

***Sierra Club - John Muir Chapter  
2010 Legislative Scorecard***



***Protecting Wisconsin's Air, Water and Wild Places  
for Future Generations***

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**The Sierra Club - John Muir Chapter** is your statewide voice for the nation's oldest, largest and most influential grassroots environmental organization. Our members include 15,000 of your friends and neighbors located throughout Wisconsin, following the footsteps of legendary Wisconsin conservationists, including Sierra Club founder, John Muir, Aldo Leopold, Sigurd Olson and Gaylord Nelson. Inspired by Wisconsin's beautiful lakes, forests, and other natural features, we work together to protect our communities and the planet.

**The Mission of the Sierra Club** is to explore, enjoy, and protect the wild places of the earth; to practice and promote the responsible use of the earth's ecosystems and resources; to educate and enlist humanity to protect and restore the quality of the natural and human environment; and to use all lawful means to carry out those objectives.



**Sierra Club - John Muir Chapter's 2009 - 10 Legislative Scorecard** reflects votes taken by the Wisconsin State Assembly and State Senate on environmental bills. Our scorecard focuses on bills related to the John Muir Chapter's priority issues of reducing global warming and protecting water resources in Wisconsin. Use this scorecard as a guide to judge candidates in your district this election year. Let your representatives know if you're pleased or disappointed with their voting records. **And don't forget to vote in the primary election on September 14 and the general election on November 2, 2010.** You can learn about bills that affect you by using our Legislative Tracker on the Chapter website at <http://wisconsin.sierraclub.org/tracker>. This tool provides you with the status of and Sierra Club's position on key environmental bills. While you're on our website, check out our Action Alerts <http://wisconsin.sierraclub.org/involve/action.htm>, which includes timely information on how you can take action on critical environmental issues.

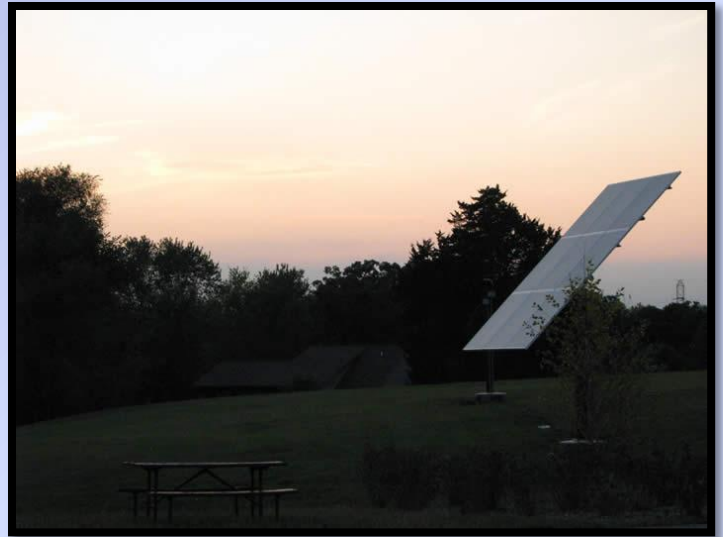
**Thank you for taking an interest in environmental legislation** by picking up this guide and for all the other things you do to participate in the democratic process. Your efforts contribute to a cleaner environment and a healthier future for Wisconsin.

# ***The Sierra Club - John Muir Chapter Priorities: Protecting Wisconsin's Air, Water & Wild Places***

The John Muir Chapter's priority issues are reducing the threat of climate change and protecting water resources. Group and Chapter leaders also work on a broad range of related environmental issues throughout Wisconsin, such as air quality, forest protection, threatened and endangered species, reducing environmental toxins, invasive species, smart growth, recycling and waste disposal, agricultural policies, and more. *We are also active in local elections, since one of our best hopes for long term gains is building a strong legislative base to protect our environment.*

## ***Reducing Global Warming -***

The Sierra Club - John Muir Chapter is working to make Wisconsin a nationwide leader in enacting policies to reduce global warming. We served on **Governor Doyle's Global Warming Task Force**, and we are working to implement policy recommendations, such as regulating greenhouse gases and expanding transportation options. We continue to work to move state-owned power plants away from burning coal, a major contributor to climate change and mercury pollution.



