Raymond J. Sullivan, Jr.	Coventry 02816	29	D	33%	60%	100%	56%	100%	26	10	1	71.2%
Joseph A. Trillo	Warwick 02818	24	R	100%	70%	70%	67%	80%	26	4	2	83.9%
Steven R. Ucci	Johnston 02919	42	D	100%	40%	40%	33%	60%	16	10	9	52.5%
Joseph J. Voccola	Johnston 02919	43	D	67%	20%	10%	0%	60%	8	1	23	39.0%
Peter N. Wasylyk	Providence 02909	06	D	67%	33%	40%	89%	20%	17	8	10	56.7%
Robert A. Watson	E. Greenwich 02818	30	R	67%	90%	50%	63%	60%	23	9	3	68.7%
Anastasia P. Williams	Providence 02909	09	D	0%	40%	30%	0%	100%	12	9	13	43.6%
Timothy A. Williamson	W. Warwick 02893	25	D	0%	40%	60%	56%	60%	17	9	9	55.7%
Thomas J. Winfield	Smithfield 02828	53	D	67%	70%	60%	67%	60%	23	7	6	69.7%

AVERAGE PERCENTAGES/TOTAL VOTES: 34.7% 58.8% 64.1% 60.2% 81.6% 1615 654 337 66.3%

Senators

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Joseph A. Montalbano	N. Providence 02904	17	D	0%	75%	71%	33%	100%	19	11	1	62.3%
Dennis L. Algieri	Westerly 02891	38	R	100%	88%	71%	33%	100%	22	4	4	78.6%
Stephen D. Alves	W. Warwick 02893	32	D	0%	50%	71%	0%	100%	15	12	3	52.6%
Roger R. Badeau	Woonsocket 02895	20	D	0%	63%	71%	33%	60%	16	11	4	55.2%
David E. Bates	Barrington 02806	09	R	100%	88%	86%	33%	100%	23	7	1	75.4%
Leo R. Blais	Coventry 02816	24	R	100%	88%	57%	33%	100%	21	7	3	71.2%
Kevin A. Breene	W. Greenwich 02817	34	R	100%	63%	71%	33%	100%	20	4	6	74.1%
Frank T. Caprio	Providence 02903	05	D	100%	88%	71%	83%	80%	24	5	2	80.0%
Frank A. Ciccone, III	Providence 02909	03	D	0%	63%	71%	33%	100%	18	8	4	64.3%
Daniel P. Connors	Cumberland 02864	19	D	0%	63%	71%	33%	100%	18	8	3	65.5%
Marc A. Cote	Woonsocket 02895	21	D	100%	75%	57%	83%	100%	23	6	2	76.7%
Michael J. Damiani	Riverside 02915	18	D	0%	50%	43%	0%	100%	13	8	8	52.0%
Daniel DaPonte	E. Providence 02914	14	D	0%	63%	71%	33%	80%	17	11	3	57.6%
James E. Doyle, II	Pawtucket 02861	08	D	0%	75%	71%	33%	100%	19	11	1	62.3%
Walter S. Felag, Jr.	Warren 02885	10	D	0%	75%	71%	33%	100%	19	11	1	62.3%
Paul W. Fogarty	Harmony 02829	23	D	0%	63%	71%	33%	100%	18	9	3	63.2%
Hanna M. Gallo	Cranston 02920	27	D	0%	75%	71%	50%	80%	19	9	2	65.5%
June N. Gibbs	Middletown 02842	12	R	100%	88%	86%	50%	100%	24	6	1	78.7%
Maryellen Goodwin	Providence 02908	01	D	0%	50%	71%	33%	80%	16	11	4	55.2%
Daniel J. Issa	Central Falls 02863	16	D	50%	63%	71%	33%	100%	18	11	2	60.0%
Beatrice A. Lanzi	Cranston 02921	26	D	0%	75%	40%	33%	100%	16	11	1	58.2%
J. Michael Lenihan	E. Greenwich 02818	35	D	100%	100%	100%	83%	100%	27	2	2	90.0%
Charles J. Levesque	Portsmouth 02871	11	D	0%	75%	71%	83%	100%	22	6	2	75.9%
John F. McBurney, III	Pawtucket 02860	15	D	0%	50%	43%	33%	40%	12	8	10	48.0%
Michael J. McCaffrey	Warwick 02889	29	D	0%	63%	71%	33%	100%	17	12	2	56.7%
Harold M. Metts	Providence 02907	06	D	0%	75%	71%	50%	100%	20	11	0	64.5%
M. Teresa Paiva-Weed	Newport 02840	13	D	0%	75%	40%	33%	100%	16	10	0	61.5%
Rhoda E. Perry	Providence 02906	03	D	50%	75%	86%	83%	100%	24	6	1	78.7%
Juan M. Pichardo	Providence 02907	02	D	50%	75%	43%	33%	100%	18	11	2	60.0%
Joseph M. Polisenia	Johnston 02919	25	D	50%	75%	43%	33%	80%	17	13	1	55.7%
Leonidas P. Raptakis	Coventry 02816	33	D	100%	88%	0%	33%	100%	16	10	4	57.1%
John C. Revens, Jr.	Warwick 02886	31	D	100%	75%	71%	0%	100%	18	10	2	62.1%
Elizabeth H. Roberts	Cranston 02905	28	D	100%	88%	100%	83%	100%	27	3	1	88.5%
Dominick J. Ruggerio	Providence 02904	04	D	0%	50%	71%	33%	100%	17	12	2	56.7%
James C. Sheehan	N. Kingstown 02852	36	D	50%	75%	57%	83%	100%	22	8	1	72.1%
V. Susan Sosnowski	W. Kingston 02892	37	D	50%	75%	71%	33%	100%	20	11	0	64.5%
John J. Tassoni, Jr.	Smithfield 02917	22	D	0%	75%	71%	33%	100%	19	12	0	61.3%
William A. Walaska	Warwick 02889	30	D	50%	75%	71%	33%	80%	19	11	1	62.3%
AVERAGE PERCENTAGES/TOTAL VOTES:				39.2%	72.0%	66.3%	41.4%	94.1%	710	326	89	65.5%

