

Vermont Legislative Scorecard

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(VCV) is the non-partisan political action arm of Vermont's environmental community. Since 1982, our mission has been to defend and strengthen the laws that safeguard our environment. We work to elect candidates who share our vision and values, and then hold lawmakers accountable for their actions. Our vision for a bright future for Vermont includes working to promote and defend policies that protect the environment and promote health, while advancing social, economic, and racial justice, and strengthening our democracy.

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Dear Reader,

This legislative session took place during a period of extreme uncertainty for many Vermont families. Vermont has the highest health care costs in the country, and faces rising property taxes and pressure to close small schools. The price of groceries and other goods continues to increase year after year. Meanwhile, the invasion of Iran spiked the price at the gas pump and the cost of heating oil. To top things off, we've seen dramatic cuts to federal programs that help people access food, healthcare, and other essentials. Exacerbating these anxieties is the disheartening rise of disinformation aimed at dividing us. With all these intersectional crises, we continued our work to protect Vermont's critical natural resources and stand up for our democracy.

We have prepared our Legislative Scorecard to let you know how your state legislators voted on Vermont Conservation Voters' top priority issues in the 2025-2026 legislative session. Our objective with the Scorecard is to distill the results of the complex legislative process so that you, as a voter, can see how lawmakers are voting on issues that matter.

Each year, VCV publishes the *Environmental Common Agenda* – a list of policy goals we develop in collaboration with the state's leading environmental groups. This biennium, we highlighted a range of solutions to continue working toward a healthy democracy, smart growth housing and conservation solutions, better transportation options, toxic-free communities, and affordable clean energy. With hard work and strong collaboration, we still saw some incredible policy wins over the past two years, but also many attempts to erode our foundational environmental laws.

Unfortunately, once again, Governor Scott vetoed several significant environmental bills, including a data center siting bill, which would have created protections to ensure that data centers pay their fair share for overusing and polluting our waters, and driving up energy costs for already cash-strapped Vermonters. As many other states move to protect their residents and their natural resources from the threats of these data centers and the billion-dollar corporations that are proposing them, Governor Scott and the 51 Republican State Representatives who voted to uphold his veto are leaving Vermont defenseless while data centers are being proposed in our state.

In determining which votes to include in the Legislative Scorecard, we aim to use those votes that have the most important impact on the outcome of the bill. We count absences as a negative vote, because that's the impact they have on the outcome. While informative, the Scorecard does have limitations. For instance, we can only score "roll call" votes where individual lawmakers go on the record as voting 'yes' or 'no' on a given bill – which doesn't happen for every vote. And many decisions are made in committee before a bill ever reaches the floor. Nonetheless, the Scorecard provides a helpful snapshot of whether or not lawmakers are voting to support important environmental priorities.

Now that you know the score, it's impactful to let your legislators know if you appreciate or are disappointed in their environmental voting record – so please take a moment to contact your elected officials to share your views. Find out more at: www.VermontConservationVoters.org.



We made progress this year, but there is so much more to do in 2026 and beyond. I hope you will continue to stand with us to protect Vermont's environment and its democracy.

We are stronger together!

Dan Fingas, *Executive Director*

House Bill Descriptions

H.727 – Sustainable Data Centers Act

(Vote scored: Veto Override)

Pro-Environment vote: YES

A bill to create Vermont’s first regulatory framework for large data centers, requiring developers to cover the costs of new energy infrastructure so existing ratepayers wouldn’t subsidize them. The bill also established environmental standards for energy and water use, reporting requirements, and a coordinated siting process to minimize impacts on communities and natural resources.

*Status: Governor’s veto was not overridden;
Failed in the House 83-52*

S.218 – Chloride Reduction Act

(Vote scored: 3rd Reading)

Pro-Environment vote: YES

A bill that establishes a voluntary statewide pilot program to reduce chloride pollution by promoting best practices for road salt application, including training and certification for commercial and municipal salt applicators. The bill aimed to protect Vermont’s lakes, rivers, and drinking water while maintaining safe winter travel through more efficient and effective salt use.

Status: Passed the House 85-54; Governor vetoed

S.209 – Prohibiting Civil Arrests at Polling Places

(Vote scored: 2nd Reading)

Pro-Democracy vote: YES

Prohibits civil arrests in designated “sensitive locations” to ensure people can access essential public services without fear of being detained through civil process. The law is intended to protect access to courts, schools, health care, shelters, government services, libraries, and elections.

Status: Passed the House 109-30; Enacted (Act 150)

H.710 – Solar Single Plant

(Vote scored: 2nd Reading)

Pro-Environment vote: YES

This bill proposes to amend the definition of “plant” to clarify when the Public Utility Commission would consider multiple energy-generating facilities to be a single facility allowing shared use of access roads and infrastructure. This bill would consider a plant with multiple energy-generating facilities to be a single facility if the facilities use the same electricity-generating technology and if the facilities are on the same parcel or contiguous parcels of land, unless an exception applies.