## ***Protecting Wisconsin's Water Resources -***

The Sierra Club - John Muir Chapter supports statewide water conservation policies for wise water use inside and outside of the Great Lakes basin. New regulations are needed to protect groundwater quantity and quality, to curb invasive species, and to protect drinking water and sensitive habitats from polluted agricultural, industrial and municipal runoff. We are also working to ensure that the Department of Natural Resources passes strong rules to implement the Great Lakes Compact.

# ***The Sierra Club - John Muir Chapter***

## ***2009-10 Legislative Recap***

Unfortunately, the state legislature failed to pass major bills that would have advanced clean energy, clean transportation, and protected our water resources last session. The Assembly also fell short of the 2/3 majority needed to override Governor Doyle's veto of the Independent DNR Secretary bill (AB 138) on February 23.

The Sierra Club strongly supported the Clean Energy Jobs Act (SB 450 / AB 649) because it would have enhanced goals to get 25% of our energy from renewable sources by 2025, created goal-based investments in energy efficiency, and included key clean transportation policies. After being introduced in January 2010 we testified at five public hearings. After being amended, CEJA passed out of the Assembly Clean Energy Jobs Committee, but failed to receive a vote on the full Assembly or Senate floor.

Another key bill, Assembly Bill 282, would have enabled local communities to form regional transit authorities (RTAs) and allowed them to raise dedicated funds for transit. The Assembly Committee on Transportation passed AB 282 by a bipartisan vote of 8-1 after amending it to include key provisions for southeastern Wisconsin and the Fox Cities. Unfortunately, this bill, vitally needed to protect bus drivers' jobs in Milwaukee and imperiled transit operating funds, did not pass. We will keep working to expand options and reduce our dependence on oil next time around.

We supported bills to protect our groundwater (SB 620 / AB 844) and reduce improper waste spreading (SB 632). With all the media attention on contaminated drinking water and surface water drawdowns, it is a shame that action will be delayed on these critical issues.

Despite these disappointments, several laws were enacted during the 2009-10 legislative session that will move us forward for cleaner water and cleaner energy in Wisconsin. We passed a State Budget (2009 Act 28) that enabled the creation of Regional Transit Authorities (RTAs) in Dane County, Chippewa Valley, and Chequamegon Bay; enabled the creation of a special RTA for the Kenosha-Racine-Milwaukee commuter rail project; required road projects to have complete streets with bicycle and pedestrian access; increased waste tipping fees to \$13 / ton, restored the clean sweep program for hazardous waste collection; and provided crucial staff to implement the Great Lakes Compact.

We passed two bills to protect Wisconsin's waters from toxic algal blooms caused by excess nutrients with the Clean Lakes Bill to restrict phosphorus lawn fertilizer (2009 Act 9) and another bill to restrict phosphorus in household detergents (2009 Act 63). We designated the first additions to our state's Wild River system in 44 years when we passed bills to protect the Totogatic and Brunswelier Rivers (2009 Acts 32 and 7).

We passed three bills to stop harmful toxins from entering

landfills and polluting our water supplies by requiring recycling of electronic waste (2009 Act 50) and motor oil filters (2009 Act 86) and prohibiting the sale of household products containing the neurotoxin Mercury (2009 Act 44). We helped protect children and babies from exposure to the harmful plastic additive bisphenol-A (BPA) in cups and bottles when we passed the BPA-free Kids Act (2009 Act 145), championed by Rep. Kelda Helen Roys and Sen. Julie Lassa.



We took a major step forward for campaign finance reform when Governor Doyle signed Impartial Justice Act (2009 Act 89) on December 1, 2009, which requires public financing for our state's Supreme Court elections.

We passed three clean energy bills, one that will enable the Public Service Commission to bring stakeholders together to create fair uniform, statewide siting standards for wind turbines (2009 Act 40) and two Property Assessed Clean Energy (PACE) bills (2009 Acts 11 and 272) to increase people's access to low-interest loans for residential, commercial, and industrial investments in energy efficiency and water conservation.

We supported a law that will protect rail workers and property owners by requiring notification of recent applications of pesticides along right-of-ways (2009 Act 286). We also supported a bill that expands the DNR's ability to enforce ATV trespassers on public lands (2009 Act 252).

The Sierra Club – John Muir Chapter is committed to continuing the fight for clean water, clean transportation and clean energy- effective immediately. Our Political Committee will encourage participation in upcoming elections. We will participate in administrative, Executive, legislative and judicial actions to advance our agenda. And we will continue our educational work to connect friends with Wisconsin's beautiful wild places through our outings program. We look forward to building on our progress next session.