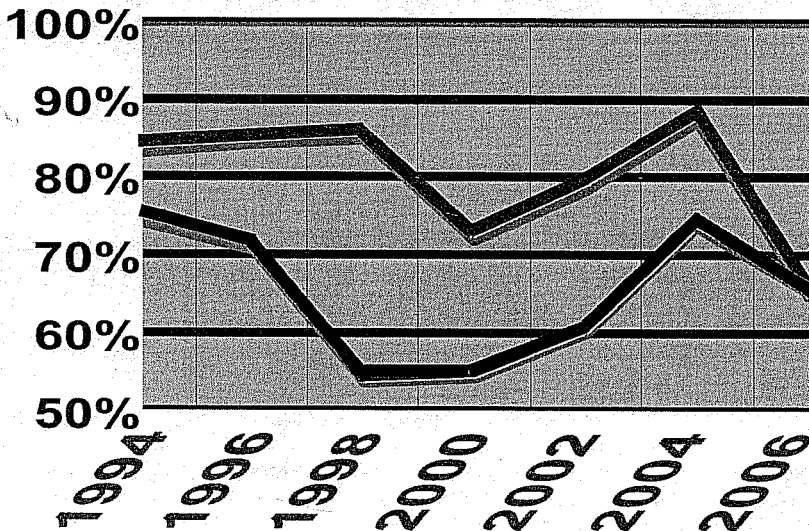
COMPUTING VOTES, NOTING ABSTENTIONS

Common Cause counted 25 Senate votes and 32 House votes from Senate and House Journals in this 2-year scorecard. Lobbying, testimony, printed communications, or e-mail laid out the Common Cause position before voting on most of the issues. Only votes on the House or Senate floor were counted. Votes are calculated as "Pro-votes" if they advanced positions advocated by Common Cause. Within issue areas, the number of pro-votes is divided by the total possible in that area (i.e. 3 pro-ethics votes out of 4 possible gives 75%). When a lawmaker abstains because of a potential conflict-of-interest, he/she is required by law to note the reason on a recusal statement in House or Senate Journals. In this scorecard, scores affected by recusals appear in boxes, and formulas have been adjusted so that a recusal neither hurts nor helps that lawmaker's final score.

Half of each lawmaker's absences are factored into the FINAL AVERAGE under this formula:
(Pro-votes) - ((Pro-votes + Anti-votes) + (Nonvoting - 2)) = (FINAL AVERAGE)

As explained in the narrative, the Common Cause Rhode Island State Governing Board voted to double-weight several votes because of their extraordinary importance. The full spreadsheet with individual votes is online at www.commoncauseri.org.

In the seventh Common Cause scorecard, the House average drops, and the Senate hits a new low.