Status: Passed the House 108-30; Governor vetoed



H.740 – Greenhouse Gas Inventory

(Vote scored: 2nd Reading)

Pro-Environment vote: YES

An act relating to the greenhouse gas inventory and registry requires the Agency of Natural Resources to establish a more comprehensive greenhouse gas emissions inventory and reporting system by collecting standardized emissions data from major sources, including fuel suppliers. The bill improves the accuracy and transparency of Vermont's greenhouse gas accounting to better inform climate policy and track progress toward the state's emissions reduction requirements.

Status: *Passed the House 82-56*

S.212 – Amendment for Wetland Permit Exemptions

(Vote scored: Tagliavia Amendment)

Pro-Environment vote: NO

A proposed amendment to S.212 that would have exempted certain potable water supply and wastewater systems from needing additional state permits if, after they had already been permitted, they were later found to be located within a previously unmapped or undelineated Class II wetland. The amendment would have allowed alteration of water and wastewater systems for certain systems without obtaining new permits solely because wetlands were identified after their original permit was issued.

Status: *Amendment Failed 74-63*



H.70 – Inclusion of Current Use in Act 59

(Vote scored: to relieve the bill from committee)

Pro-Environment vote: NO

A bill that removes permanent conservation from Act 59 and adds land enrolled in Vermont's Current Use program to the state's conserved lands inventory. This vote would have moved the bill that wasn't worked on by any committee directly to the floor for a vote.

Status: Failed 80-58

H.125 – Energy Transition Reporting

(Vote scored: 2nd Reading)

Pro-Environment vote: YES

This bill proposes to require the Department of Public Service to report on the economic impacts of the transition to clean energy within the State.

Status: Passed 84-59



Vermont House of Representatives Scorecard

✓	Pro-environment vote	A (✓)	Absent with prior recorded ✓-vote	P	Presiding
X	Anti-environment vote	A (X)	Absent with prior recorded X-vote	NIO	Not in Office
A	Absent (counts as a negative)				

Representative	District	Town	Party	2025-2026 Score	Lifetime Score (2001 to 2026)	H.125	H.710
Arsenault, Angela	CHI-2	Williston	D	100	100	✓	✓
Austin, Sarita	CHI-19	Colchester	D	100	100	✓	✓
Bailey, Richard J.	LAM-2	Hyde Park	R	0	0	X	A
Bartholomew, John	WDR-1	Hartland	D	88	95	✓	✓
Bartley, Ashley R.	FRA-1	Fairfax	R	25	22	X	✓
Berbeco, Daisy	CHI-21	Winooski	D	100	100	✓	✓
Birong, Matthew	ADD-3	Vergennes	D	88	91	✓	✓
Bishop, Doug	CHI-20	Colchester	D	100	100	✓	✓
Black, Alyssa	CHI-24	Essex	D	100	100	✓	✓
Bluemle, Tiffany "Tiff"	CHI-13	Burlington	D	100	100	✓	✓
Bos-Lun, Michelle	WDH-3	Westminster	D	88	96	✓	✓
Bosch, David "Dave"	RUT-2	Clarendon	R	13	13	X	✓
Boutin, Michael	WAS-3	Barre City	R	13	13	X	✓
Boyden, Lucy	LAM-3	Cambridge	D	75	83	✓	✓
Brady, Erin	CHI-2	Williston	D	100	100	✓	✓
Branagan, Carolyn	FRA-1	Georgia	R	25	42	X	✓
Brigham, Jack	FRA-8	St. Albans Town	R	17	17	NIO	NIO
Brown, Jana	CHI-1	Richmond	D	100	100	✓	✓
Burditt, Thomas "Tom"	RUT-2	West Rutland	R	13	24	X	✓
Burke, Mollie S.	WDH-8	Brattleboro	D	100	98	✓	✓
Burkhardt, Bridget Marie	CHI-8	South Burlington	D	100	100	✓	✓
Burrows, Elizabeth	WDR-1	West Windsor	D	63	83	✓	A
Burt, Greg	CAL-WAS	Cabot	R	0	0	A	X
Campbell, Scott	CAL-ESX	St. Johnsbury	D	100	100	✓	✓
Canfield, William "Bill"	RUT-10	Fair Haven	R	13	37	X	✓
Carris-Duncan, Emily	WDH-6	Whitingham	D	100	100	✓	✓
Casey, Jim	ADD-RUT	Hubbardton	R	0	0	X	X
Casey, Conor	WAS-4	Montpelier	D	100	100	✓	✓
Chapin, Ela	WAS-5	East Montpelier	D	100	86	✓	✓
Charlton, Thomas F.	WDR-WDH	Chester	R	38	38	X	✓
Christie, Kevin "Coach"	WDR-6	Hartford	D	0	83	A	A
Cina, Brian	CHI-15	Burlington	P/D	50	90	A	✓
Coffin, V.L.	WDR-2	Cavendish	R	25	25	X	✓
Cole, Esme	WDR-6	Hartford	D/P	100	100	✓	✓