# The Sierra Club - John Muir Chapter

## 2009-10 Senate Bill Descriptions

### **AB 3, Clean Lakes**

Restricts the use and sale of fertilizer containing phosphorus and other turf fertilizer that threaten Wisconsin's waters with toxic algal blooms. STATUS = **PASSED**: Act 9 was signed into law on 04/14/2010.  
**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

### **AB 138, Independent DNR Secretary**

Would have restored the appointment Secretary of the WDNR to the Natural Resources Board. Since becoming a gubernatorial appointment, public confidence has decreased and turnover has increased.  
STATUS = **FAILED**, Passed legislature, Gov. Doyle Vetoed  
**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**



### **SB 40 Impartial Justice**

Promotes a more impartial judiciary by allowing candidates for Supreme Court to receive public financing for elections. STATUS = **PASSED**: 2009 Act 89 was signed into law on 12/01/2009.  
**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

### **SB 107 Electronics Recycling**

Requires that electronic waste producers recycle electronic devices no longer used by consumers to avoid contamination of landfills with toxic substances like mercury, chromium and lead.  
STATUS = **PASSED**: 2009 Act 50 was signed into law on 10/23/2009.  
**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

### **SB 185 Uniform Wind Siting**

Enables the Public Service Commission to bring stakeholders together to create fair, statewide siting standards for small wind energy systems with respect to

visual appearance, setback distances, decibel levels, and interference with radio, TV and phone signals. It also authorizes the DNR to study wildlife impacts. STATUS = **PASSED**: 2009 Act 40 was signed into law on 09/30/2009  
**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

### **SB 271 BPA-free Kids Act**

Protects children and babies from exposure to the harmful plastic additive bisphenol-A (BPA) by requiring cups and bottles to be free of BPA, a known estrogen mimic.  
STATUS = **PASSED**: Gov. Doyle signed 2009 Act 145 into law 03/03/2010.  
**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

### **SB 273 Undermining Wisconsin's Renewable Portfolio**

Allows solar light pipes, an energy efficiency measure, to count towards our RPS. There are better ways to provide incentives for innovative products than undermining our current RPS. STATUS = Amended (see below) and **PASSED**: Act 406 was signed into law on 05/19/2010.  
**Pro-Environment Vote = NAY**

### **Amendment to SB 273**

Allows waste combustion by pyrolysis or plasma gasification towards Wisconsin's Renewable Portfolio Standards. Counting garbage burning as renewable will be an expensive, carbon-intensive process that will emit harmful toxins into the air. This proposal will potentially undermine both our RPS and recycling efforts.  
STATUS = **PASSED** the Senate 26-7 on 04/15/2010.  
**Pro-Environment Vote = NAY**

### **SB 557 Wetland Protection Bill**

Protects wetlands and private landowners by helping landowners identify wetlands on their property and avoid accidental violations of wetland regulations.  
STATUS = **PASSED**: 2009, Act 373 into law on 05/18/2010.  
**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

### **SB 616 Energy Efficient Public Buildings**

Would have saved energy and taxpayer dollars by requiring new and existing public buildings to meet LEED silver certification. Would have also allowed the use of harvested rainwater and grey water for landscaping.  
STATUS = **FAILED**, Passed legislature, Gov. Doyle Vetoed  
**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

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## 2009-10 State Senate Votes