Senate LEADERSHIP

Kelly/Irons 1993-2000
 Irons/Montalbano 2000-2003
 Montalbano/Paiva-Weed 2004-NOW

House LEADERSHIP

Harwood/Caruolo 1993-1998
 Harwood/Martineau 1998-2002
 Murphy/Fox 2003-NOW

PLEASE NOTE CORRECTION TO SENATE SCORES:

A mistake in Senate formulas has been corrected from the printed version of the 2006 Legislative Scorecard to the online version, printed here. Data from two additional columns in the master spreadsheet were inadvertently computed in the 12-page Common Cause Report newsletter, which was printed and mailed before we found this error. The corrected Senate scores are listed here, raising the Senate's average 1.3% (from 65.5% to 66.8%). Most senators' individual scores also rose by small amounts. A note of this correction is included in the online version, all press advisories, and in distribution of remaining printed copies. We in Common Cause apologize for any inconvenience or confusion this may have caused.

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Joseph A. Montalbano	N. Providence 02904	17	D	0%	75%	71%	33%	100%	18	10	1	63.2%	
Dennis L. Algieri	Westerly 02891	38	R	100%	88%	71%	33%	100%	21	3	4	80.8%	
Stephen D. Alves	W. Warwick 02893	32	D	0%	50%	71%	0%	100%	14	11	3	52.8%	
Roger R. Badeau	Woonsocket 02895	20	D	0%	63%	71%	33%	60%	15	10	4	55.6%	
David E. Bates	Barrington 02805	09	R	100%	88%	86%	33%	100%	22	6	1	77.2%	
Leo R. Blais	Coventry 02816	24	R	100%	88%	57%	33%	100%	20	6	3	72.7%	
Kevin A. Breene	W. Greenwich 02817	34	R	100%	63%	71%	33%	100%	19	3	6	76.0%	
Frank T. Caprio	Providence 02903	05	D	100%	88%	71%	83%	80%	23	4	2	82.1%	
Frank A. Ciccone, III	Providence 02909	03	D	0%	63%	71%	33%	100%	17	7	4	65.4%	
Daniel P. Connors	Cumberland 02864	19	D	0%	63%	71%	33%	100%	17	8	3	64.2%	
Marc A. Cote	Woonsocket 02895	21	D	100%	75%	57%	83%	100%	22	5	2	78.6%	
Michael J. Damiani	Riverside 02915	18	D	0%	50%	43%	0%	100%	12	8	8	50.0%	
Daniel DaPonte	E. Providence 02914	14	D	0%	63%	71%	33%	80%	16	10	3	58.2%	
James E. Doyle, II	Pawtucket 02861	08	D	0%	75%	71%	33%	100%	18	10	1	63.2%	
Walter S. Felag, Jr.	Warren 02885	10	D	0%	75%	71%	33%	100%	18	10	1	63.2%	
Paul W. Fogarty	Harmony 02829	23	D	0%	63%	71%	33%	100%	17	8	3	64.2%	
Hanna M. Gallo	Cranston 02920	27	D	0%	75%	71%	50%	80%	18	8	2	66.7%	
June N. Gibbs	Middletown 02842	12	R	100%	88%	86%	50%	100%	23	5	1	80.7%	
Maryellen Goodwin	Providence 02908	01	D	0%	50%	71%	33%	80%	15	10	4	55.6%	
Daniel J. Issa	Central Falls 02863	16	D	50%	63%	71%	33%	100%	18	10	1	63.2%	
Beatrice A. Lanzi	Cranston 02921	26	D	0%	75%	40%	33%	100%	15	10	1	58.8%	
J. Michael Lenihan	E. Greenwich 02818	35	D	100%	100%	100%	83%	100%	27	1	1	94.7%	
Charles J. Levesque	Portsmouth 02871	11	D	0%	75%	71%	83%	100%	21	5	2	77.8%	
John F. McBurney, III	Pawtucket 02860	15	D	0%	50%	43%	33%	40%	11	7	10	47.8%	
Michael J. McCaffrey	Warwick 02889	29	D	0%	63%	71%	33%	100%	17	11	1	59.6%	
Harold M. Metts	Providence 02907	06	D	0%	75%	71%	50%	100%	19	10	0	65.5%	
M. Teresa Paiva-Weed	Newport 02840	13	D	0%	75%	40%	33%	100%	15	9	0	62.5%	
Rhoda E. Perry	Providence 02906	03	D	50%	75%	86%	83%	100%	23	5	1	80.7%	
Juan M. Pichardo	Providence 02907	02	D	50%	75%	43%	33%	100%	17	10	2	60.7%	
Joseph M. Polisena	Johnston 02919	25	D	50%	75%	43%	33%	80%	16	12	1	56.1%	
Leonidas P. Raptakis	Coventry 02816	33	D	100%	88%	0%	33%	100%	16	9	3	60.4%	
John C. Revens, Jr.	Warwick 02886	31	D	100%	75%	71%	0%	100%	18	9	1	65.5%	
Elizabeth H. Roberts	Cranston 02905	28	D	100%	88%	100%	83%	100%	26	2	1	91.2%	
Dominick J. Ruggerio	Providence 02904	04	D	0%	50%	71%	33%	100%	16	11	2	57.1%	
James C. Sheehan	N. Kingstown 02852	36	D	50%	75%	57%	83%	100%	21	7	1	73.7%	
V. Susan Sosnowski	W. Kingston 02892	37	D	50%	75%	71%	33%	100%	19	10	0	65.5%	
John J. Tassoni, Jr.	Smithfield 02917	22	D	0%	75%	71%	33%	100%	18	11	0	62.1%	
William A. Walaska	Warwick 02889	30	D	50%	75%	71%	33%	80%	18	10	1	63.2%	
AVERAGES/TOTALS:					39.2%	72.0%	66.3%	41.4%	94.1%	678	291	84	66.8%