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✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A
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✓	X	✓	X	X	X
A	A	A	A	A	A
✓	A	A	A(✓)	✓	✓
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✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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Conlon, Peter	ADD-2	Cornwall	D	100	98	✓	✓
Cooper, Jonathan	BEN-1	Pownal	D	100	100	✓	✓
Corcoran, Timothy R.	BEN-2	Bennington	D	88	84	✓	X
Cordes, Mari	ADD-4	Lincoln	D	100	98	✓	NIO
Critchlow, Wendy	CHI-19	Colchester	D	100	100	✓	✓
Demar, Allen "Penny"	FRA-7	Enosburgh	R	0	9	X	X
Dickinson, Eileen "Lynn"	FRA-2	St. Albans Town	R	0	20	X	X
Dobrovich, Joshua	ORA-3	Williamstown	R	0	0	X	X
Dodge, Leonora	CHI-23	Essex	D	63	81	✓	✓
Dolan, Karen	CHI-22	Essex Junction	D	100	91	✓	✓
Dolgin, Deborah Cordz	CAL-ESX	St. Johnsbury	R	13	13	X	X
Donahue, Anne B.	WAS-1	Northfield	I	38	57	✓	✓
Duke, Abbey	CHI-17	Burlington	D	88	94	✓	✓
Durfee, David K.	BEN-3	Shaftsbury	D	100	100	✓	✓
Eastes, Zon	WDH-1	Guilford	D	75	75	✓	✓
Emmons, Alice M.	WDR-3	Springfield	D	100	98	✓	✓
Feltus, Martha "Marty"	CAL-3	Lyndon	R	13	49	X	X
Galfetti, Gina M.	WAS-ORA	Barre Town	R	13	20	X	X
Garofano, Rey	CHI-23	Essex	D	100	100	✓	✓
Goldman, Leslie	WDH-3	Rockingham	D	100	100	✓	✓
Goodnow, Ian	WDH-9	Brattleboro	D	100	100	✓	✓
Goslant, Kenneth W.	WAS-1	Northfield	R	0	16	X	X
Graning, Edye	CHI-3	Jericho	D	100	100	✓	✓
Greer, William "Will"	BEN-2	Bennington	D	75	75	X	✓
Gregoire, James	FRA-6	Fairfield	R	25	30	X	✓
Hango, Lisa A.	FRA-5	Berkshire	R	13	23	X	✓
Harple, Leanne	ORL-4	Glover	D	75	75	✓	✓
Harrison, James "Jim"	RUT-11	Chittenden	R	0	34	X	NIO
Harvey, Zachary	RUT-3	Castleton	R	0	0	X	X
Headrick, Troy	CHI-15	Burlington	I	100	91	✓	✓
Higley, Mark A.	ORL-LAM	Lowell	R	0	25	X	X
Holcombe, Rebecca	WDR-ORA-2	Norwich	D	100	100	✓	✓
Hooper, Robert	CHI-18	Burlington	D	50	79	✓	A
Hooper, Philip "Jay"	ORA-WAS-ADD	Randolph	D	63	82	✓	✓
Houghton, Lori	CHI-22	Essex Junction	D	100	95	✓	✓

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NIO	NIO	NIO	NIO	NIO	NIO
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	A	X	X	X	X
A	✓	✓	✓	A	A
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Howard, Mary E.	RUT-6	Rutland City	D	75	91	✓	✓
Howland, Christopher	RUT-4	Rutland Town	R	0	0	X	X
Hoyt, Michael	WDR-4	Hartford	D	86	86	NIO	A
Hunter, Robert	BEN-4	Manchester	D	100	100	✓	✓
James, Kathleen	BEN-4	Manchester	D	100	100	✓	✓
Kascenska, John	ESX-CAL	Burke	R	13	16	X	✓
Keyser, Chris	RUT-7	Rutland City	R	0	0	X	X
Kimbell, Charlie	WDR-5	Woodstock	D	100	89	✓	✓
Kleppner, Bram	CHI-13	Burlington	D	100	100	✓	✓
Kornheiser, Emilie	WDH-7	Brattleboro	D	100	100	✓	✓
Krasnow, Emilie	CHI-9	South Burlington	D	88	94	✓	A
Krowinski, Jill	CHI-16	Burlington	D (Speaker)	100	99	P	P
Labor, Larry	ESX-ORL	Morgan	R	0	6	X	X
Lalley, Kate	CHI-6	Shelburne	D	100	100	✓	✓
LaLonde, Martin	CHI-12	South Burlington	D	100	98	✓	✓
Lamont, Saudia	LAM-WAS	Morristown	D	75	88	A	✓
Laroche, Wayne	FRA-5	Franklin	R	13	10	X	✓
Lipsky, Jed	LAM-1	Stowe	I	25	26	X	✓
Logan, Kate	CHI-16	Burlington	P/D	75	78	✓	✓
Long, Emily	WDH-5	Newfane	D	100	98	✓	✓
Long, Kumulia “Kase”	CHI-FRA	Milton	R	20	20	NIO	NIO
Lueders, Karen	ADD-4	Lincoln	D	100	100	NIO	✓
Luneau, Joe	FRA-3	St. Albans City	R	13	13	X	X
Maguire, Eric	RUT-5	Rutland City	R	0	14	X	X
Malay, Alicia	RUT-8	Pittsford	R	0	0	A	A
Marcotte, Michael J.	ORL-LAM	Coventry	R	25	36	X	✓
Masland, James “Jim”	WDR-ORA-2	Thetford	D	100	98	✓	✓
McCann, Kate	WAS-4	Montpelier	D	75	74	✓	✓
McCoy, Patricia A.	RUT-1	Poultney	R	25	27	X	✓
McFaun, Francis “Topper”	WAS-ORA	Barre Town	R	33	47	X	✓
McGill, Jubilee	ADD-5	Bridport	D	100	100	✓	✓
Micklus, Anthony “Tony”	CHI-FRA	Milton	R	25	25	X	✓
Mihaly, Marc B.	WAS-6	Calais	D	75	88	✓	✓
Minier, Brian	CHI-11	South Burlington	D	88	94	X	✓
Morgan, Michael R.	GI-CHI	Milton	R	25	17	X	✓