Last Name	First Name	District	Home Town	Party	Score	AB 3 Clean Lakes	AB 138 DNR	SB 40 Imp Justice	SB 107 E- cycling	SB 185 Wind Siting	SB 271 BPA- Free	SB 273 EE in RPS	SB 273 Trash in RPS	SB 557 Wet- lands	SB 616 LEED Bldgs
Carpenter	Tim	3	Milwaukee	(D)	90	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+
Coggs	Spencer	6	Milwaukee	(D)	90	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+
Cowles	Robert	2	Green Bay	(R)	60	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	-
Darling	Alberta	8	River Hills	(R)	40	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-
Decker	Russell	29	Schofield	(D)	80	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+
Ellis	Michael	19	Neenah	(R)	60	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	-
Erpenbach	Jon	27	Middleton	(D)	80	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+
Fitzgerald	Scott	13	Juneau	(R)	40	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-
Grothman	Glenn	20	West Bend	(R)	33	+	-	-	-	A	+	-	-	+	-
Hansen	Dave	30	Green Bay	(D)	80	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+
Harsdorf	Sheila	10	River Falls	(R)	50	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	+	-
Holperin	Jim	12	Conover	(D)	80	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+
Hopper	Randy	18	Fon du Lac	(R)	40	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	-
Jauch	Robert	25	Poplar	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Kanavas	Theodore	33	Brookfield	(R)	30	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-
Kapanke	Dan	32	La Crosse	(R)	50	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	-	+	-
Kedzie	Neal	11	Elkhorn	(R)	30	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-
Kreitlow	Patrick	23	Chippewa Falls	(D)	80	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+
Lasee	Alan	1	DePere	(R)	30	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-
Lassa	Julie	24	Stevens Point	(D)	80	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+
Lazich	Mary	28	New Berlin	(R)	30	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-
Lehman	John	21	Racine	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Leibham	Joseph	9	Sheboygan	(R)	40	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-
Miller	Mark	16	Monona	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Olsen	Luther	14	Ripon	(R)	50	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	-
Plale	Jeffrey	7	South Milwaukee	(D)	80	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+
Risser	Fred	26	Madison	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Robson	Judith	15	Beloit	(D)	100	+	A	A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Schultz	Dale	17	Richland Center	(R)	70	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	+
Sullivan	Jim	5	Wauwatosa	(D)	80	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+
Taylor	Lena	4	Milwaukee	(D)	70	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	+
Vinehout	Kathleen	31	Alma	(D)	70	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	+
Wirch	Robert	22	Pleasant Prairie	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+

A = Absent; P = Paired Vote

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## 2009-10 Assembly Bill Descriptions

### **AB 3, Clean Lakes (see Senate bill description)**

#### **AB 43, Totogatic River Protection Bill**

Affords special protection to part of the Totogatic River by designating as a wild and scenic river. STATUS = **PASSED**: 2009 Act 32 was signed into law on 07/10/2009.

**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

#### **SB 6 Brunsweler River Protection Bill**

Affords special protection to part of the Brunsweler River by designating it as a wild and scenic river. STATUS = **PASSED**: 2009 Act 7 was signed into law on 04/14/2009.

**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

### **SB 40 Impartial Justice (see Senate bill description)**

#### **AB 138 Independent DNR Secretary (see Senate bill description)**

**AB 138 Veto Override, Independent DNR Secretary**  
On 02/23/2010, the Assembly attempted but failed to override Gov. Doyle's veto. STATUS = **FAILED**. **Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

#### **AB 139, Littering Fines**

Increases the maximum penalty for littering from \$500 to \$1,000 to help keep Wisconsin clean. STATUS = **PASSED**: 2009 Act 368 was signed into law on 05/18/2010.

**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

### **SB 185 Uniform Wind Siting (see Senate bill description)**

#### **AB 258, Oil Filter Recycling**

Protects groundwater by prohibiting the disposal of used automotive oil filters and materials that have been used to absorb spilled automotive engine oil in landfills. STATUS = **PASSED**: 2009 Act 86 was signed into law on 12/02/2009.

**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

### **SB 107 Electronics Recycling (see Senate bill description)**

### **AB 281, Bans Phosphorus in Household Cleaning**

**Products** Protects our waters from excess nutrients and harmful algal blooms. STATUS = **PASSED**: Signed into law as 2009 Act 63 on 11/12/2009.

**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

### **SB 200, Bans Mercury in Household Products**

Will regulate the sale of products containing mercury such as fever thermometers, thermostats, measuring devices, switches and relays, and household items. STATUS = **PASSED**: 2009 Wisconsin Act 44 was signed into law on 10/06/09.

**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

### **AB 314, Rail Workers Protection Bill**

Requires railroads to notify their employees those who own land adjacent to the railroad's rights-of-way annually about its pesticide use. The bill also has prohibitions against a railroad requiring an employee to work in an area to which a pesticide has been applied within 24 hours of the application of the pesticide. STATUS = **PASSED**: Governor Doyle signed 2009 Act -----**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**



### **AB 372 Bans Backyard Dumping**

Would have protected water by giving the DNR the authority to enforce a ban on the disposal of solid waste from a household on the property where it is generated. STATUS = **FAILED**: AB 372 passed the Assembly but the Senate did not vote on it

**Pro-Environment Vote = AYE**

### **SB 271 BPA-Free Kids Act (see Senate bill description)**

### **SB 616 Energy Efficient Public Buildings (see Senate bill description)**











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## 2009-10 State Assembly Votes