COMPUTING VOTES, NOTING ABSTENTIONS

Common Cause counted 25 Senate votes and 32 House votes from Senate and House Journals in this 2-year scorecard. Lobbying, testimony, printed communications, or e-mail laid out the Common Cause position before voting on most of the issues. Only votes on the House or Senate floor were counted. Votes are calculated as "Pro-votes" if they advanced positions advocated by Common Cause.

Within issue areas, the number of pro-votes is divided by the total possible in that area (i.e. 3 pro-ethics votes out of 4 possible gives 75%). When a lawmaker abstains because of a potential conflict-of-interest, he/she is required by law to note the reason on a recusal statement in House or Senate Journals. In the scorecard summary, scores affected by abstentions recorded in House and Senate Journals appear in shaded boxes, and formulas have been adjusted so that an abstention neither hurts nor helps that lawmaker's final score. Half of each lawmaker's absences are factored into the FINAL AVERAGE under this formula:

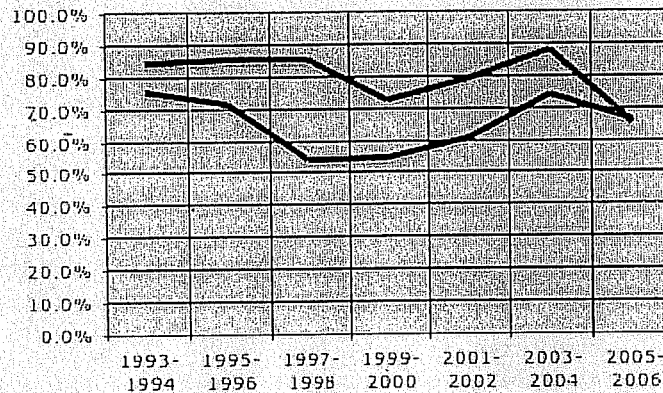
$$(\text{Pro-votes}) \div ((\text{Pro-votes} + \text{Anti-votes}) + (\text{Nonvoting} \div 2)) = (\text{FINAL AVERAGE})$$

As explained in the narrative, the Common Cause Rhode Island State Governing Board voted to double-weight several votes because of their extraordinary importance. The full spreadsheet with individual votes is online at www.commoncauseri.org.

CURRENT SCORES IN HISTORICAL PERSPECTIVE

	1995-1996	1997-1998	1999-2000	2001-2002	2003-2004	2005-2006
Senate	84.1%	85.4%	72.7%	79.5%	88.2%	66.8%
House	75.3%	71.5%	54.3%	54.8%	60.7%	66.3%

In seventh Common Cause scorecard, the House average drops, and the Senate hits a new low



SENATE LEADERSHIP	
Kelly/Irons	1993-2000
Irons/Montalbano	2000-2003
Montalbano/Paiva-Weed	2004-NOW
HOUSE LEADERSHIP	
Harwood/Caruolo	1993-1998
Harwood/Martineau	1998-2002
Murphy/Fox	2003-NOW