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A	✓	A	✓	✓	✓
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NIO	X	✓	X	X	X
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
X	X	✓	X	X	X
X	X	X	X	X	A
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	X	X	✓	X	X
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A	✓	✓	✓	A	✓
X	X	✓	X	X	X
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✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
A	X	✓	X	X	X
✓	✓	A	✓	A	✓
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
X	X	✓	X	X	X

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Morgan, Leland	GI-CHI	Milton	R	25	35	X	✓
Morris, Kristi C.	WDR-3	Springfield	D	75	94	X	✓
Morrissey, Mary A.	BEN-5	Bennington	R	13	32	X	X
Morrow, Chris	WDH-WDR-BEN	Weston	D	88	88	✓	✓
Mrowicki, Michael "Mike"	WDH-4	Putney	D/P	88	96	✓	✓
Nelson, Richard M.	ORL-1	Derby	R	0	0	X	X
Nielsen, Todd	RUT-9	Brandon	R	0	0	X	X
Nigro, Michael	BEN-5	Bennington	D	63	81	✓	✓
North, Rob	ADD-3	Ferrisburgh	R	13	13	X	✓
Noyes, Daniel	LAM-2	Wolcott	D	63	86	X	✓
Nugent, Kate	CHI-10	South Burlington	D	88	94	A	✓
O'Brien, John	WDR-ORA-1	Tunbridge	D	63	86	✓	✓
Ode, Carol	CHI-18	Burlington	D	100	97	✓	✓
Oliver Jr., Thomas "Tom"	FRA-4	Sheldon	R	0	5	X	X
Olson, Herb	ADD-4	Starksboro	D	88	88	✓	✓
Page, Woodman H. "Woody"	ORL-2	Newport City	R	0	22	X	X
Parsons, Joe	ORA-CAL	Newbury	R	0	10	X	A
Pezzo, Gayle	CHI-20	Colchester	D	100	100	✓	✓
Pinsonault, Sandra "Sandy"	BEN-RUT	Dorset	R	25	25	X	✓
Pouech, Phil	CHI-4	Hinesburg	D	100	100	✓	✓
Powers, Debra Lynn	CAL-1	Waterford	R	0	0	X	X
Priestley, Monique	ORA-2	Bradford	D	75	88	✓	✓
Pritchard, Chris	RUT-BEN	Pawlet	R	25	25	X	✓
Quimby, Beth M.	CAL-3	Lyndon	R	13	15	X	X
Rachelson, Barbara	CHI-14	Burlington	D/P	100	95	✓	✓
Satcowitz, Larry	ORA-WAS-ADD	Randolph	D	100	100	✓	✓
Scheu, Robin	ADD-1	Middlebury	D	100	100	✓	✓
Scully, Kevin	CHI-18	Burlington	D	50	50	NIO	NIO
Sheldon, Amy	ADD-1	Middlebury	D	100	100	✓	✓
Sibilia, Laura	WDH-2	Dover	I	75	73	✓	✓
Soucy, David	WAS-ORA	Barre Town	R	20	20	NIO	NIO
Southworth, Michael "Mike"	CAL-2	Walden	R	13	13	X	X
Squirrell, Trevor	CHI-3	Underhill	D	100	100	✓	✓
Steady, Brenda	CHI-25	Milton	R	25	25	X	✓
Stevens, Tom	WAS-CHI	Waterbury	D	100	98	✓	✓

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H.740	S.218	S.209	H.70	S.212	H.727
X	X	✓	X	X	X
X	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
X	X	✓	X	X	X
✓	✓	✓	A(✓)	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓	✓	A	✓
X	X	X	X	X	X
A	A	A	A(X)	X	X
X	A	✓	✓	✓	A
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	✓	✓	✓	X	✓
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓	A(✓)	X	A
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
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NIO	X	✓	X	A	X
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X	X	✓	X	X	X
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

