

Our scorecard follows eight key public interest votes considered in the Massachusetts Legislature during the 2007-2008 legislative session. The Senate recorded votes on five of these bills, the House of Representatives voted on seven.

### VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

#### 1. H. 4018 – ID Theft (5/9/07)

##### S. 4144 – ID Theft (7/17/07)

The passage of the Identity Theft Prevention Law set new standards for how personal information is protected and disposed of, ensuring that businesses collecting consumer data must notify affected individuals if their personal information is lost or stolen. It also allows consumers to safeguard their own information by “freezing” their credit reports.

#### 2. H. 4637 – Transportation Bond Engrossment (4/2/08)

The state Legislature passed transportation bond legislation that authorizes \$700 million for public transportation improvements and expansions, such as the Green Line extension to Somerville and Medford, additional stops on the Fairmont commuter rail line, more parking at transit hubs, and a study on linking the MBTA Blue and Red lines.

#### 3. S. 4637 – Transportation Bond (4/3/08)

##### H. 4637 – Transportation Bond Concurrence (4/8/08)

The passage of the Transportation Bond legislation (see #2 above) was modified in the Senate. The Senate version contained a reform component that allows for civilian flaggers to replace paid police details at certain transportation projects. The amendment prevailed and was included in the House concurrence vote.

#### 4. H. 4645 – Tax Loopholes (4/10/08)

##### S. 2685 – Tax Loopholes (5/6/08)

The passage of the Tax Fairness Bill closed an estimated \$400 million in corporate tax loopholes, restoring integrity to our tax code and leveling the playing field among all taxpayers.

#### 5. H. 4346 – Trans Fats (6/4/08)

An Act Protecting the Public Health would restrict the presence of trans fats in foods served in restaurants and hotels to help protect the health of Massachusetts citizens. This bill passed in the House, but was not voted on by the Senate.

#### 6. H. 4952 – National Popular Vote (7/9/08)

The National Popular Vote Bill would establish an interstate compact—or agreement—among joining states so that their electors would vote for the candidate who wins the national popular vote, meaning that for the first time every vote counts. This bill was passed by the House and Senate, but the Legislature failed to give the bill the final enactment vote it needed to become law.

#### 7. S. 2660 – Rx Drug Marketing Reform (4/17/08)

##### H. 2660 – Rx Drug Marketing Reform (7/16/08)

The passage of the Health Care Cost Control Law lowers health care costs and promote patient safety by: limiting gifts that drug and medical device companies can give to doctors; establishing an evidence-based prescribing program; establishing uniform billing codes; disclosing hospital infections and more.

#### 8. S. 2807 – Election Day Registration (7/29/08)

The Election Day Registration Bill allows voters to register to vote on Election Day, thereby increasing voter participation, ensuring that votes are counted, and extending the fundamental right to vote to new constituencies. This bill was passed by the Senate, but the House failed to take the bill up for a vote.

### STATE SENATE

| Senator                 | 1 | 3 | 4 | 7 | 8 | Total |
|-------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|-------|
| Robert A. Antonioni     | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Edward M. Augustus, Jr. | + | + | + | x | + | 4/5   |
| Steven A. Baddour       | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Frederick E. Berry      | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Stephen M. Brewer       | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Scott P. Brown          | + | + | x | + | + | 4/5   |
| Stephen J. Buoniconti   | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Gale D. Candaras        | x | + | + | + | + | 4/5   |
| Harriette L. Chandler   | x | + | + | + | + | 4/5   |
| Robert S. Creedon, Jr.  | + | + | x | + | + | 4/5   |
| Cynthia S. Creem        | x | + | + | + | + | 4/5   |
| Benjamin B. Downing     | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Susan C. Fargo          | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Anthony D. Galluccio    |   | + | + | + | + | 4/4   |
| John Hart               | + | + | + | + | - | 4/5   |
| Robert L. Hedlund       | + | + | - | + | - | 3/5   |
| Patricia D. Jehlen      | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Brian A. Joyce          | + | + | - | x | + | 3/5   |
| Michael R. Knapik       | + | + | - | + | - | 3/5   |
| J. James Marzilli, Jr.  | x | + | + | + | x | 3/5   |
| Thomas M. McGee         | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Joan M. Menard          | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Mark C. Montigny        | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Richard T. Moore        | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Michael W. Morrissey    | + | + | - | + | + | 4/5   |
| Therese Murray *        |   |   |   |   |   |       |
| Robert O’Leary          | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Marc R. Pacheco         | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Steven C. Panagiotakos  | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Anthony Petruccelli     | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Pamela P. Resor         | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Stanley C. Rosenberg    | x | + | + | + | + | 4/5   |
| Karen E. Spilka         | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Bruce E. Tarr           | + | + | - | + | + | 4/5   |
| James E. Timilty        | + | + | + | + | - | 4/5   |
| Richard R. Tisei        | + | + | - | + | - | 3/5   |
| Steven A. Tolman        | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Susan C. Tucker         | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |
| Marian Walsh            | + | + | + | P | + | 4/5   |
| Dianne Wilkerson        | + | + | + | + | + | 5/5   |

### KEY

+ = Vote in the public interest      x = Absent (counts against)  
- = Vote against the public interest      P = Present

\* Senate President does not usually vote except in the case of a tie.

## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

| Representative           | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | Total | Representative          | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | Total | Representative         | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | Total |
|--------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------|-------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------|------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|-------|
| Kevin Aguiar             | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Susan W. Gifford        | + | + | - | - | - | - | + | 3/7   | Thomas M. Petrolati    | + | + | + | x | + | + | + | 6/7   |
| Geraldo Alicea           | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Anne M. Gobi            | + | + | + | + | - | + | + | 6/7   | William Pignatelli     | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Willie Mae Allen         | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Thomas A. Golden, Jr.   | + | + | x | + | + | + | x | 5/7   | Elizabeth A. Poirier   | + | + | + | - | - | - | + | 4/7   |
| Cory Atkins              | x | + | - | + | + | + | + | 5/7   | Mary E. Grant           | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Karyn E. Polito        | + | + | - | - | - | - | + | 3/7   |
| Demetrius J. Atsalis     | + | + | + | + | - | + | + | 6/7   | William G. Greene, Jr.  | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   | Denise Provost         | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   |
| Bruce J. Ayers           | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Denis E. Guyer          | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Angelo Puppolo         | + | + | - | + | + | - | + | 5/7   |
| Ruth B. Balser           | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Patricia A. Haddad      | + | + | + | + | + | - | + | 6/7   | John F. F. Quinn       | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Fred Barrows             | + | + | - | - | - | - | + | 3/7   | Geoffrey D. Hall        | + | + | + | + | x | + | + | 6/7   | Kathi-Anne Reinstein   | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Carlo P. Basile          | + | + | + | x | + | + | + | 6/7   | Robert S. Hargraves     | + | + | - | - | - | - | + | 3/7   | Robert L. Rice, Jr.    | + | + | + | + | - | + | + | 6/7   |
| John J. Binienda         | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Lida E. Harkins         | + | + | + | + | + | - | + | 6/7   | Pam Richardson         | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   |
| Daniel E. Bosley         | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Bradford Hill           | + | + | - | - | - | - | + | 3/7   | Michael J. Rodrigues   | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Garrett J. Bradley       | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Kevin G. Honan          | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Mary S. Rogeness       | + | + | + | - | - | - | + | 4/7   |
| William Brownsberger     | + | + | + | + | + | - | + | 6/7   | Donald F. Humason, Jr.  | + | + | - | - | - | - | + | 3/7   | John H. Rogers         | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Antonio F.D. Cabral      | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Frank M. Hynes          | + | + | - | + | - | + | + | 5/7   | Richard J. Ross        | + | + | + | - | - | - | + | 4/7   |
| Jennifer M. Callahan     | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Bradley H. Jones, Jr.   | + | + | + | - | - | - | + | 4/7   | Michael F. Rush        | + | + | - | + | + | - | + | 5/7   |
| Thomas J. Calter, III    | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   | Louis L. Kafka          | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Byron Rushing          | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Linda D. Campbell        | + | + | + | + | - | - | + | 5/7   | Michael F. Kane         | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Jeffrey Sanchez        | + | + | x | + | + | + | x | 5/7   |
| Christine E. Canavan     | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Rachel Kaprielian       | + | + | + | + |   |   |   | 4/4   | Rosemary Sandlin       | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Stephen R. Canessa       | + | + | + | + | + | - | + | 6/7   | Jay R. Kaufman          | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Tom Sannicandro        | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Paul C. Casey            | + | + | - | - | + | + | + | 5/7   | John D. Keenan          | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Angelo M. Scaccia      | + | + | + | + | + | - | + | 6/7   |
| Katherine Clark          | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Thomas P. Kennedy       | + | + | + | + | x | + | + | 6/7   | John W. Scibak         | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Cheryl A. Coakley-Rivera | + | + | + | + | + | x | + | 6/7   | Kay Khan                | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Carl Sciortino         | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   |
| Thomas Conroy            | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Peter V. Kocot          | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Stephen S. Smith       | x | + | - | + | + | - | + | 4/7   |
| Michael A. Costello      | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Robert M. Koczera       | + | + | + | + | + | - | + | 6/7   | Frank I. Smizik        | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Geraldine Creedon        | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   | Peter J. Koutoujian     | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Todd M. Smola          | + | + | - | - | - | - | + | 3/7   |