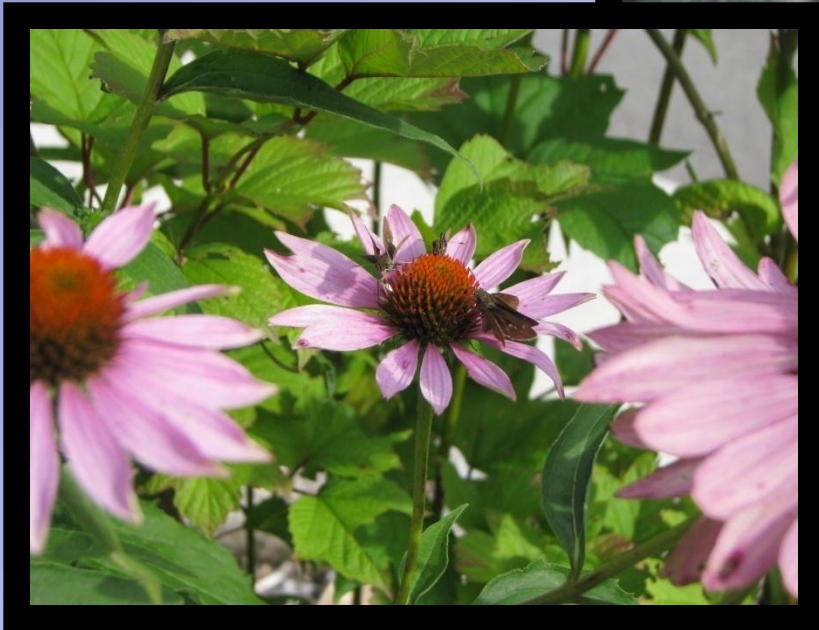
Last Name	First Name	District	Home City	Party	Score	AB 3 Clean Lakes	AB 43 Toto- gatic	SB 6 Bruns weiler	SB 40 Imp Just	AB 138 Ind DNR	AB 138 Veto Over	AB 139 Litter Fines	SB 185 Wind Siting
Ripp	Keith	47	Lodi	(R)	69	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Roth	Roger	56	Appleton	(R)	55	+	+	+	A	A	+	A	-
Roys	Kelda Helen	81	Madison	(D)	100	+	+	+	P	+	+	+	+
Schneider	Marlin	72	Wisconsin Rapids	(D)	94	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+
Seidel	Donna	85	Wausau	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Sheridan	Mike	44	Janesville	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Sherman	Gary	74	Port Wing	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Shilling	Jennifer	95	LaCrosse	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Sinicki	Christine	20	Milwaukee	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Smith	Jeff	93	Eau Claire	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Soletski	James	88	Green Bay	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Spanbauer	Richard	53	Oshkosh	(R)	81	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Staskunas	Tony	15	West Allis	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Steinbrink	John	65	Pleasant Prairie	(D)	94	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+
Stone	Jeff	82	Greendale	(R)	38	A	A	A	-	-	-	+	+
Strachota	Pat	58	West Bend	(R)	53	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+
Suder	Scott	69	Abbotsford	(R)	29	+	-	-	A	A	A	-	+
Tauchen	Gary	6	Bonduel	(R)	44	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	-
Toles	Barbara	17	Milwaukee	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Townsend	John	52	Fond du Lac	(R)	56	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+
Turner	Robert	61	Racine	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Van Akkeren	Terry	26	Sheboygan	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Van Roy	Karl	90	Green Bay	(R)	67	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Vos	Robin	63	Racine	(R)	13	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Vruwink	Amy Sue	70	Milladore	(D)	94	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Vukmir	Leah	14	Wauwatosa	(R)	19	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Williams, A.	Annette P.	10	Milwaukee	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Williams, M.	Mary	87	Medford	(R)	62	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	-
Wood	Jeff	67	Chippewa Falls	(R)	73	+	+	+	A	-	-	+	-
Young	Leon	16	Milwaukee	(D)	94	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+
Zepnick	Josh	9	Milwaukee	(D)	94	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+
Ziegelbauer	Bob	25	Manitowoc	(D)	81	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-
Zigmunt	Ted	2	Francis Creek	(D)	94	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-
Zipperer	Rich	98	Pewaukee	(R)	31	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	+

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## 2009-10 State Assembly Votes