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✓	Pro-environment vote	A (✓)	Absent with prior recorded ✓-vote	P	Presiding
X	Anti-environment vote	A (X)	Absent with prior recorded X-vote	NIO	Not in Office
A	Absent (counts as a negative)				

Representative	District	Town	Party	2025-2026 Score	Lifetime Score (2001 to 2026)	H.125	H.710
Stone, Mary-Katherine	CHI-14	Burlington	D	100	86	✓	✓
Surprenant, Heather	WDR-4	Barnard	D	100	100	✓	NIO
Sweeney, Shawn	CHI-7	Shelburne	D	100	100	✓	✓
Tagliavia, Michael	ORA-1	Corinth	R	0	0	X	X
Taylor, Chris	CHI-FRA	Milton	R	33	26	X	✓
Taylor, Valorie	RUT-11	Mendon	R	0	0	NIO	X
Tomlinson, Chloe	CHI-21	Winooski	P/D	100	100	✓	✓
Toof, Casey	FRA-8	St. Albans Town	R	0	15	X	NIO
Torre, Dara	WAS-2	Moretown	D	88	94	✓	✓
Walker, Matthew E. "Matt"	FRA-4	Swanton	R	13	7	X	X
Waszazak, Edward "Teddy"	WAS-3	Barre City	D	88	88	✓	✓
Waters Evans, Chea	CHI-5	Charlotte	D	100	100	✓	✓
Wells, Kenneth W.	ORL-3	Brownington	R	0	0	X	X
White, Candice	WAS-2	Waitsfield	D	100	100	✓	✓
White, Kirk	WDR-ADD	Bethel	D	88	96	✓	A
Winter, Kevin C.	RUT-WDR	Ludlow	R	0	0	X	X
Wood, Teresa A.	WAS-CHI	Waterbury	D	88	98	✓	A
Yacovone, David	LAM-WAS	Morristown	D	88	93	✓	✓



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NIO	NIO	NIO	NIO	NIO	NIO
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
X	X	X	X	X	X
X	NIO	NIO	NIO	NIO	NIO
X	X	A	X	X	X
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
NIO	NIO	NIO	NIO	NIO	NIO
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	A
X	X	X	✓	X	X
✓	✓	✓	A(✓)	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
X	X	X	X	X	X
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
X	X	X	X	X	X
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
✓	✓	✓	✓	X	✓



Senate Bill Descriptions

H.740 - Amendment to Repeal the GWSA

(Vote scored: Williams Amendment)

Pro-Environment vote: NO

An amendment to the Greenhouse Gas Inventory bill that would repeal the Global Warming Solutions Act.

Status: Failed 16-14

S.202 - Portable Solar

(Vote scored: 2nd Reading)

Pro-Environment vote: YES

The bill establishes a legal framework for portable solar energy systems, including balcony and plug-in solar, allowing more Vermonters (including renters, condominium residents, and those without suitable rooftops) to access small-scale solar generation.

Status: Passed the Senate 29-0; Enacted

H.727 - Sustainable Data Centers Act

(Vote scored: 3rd Reading)

Pro-Environment vote: YES

A bill to create Vermont's first regulatory framework for large data centers, requiring developers to cover the costs of new energy infrastructure so existing ratepayers wouldn't subsidize them. The bill also established environmental standards for energy and water use, reporting requirements, and a coordinated siting process to minimize impacts on communities and natural resources.

Status: Passed the Senate 26-3

S.208 - Law Enforcement Identification

(Vote scored: 3rd Reading)

Pro-Democracy vote: YES

This bill proposes to require standards for law enforcement to identify themselves. Specifically, this bill proposes that all local, state, and federal law enforcement officers clearly identify themselves by name or badge number. Additionally, this bill proposes to prohibit masks or personal disguises with certain exceptions for potentially hazardous situations and deployments.

Status: Passed the Senate 27-2

H.740 - Greenhouse Gas Inventory

(Vote scored: Accept and adopt the report of the Committee of Conference)

Pro-Environment vote: YES

An act relating to the greenhouse gas inventory and registry requires the Agency of Natural Resources to establish a more comprehensive greenhouse gas emissions inventory and reporting system by collecting standardized emissions data from major sources, including fuel suppliers. The bill improves the accuracy and transparency of Vermont's greenhouse gas accounting to better inform climate policy and track progress toward the state's emissions reduction requirements.

Status: Passed the Senate 17-13





Portable Solar for Vermont campaign launch press conference at the VPIRG office in Montpelier, September 2025. Pictured L to R: Linda Gray (Norwich Energy Committee), Johanna Miller (VNRC), Ben Edgerly Walsh (VPIRG), Senator Anne Watson, Rupert Mayer (Bright Saver). Photo by Elijah Kushen (VPIRG).

S.325 - Act 250 Timeline Extensions

(Vote scored: 2nd Reading)

Pro-Environment vote: YES

A bill that adjusts the implementation of Vermont's Act 250 modernization by providing additional time to develop regional planning and reforms while maintaining efforts to encourage housing development and improve the land use permitting system.