| Sean Curran              | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Paul Kujawski           | + | + | - | - | + | + | + | 5/7   | Theodore C. Spiliotis  | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Steven D'Amico           | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Stephen Kulik           | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Robert P. Spellane     | + | + | + | + | + | - | + | 6/7   |
| Robert A. DeLeo          | + | + | + | + | x | + | + | 6/7   | William Lantigua        | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Christopher Speranzo   | + | + | + | + | + | x | + | 6/7   |
| Vinny M. deMacedo        | + | + | + | - | - | - | + | 4/7   | John A. Lepper          | + | + | - | - | - | - | + | 3/7   | Joyce A. Spiliotis     | + | + | - | + | - | + | + | 5/7   |
| Brian S. Dempsey         | + | + | + | + | - | + | + | 6/7   | David P. Linsky         | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Marie P. St. Fleur     | + | + | + | + | + | x | + | 6/7   |
| Salvatore DiMasi         | + | + | + | + | + | + | x | 6/7   | Barbara A. L'Italien    | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Thomas M. Stanley      | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Stephen DiNatale         | + | + | + | + | - | + | + | 6/7   | Paul J. Loscocco        | + | + | + | x | - | x | + | 4/7   | Harriett L. Stanley    | x | + | + | + | x | + | + | 5/7   |
| Paul J. Donato           | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Elizabeth A. Malia      | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Ellen Story            | x | + | + | + | + | + | + | 6/7   |
| Christopher J. Donelan   | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Ronald Mariano          | + | + | + | x | + | + | + | 6/7   | William M. Straus      | + | + | + | + | - | - | + | 5/7   |
| Joseph R. Driscoll, Jr.  | + | + | - | + | - | - | + | 4/7   | Allen McCarthy          | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | David B. Sullivan      | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Lori Ehrlich             | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Paul McMurtry           | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Benjamin Swan          | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| James B. Eldridge        | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   | James R. Miceli         | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Walter F. Timilty      | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   |
| Lewis G. Evangelidis     | + | + | - | - | - | - | + | 3/7   | Michael Moran           | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Stephen A. Tobin       | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| James H. Fagan           | + | + | + | + | + | - | + | 6/7   | Charles A. Murphy       | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Timothy J. Toomey, Jr. | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   |
| Christopher G. Fallon    | + | x | x | x | x | + | + | 3/7   | James M. Murphy         | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | David M. Torrissi      | + | + | + | + | + | - | + | 6/7   |
| Mark V. Falzone          | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   | Kevin J. Murphy         | + | + | + | + | + | x | + | 6/7   | Eric Turkington        | + | + | + | + | - | + | + | 6/7   |
| Robert F. Fennell        | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | David M. Nangle         | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Cleon H. Turner        | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   |
| John Fernandes           | + | + | + | + | x | - | + | 5/7   | Patrick M. Natale       | + | + | - | - | + | + | + | 5/7   | James E. Vallee        | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Barry R. Finegold        | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Harold P. Naughton, Jr. | + | + | + | + | x | + | + | 6/7   | Anthony J. Verga       | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| Jennifer L. Flanagan     | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Robert J. Nyman         | + | + | + | + | - | + | + | 6/7   | Joseph F. Wagner       | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| David L. Flynn           | + | x | + | + | + | + | x | 5/7   | James J. O'Day          | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Brian P. Wallace       | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   |
| Linda D. Forry           | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Eugene L. O'Flaherty    | + | + | + | + | + | - | + | 6/7   | Patricia A. Walrath    | + | + | + | + | + | - | + | 6/7   |
| Gloria L. Fox            | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Matthew Patrick         | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   | Steven M. Walsh        | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   |
| John P. Fresolo          | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   | Sarah K. Peake          | + | + | + | + | - | + | + | 6/7   | Martin J. Walsh        | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   |
| Paul K. Frost            | + | + | - | - | - | - | + | 3/7   | Vincent A. Pedone       | + | + | + | + | x | + | + | 6/7   | Martha M. Walz         | + | + | + | + | - | + | x | 5/7   |
| William C. Galvin        | + | x | - | + | + | + | + | 5/7   | Alice H. Peisch         | + | + | + | + | + | + | + | 7/7   | Daniel K. Webster      | + | + | - | - | - | - | + | 3/7   |
| Sean Garballey           | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   | Jeffrey D. Perry        | + | + | - | - | - | - | + | 3/7   | James T. Welch         | + | x | + | + | + | + | + | 6/7   |
| Colleen M. Garry         | + | + | - | - | - | - | + | 3/7   | George N. Peterson, Jr. | + | + | + | - | - | - | + | 4/7   | Alice K. Wolf          | + | + | - | + | + | + | + | 6/7   |

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