

Louisiana Family Forum Action

Family Security Advisory

2008 Regular Session - LA Senate

Senators	Party	District	City	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	T
Bill Cassidy	R	16	Baton Rouge	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Jack Donahue	R	11	Mandeville	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Gerald Long	R	31	Winnfield	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Mike Walsworth	R	33	West Monroe	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Neil Riser	R	32	Columbia	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	?	100%
A.G. Crowe	R	1	Slidell	+	+	+	+	+	+	?	+	+	100%
Bob Kostelka	R	35	Monroe	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	89%
Blade Morrish	R	25	Jennings	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	89%
Joe McPherson	D	29	Woodworth	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	?	88%
John Smith	D	30	Leesville	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	?	?	88%
Nick Gautreaux	D	26	Abbeville	+	+	+	+	+	?	+	-	?	88%
Troy Hebert	D	22	New Iberia	+	+	+	+	+	?	+	-	?	88%
David Heitmeier	D	7	New Orleans	+	+	+	+	+	?	+	-	?	88%
Jody Amedee	D	18	Gonzales	+	?	+	+	+	-	+	?	?	86%
Sharon Broome	D	15	Baton Rouge	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	?	78%
Dale Erdey	R	13	Livingston	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	?	78%
Ben Nevers	D	12	Bogalusa	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	?	78%
Buddy Shaw	R	37	Shreveport	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	78%
John Alario	D	8	Westwego	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	?	78%
Sherri Cheek	R	38	Keithville	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	?	78%
Willie Mount	D	27	Lake Charles	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	?	78%
Francis Thompson	R	34	Delhi	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	?	78%
Danny Martiny	R	10	Metairie	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	?	?	75%
Mike Michot	R	23	Lafayette	?	+	+	+	-	-	+	+	?	75%
Julie Quinn	R	6	Metairie	+	+	+	?	+	-	+	-	?	75%
Robert Adley	R	36	Benton	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	?	67%
Joel Chaisson	D	19	Destrehan	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	?	67%
Don Cravins	D	24	Opelousas	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	?	67%
Ann Duplessis	D	2	New Orleans	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	?	67%
Reggie Dupre	D	20	Houma	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	-	?	67%
Butch Gautreaux	D	21	Morgan City	+	+	+	+	-	-	?	-	?	63%
Derrick Shephard	D	3	Marrero	?	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	?	63%
Yvonne Dorsey	D	14	Baton Rouge	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	?	56%
Rob Marionneau	D	17	Livonia	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	?	56%
Ed Murray	D	4	New Orleans	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	?	56%
Lydia Jackson	D	39	Shreveport	?	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	?	50%
Eric LaFleur	D	28	Ville Platte	+	-	?	+	-	-	+	-	?	50%
Cheryl Gray	D	5	New Orleans	+	-	?	-	+	-	-	+	?	38%
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COLOR KEY	
Outstanding Family Advocate	Green
Family Advocate	Blue
Average	Yellow
Needs Improvement	Orange
Hall of Shame	Red

CHART KEY	
+	= Pro-family Vote
-	= Anti-family Vote
?	= Not Voting/Absent
NIO	= Not In Office
i	= Journal Notes Change in Senator's Vote Preference

Explanation of Information

Louisiana Family Forum believes elected officials should support policies and programs that protect and promote families and traditional family values in Louisiana.

To accomplish this goal, Louisiana Family Forum Action, the advocacy arm of Louisiana Family Forum, educates the public about legislation and voting records. Legislators scoring 100% are recognized as Outstanding Family Advocates.

Note: LFF Action utilizes the official voting records of the Louisiana Legislature. In the House, members are allowed to change their votes in the Official Record. In the Senate, members are not allowed to change their votes. However, "on a debatable question each member shall be allowed to explain his vote in writing only, and the explanation shall be incorporated in the Journal, if requested." (Senate Rule 12.1 B) Journal notations are described above.

1. HUMAN CLONING PUBLIC FUNDING BAN

HB 370 (Henry) [Final Passage]

Bans the use of federal and state funding for human cloning.

Status: Signed by the Governor.

Yes = 35 (+) No = 0 (-) Not Voting = 3 (?)

*Senate Journal notes that Sen. Michot appeared absent, but intended to vote "yea."

2. SCHOOL CHOICE

HB 1347 (Badon) [Final Passage]

Provides 1500 school choice scholarships for low income students attending failing schools in Orleans parish.

Status: Signed by the Governor.

Yes = 25 (+) No = 12 (-) Not Voting = 1 (?)

3. SCIENCE EDUCATION ACT

SB 733 (Nevers) [Concurrence]

Fosters an environment within public schools that promotes critical thinking skills, logical analysis, and open and objective discussion of controversial scientific theories.

Status: Signed by the Governor.

Yes = 36 (+) No = 0 (-) Not Voting = 2 (?)

4. REAL ID REVOLT

HB 715 (Geymann) [Final Passage]

Directs the Department of Public Safety and Corrections not to implement the intrusive federal REAL ID Act of 2005.

Status: Signed by the Governor.

Yes = 36 (+) No = 2 (-) Not Voting = 0 (?)

5. STELLY TAX REPEAL

SB 87 (Shaw) [Final Passage]

Repeals the 2002 Stelly Income Tax Hike.

Status: Signed by the Governor

Yes = 38 (+) No = 0 (-) Not Voting = 1 (?)

6. LEGISLATIVE PAY RAISE

SB 672 (Duplessis) [Concurrence]

Controversial immediate 105% increase of annual legislative salaries with automatic annual cost of living raises.

Status: Vetoes by the Governor.

Yes = 20 (-) No = 18 (+) Not Voting = 0 (?)

7. TRUCK STOP GAMBLING EXPANSION

HB 247 (Wooton) [Final Passage]

Expedites the placement of video poker machines in truck stop casinos, eliminating fuel sale requirements for first 90 days.

Status: Became law without the Governor's signature.

Yes = 20 (-) No = 14 (+) Not Voting = 4 (?)

*Senate Journal notes that Sen. Thompson voted "yea," but intended to vote "nay."

8. CHILD SUPPORT FROM WINNINGS

HB 341 (Johnson) [Final Passage]

Requires casinos to redirect a gambler's winnings for payment of the gambler's past due child support.

Status: Died on House Floor.

Yes = 37 (+) No = 0 (-) Not Voting = 1 (?)

9. HORSE RACING TRACK GAMBLING EXPANSION

HB 937 (St. Germain) [Final Passage]

Authorizes a live horse racing facility and conducting of slot machine gaming at a facility in Iberville Parish.

Status: Vetoes by the Governor.

Yes = 22 (-) No = 11 (+) Not Voting = 5 (?)

*Senate Journal notes that Sen. Quinn voted "yea," but intended to vote "nay."



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