Status: *Passed the Senate 18-12*

S.325 - Amendment to Repeal Act 250 Protections

(Vote scored: Heffernan/Ingalls Amendment)

Pro-Environment vote: NO

An amendment that would have repealed Act 250 protections for critical natural resources of statewide importance, eliminating review standards designed to protect ecologically significant landscapes. The

amendment would have weakened Vermont's land use framework by reducing safeguards for important natural resources during the development review process.

Status: *Failed 17-13*

S.68 - Repealing the Affordable Heat Act

(Vote scored: to relieve the bill from committee)

Pro-Environment vote: NO

The bill would repeal Vermont's Affordable Heat Act, which established a framework for reducing greenhouse gas emissions from the heating sector and creating a clean heat program to encourage weatherization and cleaner heating solutions. The bill would eliminate the statutory requirements for the Public Utility Commission and state agencies to implement the program, removing a key component of Vermont's strategy to reduce fossil fuel use in buildings and meet climate goals.

Status: *Failed 17-13*

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✓ Pro-environment vote
 X Anti-environment vote
 A Absent (counts as a negative)

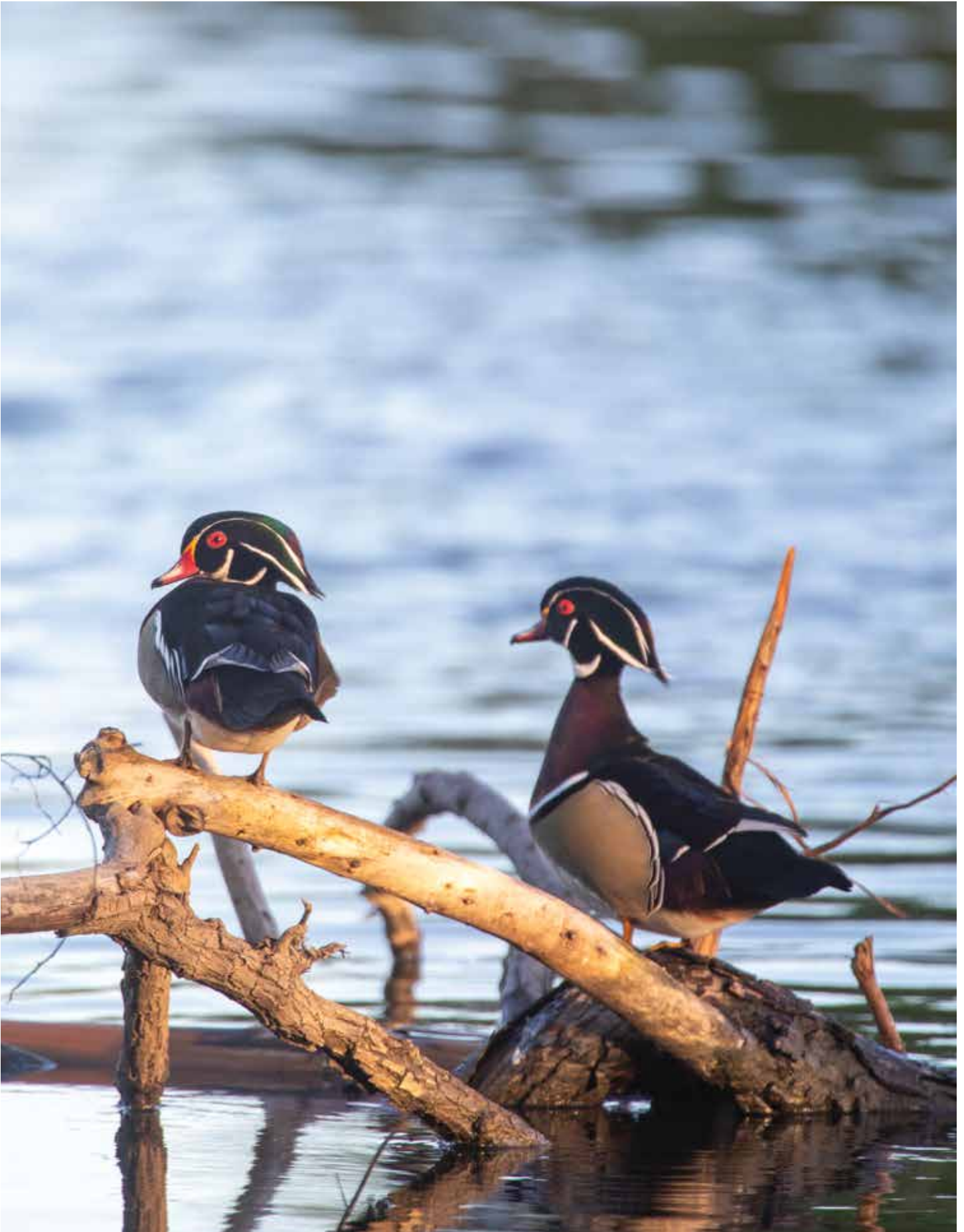
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 NIO Not in Office