Last Name	First Name	District	Home City	Party	Score	AB 258 Oil Filter	SB 107 E-cyclin g	AB 281 Phos Det.	SB 200 Merc Prod	AB 314 Rail Pest.	AB 372 Dump	SB 271 BPA-Free	SB 616 LEED Bldgs
Ripp	Keith	47	Lodi	(R)	69	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-
Roth	Roger	56	Appleton	(R)	55	A	A	-	A	A	-	+	-
Roys	Kelda Helen	81	Madison	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Schneider	Marlin	72	Wisconsin Rapids	(D)	94	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Seidel	Donna	85	Wausau	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Sheridan	Mike	44	Janesville	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Sherman	Gary	74	Port Wing	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Shilling	Jennifer	95	LaCrosse	(D)	100	+	+	+	A	A	+	+	+
Sinicki	Christine	20	Milwaukee	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
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Staskunas	Tony	15	West Allis	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Steinbrink	John	65	Pleasant Prairie	(D)	94	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Stone	Jeff	82	Greendale	(R)	38	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-
Strachota	Pat	58	West Bend	(R)	53	+	-	A	+	-	-	+	-
Suder	Scott	69	Abbotsford	(R)	29	-	A	-	A	A	A	A	A
Tauchen	Gary	6	Bonduel	(R)	44	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-
Toles	Barbara	17	Milwaukee	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Townsend	John	52	Fond du Lac	(R)	56	+	-	-	+	+	-	+	-
Turner	Robert	61	Racine	(D)	100	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
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Vruwink	Amy Sue	70	Milladore	(D)	94	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+
Vukmir	Leah	14	Wauwatosa	(R)	19	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-
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Zipperer	Rich	98	Pewaukee	(R)	31	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-

## *The Sierra Club - John Muir Chapter Thanks Our True Environmental Leaders*



***The Sierra Club – John Muir Chapter thanks the forty five state lawmakers who scored a perfect 100%*** on the Scorecard (39 in Assembly, 6 in the Senate).

***In the Assembly***, these include Peter Barca, Chuck Benedict\*, Terese Berceau, Penny Bernard Schaber, Spencer Black\*, Fred Clark, Pedro Colon\*, David Cullen, Kristin Dexter, Tamara Grigsby, Gary Hebl, Steve Hilgenburg\*, Gordon Hintz, Ann Hraychuck, Mary Hubler\*, Andy Jorgensen, Dean Kaufert, Cory Mason, Nick Milroy, Louis Molepske, Tom Nelson\*, Joe Parisi, Sandra Pasch, Mark Pocan, SONDY POPE-ROBERTS, John Richards, Donna Seidel, Mike Sheridan, Gary Sherman\*, Jennifer Shilling, Christine Sinicki, Jeff Smith, James Soletski, Tony Staskunas, Barbara Toles, Robert Turner, Terry Van Akkeren, Annette P. Williams\*.

***In the Senate***, these include Bob Jauch, John Lehman, Mark Miller, Fred Risser, Judy Robson\* and Robert Wirch.

On the opposite end of the scale were Representatives Joel Kleefisch and Scott Newcomer who each cast a single pro environment vote out of sixteen scored this session and Representatives Don Pridemore and Robin Vos who each cast only two pro environment votes in the last session.

\* Indicates that legislator is not running for re-election

# *The Sierra Club - John Muir Chapter*

## *Thanks Spencer Black for Being An Environmental Champion*



***Rep. Spencer Black, chair of the Assembly Natural Resources Committee***, is a long time member and former Sierra Club staff member who went on to become our greatest legislative champion.

He authored and helped pass scores of groundbreaking environmental laws during his career, from Wisconsin's mandatory recycling law to our mining moratorium to our Stewardship fund. During the past legislative session alone, he helped pass bills to reduce phosphorus pollution in our lakes and increase protection for the Totogatic and Brunswelier Rivers.

This May, we learned that Spencer Black would not be running for re-election. Upon learning of Rep. Black's retirement, Rep. Parisi (Madison, Dist 48) said, "Spencer Black is leaving the legislature at the top of his game and with a legacy that most elected officials dream about but rarely achieve. He has earned a place alongside Aldo Leopold and Gaylord Nelson as one of the giants of Wisconsin's environmental movement. You don't replace someone like Spencer Black; rather, you look to him and his career for inspiration."

Indeed. We will miss Spencer in the Capitol- but we thank him for all he did to protect Wisconsin for future generations. We wish him the best and hope he has time to relax and spend time with his family before setting off on his next endeavor.

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