Senator	District	Town	Party	2023-2024 Score	Lifetime Score (2001 to 2026)	H.740	S.202
Baruth, Philip	Chittenden Central	Burlington	D/P	100	95	✓	✓
Beck, Scott	Caledonia	St. Johnsbury	R	38	46	X	✓
Benson, John	Orange	Brookfield	R	29	29	NIO	✓
Bongartz, Seth	Bennington	Manchester	D	100	100	✓	✓
Brennan, Pat	Grand Isle	Colchester	R	38	22	X	✓
Brock, Randy	Franklin	St. Albans	R	38	40	X	✓
Chittenden, Thomas	Chittenden Southeast	South Burlington	D	88	88	✓	✓
Clarkson, Alison H.	Windsor	Woodstock	D	100	97	✓	✓
Collamore, Brian	Rutland	Rutland Town	R	38	28	X	✓
Cummings, Anne E.	Washington	Montpelier	D	100	97	✓	✓
Douglass, Samuel A.	Orleans	Troy	R	0	0	X	NIO
Gulick, Martine Larocque	Chittenden Central	Burlington	D	100	100	✓	✓
Hardy, Ruth	Addison	Middlebury	D	100	100	✓	✓
Harrison, Wendy	Windham	Brattleboro	D	100	100	✓	✓
Hart, Larry, Sr.	Orange	Topsham	R	0	0	X	NIO
Hashim, Nader	Windham	Dummerston	D	88	96	✓	A
Heffernan, Steven	Addison	Bristol	R	38	38	X	✓
Ingalls, Russ	Essex	Newport	R	25	18	X	✓
Lyons, Virginia "Ginny"	Chittenden Southeast	Williston	D	100	99	✓	✓
Major, Joe	Windsor	Hartford	D	100	100	✓	✓
Mattos, Chris	Chittenden North	Milton	R	25	27	X	✓
Morley, John	Orleans	Orleans	R	29	22	NIO	✓
Norris, Robert W.	Franklin	Sheldon	R	38	28	X	✓
Perchlik, Andrew	Washington	Montpelier	D/P	100	100	✓	✓
Plunkett, Rob	Bennington	Bennington	D	100	100	✓	✓
Ram Hinsdale, Keshia	Chittenden Southeast	Shelburne	D/P	100	100	✓	✓
Vyhovsky, Tanya	Chittenden Central	Essex	P	100	100	✓	✓
Watson, Anne	Washington	Barre	D/P	100	100	✓	✓
Weeks, David "Dave"	Rutland	Proctor	R	50	33	X	✓
Westman, Richard A.	Lamoille	Cambridge	R	25	50	X	✓
White, Rebecca	Windsor	Hartford	D	100	96	✓	✓
Williams, Terry K.	Rutland	Poultney	R	25	17	X	✓

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H.727	H.208	H.740	S.325	S.325	S.68
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
✓	X	X	✓	X	X
✓	X	X	X	X	X
✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
✓	X	X	✓	X	X
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✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
X	X	X	✓	X	X



Beyond the Roll Call – Leaders and Laggards

Environmental Laggards

2025-2026 Environmental Scores of 30% or Less

Senators

John Benson
Sam Douglass
Larry Hart
Russ Ingalls
Chris Mattos
John Morley
Rich Westman
Terry Williams

Representatives

Richard Bailey
Ashley Bartley
Dave Bosch
Michael Boutin
Carolyn Branagan
Jack Brigham

Tom Burditt
Greg Burt
Bill Canfield
Jim Casey
Coach Christie
V.L. Coffin
Penny Demar
Lynn Dickinson
Joshua Dobrovich
Debbie Dolgin
Marty Feltus
Gina Galfetti
Ken Goslant
James Gregoire
Lisa Hango
Jim Harrison
Zachary Harvey
Mark Higley

Christopher Howland
John Kascenska
Chris Keyser
Larry Labor
Wayne Laroche
Jed Lipsky
Kase Long
Joe Luneau
Eric Maguire
Alicia Malay
Michael Marcotte
Patricia McCoy
Tony Micklus
Michael Morgan
Leland Morgan
Mary Morrissey
Richard Nelson
Todd Nielsen

Rob North
Tom Oliver
Woody Page
Joe Parsons
Sandy Pinsonault
Debra Lynn Powers
Chris Pritchard
Beth Quimby
David Soucy
Mike Southworth
Brenda Steady
Michael Tagliavia
Valorie Taylor
Casey Toof
Matt Walker
Ken Wells
Kevin Winter

Vermont Conservation Voters Thanks Legislators with 100% Environmental Scores in the 2025-2026 Legislative Session

Senators

Phil Baruth
Seth Bongartz
Alison Clarkson
Ann Cummings
Martine Larocque Gulick
Ruth Hardy
Wendy Harrison
Ginny Lyons
Joe Major
Andrew Perchlik
Rob Plunkett
Kesha Ram Hinsdale
Tanya Vyhovsky
Anne Watson
Becca White

Representatives

Sarita Austin
Daisy Berbeco
Doug Bishop
Alyssa Black
Tiff Bluemle
Erin Brady
Jana Brown
Mollie Burke
Bridget Burkhardt
Scott Campbell
Emily Carris Duncan
Conor Casey
Ela Chapin
Esme Cole
Peter Conlon
Jonathan Cooper
Mari Cordes
Wendy Critchlow

Karen Dolan
David Durfee
Alice Emmons
Rey Garofano
Leslie Goldman
Ian Goodnow
Edye Graning
Troy Headrick
Rebecca Holcombe
Lori Houghton
Rob Hunter
Kathleen James
Charlie Kimbell
Bram Kleppner
Emilie Kornheiser
Kate Lalley
Martin Lalonde
Emily Long
Karen Lueders

Jim Masland
Jubilee McGill
Carol Ode
Gayle Pezzo
Phil Pouech
Barbara Rachelson
Larry Satcowitz
Robin Scheu
Amy Sheldon
Trevor Squirrel
Tom Stevens
Mary-Katherine Stone
Heather Surprenant
Shawn Sweeney
Chloe Tomlinson
Chea Waters Evans
Candice White

Beyond the Roll Call – Leaders and Laggards

House Average Environmental Scores by Party

Democratic – 89%
Progressive – 75%
Independent – 59%
Republican – 11%

Senate Average Environmental Scores by Party

Progressive - 100%
Democratic – 98%
Republican – 29%



Environmental Rising Stars

Vermont Conservation Voters awards the Environmental Rising Star Award is presented bi-annually to newer legislators who have stepped up to be effective champions of VCV priority issues in their first or second legislative session, and who have a bright future of environmental leadership. The 2026 Award recipients were Representative **Chloe Tomlinson** (P-Winooski) and Representative **Dara Torre** (D-Moretown).

Representative **Chloe Tomlinson** was elected to the Vermont House in 2024 where she served as clerk of the House Transportation Committee, was part of the Climate Solutions Caucus leadership team, and sponsored the CURTS Act (H.426) to advance equitable, resilient, and lower-emission transportation. Tomlinson brought more than a decade of experience in community development, social work, and nonprofit leadership to her legislative service. Vermont Conservation Voters selected Tomlinson as a Rising Star in recognition of her leadership during her first term and her commitment to advancing practical climate solutions that strengthen communities and improve affordability.

Dara Torre was elected to the Vermont House of Representatives in 2022, representing the Washington-2 district towns of Duxbury, Fayston, Moretown, Waitsfield

and Warren. She is clerk of the House Energy and Digital Infrastructure Committee and sponsored bills in 2025 that expand renewable energy opportunities in the state. As a member of the House Committee on Environment and Energy in her first term, she supported VCV priority policies including the Clean Heat Standard, Act 250 modernization, 30x30 Biodiversity Land Conservation Act, the Flood Safety Act and the Climate Superfund Act. Torre helped start the nation's first legislative Public Health Caucus and is also active in the Climate Solutions Caucus' leadership team. Until recently, Torre worked with a clean energy policy group in Montpelier and has served in various local and regional planning roles through the years. She is a town energy coordinator in Moretown, where she lives with her husband.

"As the state faces many challenges, we have the consistent effort and dedication of Representatives Torre and Tomlinson, working towards solutions that balance both the needs of our communities and protecting the natural resources that make Vermont what it is," said Dan Fingas, executive director, Vermont Conservation Voters. "With leaders like them in the legislature, we know that we have champions who will continue to fight to make a Vermont that works for all Vermonters."



Legislators and advocates at the 2026 Rising Star Awards Ceremony in Montpelier, January 2026. Pictured L to R: Evelyn Seidner (VCV), Kati Gallagher (VNRC), Justin Marsh (VCV), Rep. Chloe Tomlinson, Johanna Miller (VNRC), Robb Kidd (Sierra Club), Rep. Dara Torre, and Dan Fingas (VCV)



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Vermont Legislative Scorecard

Now that you know the score, *take action!*

1. Tell your legislators you know the score.

One of the best ways to influence your elected officials is through regular communication with them. If your legislators scored well, thank them. If they scored poorly, let them know you are disappointed and encourage them to support policies that address climate change and ensure clean air, clean water, and healthy communities. You can find your legislators' contact information in the scorecard on our website: VermontConservationVoters.org.

2. VOTE on or before Election Day – November 3rd!

Vermonters have the opportunity to elect a new slate of leaders. Once again this year, we have dozens of open seats for legislative office. Make sure you vote! Thanks to legislation VCV supported, all active and registered

voters in Vermont will be mailed their ballots for the General Election on Tuesday, November 3rd. Once you receive your ballot, fill it in with your preferred candidates up and down the ballot, seal it in the envelope provided, sign the envelope, and send it back in. There will be locations to drop off ballots, and you can still vote in person at your town clerk's office on or before Election Day, November 3rd. You can register to vote, or track your ballot at: mvp.vermont.gov.

3. Join Vermont Conservation Voters.

Vermont Conservation Voters is working hard to ensure that pro-environment candidates are elected, and to bring your environmental values to the tough fights at the State House. Please join other Vermonters by becoming a supporter today. Find out more at: VermontConservationVoters.org.