



HEROES & ZEROS



Who's Representing Your Values in the Minnesota State Legislature?

HEROES



B. Anderson
(19A) 100%



M. Buesgens
(35B) 100%



T. Emmer
(19B) 100%



S. Drazkowski
(28B) 100%



Kurt Zellers
(32B) 100%

Honorable Mentions:

- Tom Hackbarth (48A) 98%
- Mary Holberg (36A) 98%
- Mark Olson (16B) 98%
- Ron Shimanski (18A) 98%
- Michael Beard (35A) 98%
- Laura Brod (25A) 95%
- Matt Dean (52B) 95%
- Chris DeLaForest (49A) 95%
- Bob Dettmer (52A) 95%
- Rob Eastlund (17A) 95%
- Sondra Erickson (16A) 95%
- Brad Finstad (21B) 94%
- Paul Kohls (34A) 95%
- Marty Seifert (21A) 95%
- Steve Gottwalt (15A) 93%
- Torrey Westrom (11A) 93%
- Dan Severson (14A) 93%
- Joyce Peppin (32A) 93%
- Joe Hoppe (34B) 93%
- Pat Garofalo (36B) 90%
- Erik Paulsen (42B) 90%
- Dean Simpson (10B) 90%
- Steve Sviggum (28B) 90%

Minnesota Majority tracked over 40 votes in the 2007-2008 legislative sessions, spanning a wide range of issues including taxes, government spending, parental rights, property rights, health care, education and energy policy. In many ways, these votes represent the front-line in the battle to defend traditional values in Minnesota's public policy.

We scored each state representative on how well they supported the "traditional values" position on the issues. Five legislators earned a perfect 100% score and were our top "Heroes" – Representatives Bruce Anderson, Mark Buesgens, Tom Emmer, Steve Drazkowski and Kurt Zellers. An additional 23 House members receive an honorable mention for supporting "traditional values" positions 90% of the time or better.

On the opposite side we have our "Zeros" – legislators who more often than not voted against the interests of everyday Minnesotans. Instead, these House members supported policies that would raise your taxes, expand government and reduce your freedoms. A total of 9 House members were perfect "Zeros". An additional 18 members receive a "dishonorable" mention for scoring 5% or less.

Where Does Your Representative Stand?

Review the attached legislative scorecard to see how your state representative scored against our "traditional values" agenda.

You Can Make a Difference

Contact your legislator and tell them how you feel about their score. Help spread the word by distributing copies of this flyer and the scorecard to your friends and neighbors. Register to receive our email updates by visiting our website at MinnesotaMajority.org.



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ZEROS



M. Kelliher
(60A)0%



W. Dominguez
(58B)0%



F. Hornstein
(60B)0%



C. Mariani
(65B)0%



C. Thao
(65A)0%



A. Hausman
(66B)0%



N. Walker
(61B)0%



S. Johnson
(67B)0%



K. Clark
(61A)0%

Dishonorable Mentions

- Erin Murphy (64A) 5%
- Diane Loeffler (59A) 5%
- Carolyn Laine (50A) 5%
- Melissa Hortman (47B) 5%
- Bill Hilty (8A) 5%
- Mindy Greiling (54A) 5%
- Kathy Brynaert (23B) 5%
- David Bly (25B) 5%
- Jean Wagenius (62B) 2%
- Tom Tillberry (51B) 2%
- Linda Slocum (63B) 2%
- Mike Nelson (46A) 2%
- Joe Mullery (58A) 2%
- Tim Mahoney (67A) 2%
- Phyllis Kahn (59B) 2%
- Mike Jaros (07B) 2%
- Jim Davnie (62A) 2%
- Lyndon Carlson (45B) 2%

Minnesota Majority 2007-2008 Legislative Scorecard for the MN House of Representatives

Representative	District	Party	Education					Energy		Gov. & Politics				Health Care		Immigration					Life					Mar. & Family		Rights & Liberties					Taxes & Spending														Total Score			
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Sertich, Anthony	05B	D	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5%		
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Minnesota Majority 2007-2008 Legislative Scorecard for the MN House of Representatives

SCORECARD LEGEND

Voted with our position (+) Voted against our position (-) Did not vote ([]) Not in office (na)

EDUCATION

01. **Tuition Rate Freeze:** Amendment to SF1989 to prohibit tuition increases at the University of Minnesota and other state colleges and universities for two years. HJ page 4037.
02. **Eliminate Funding for International Baccalaureate:** Amendment to HF6 to eliminate funding for the International Baccalaureate program. HJ page 3966.
03. **Parental Consent to Test Students' Beliefs:** Amendment to HF 6 requiring parental consent to survey children's personal behaviors, family life or religious beliefs. HJ page 3979.
04. **Eliminate Comprehensive Sex Education Mandate:** Amendment to HF6 to eliminate contraceptive curriculum promoting alternative lifestyles and sex practices. HJ page 3985.
05. **Provide Abstinence Until Marriage Curriculum:** Amendment to HF6 to offer an abstinence alternative to the proposed contraceptive education curriculum. HJ page 3984.

ENERGY

06. **Renewable Energy Mandate:** SF0004 creates mandates for increased "renewable energy sources", driving-up the cost of gas and electricity for most Minnesotans. HJ page 446.
07. **Cap-and-Trade Hidden Tax Increase:** Authorized a study of a proposed cap-and-trade program that would tax carbon dioxide and driving-up the costs of energy. HJ page 12151.

GOVERNMENT & POLITICS

08. **Government Take-Over of School Employee Health Insurance:** HF0464 implemented a statewide health insurance plan for school employees. HJ page 7538.
09. **Internet Pornography Filters in Public Libraries:** Amendment to HF1973 requiring Hennepin County to install pornography filters on computers accessed by children. HJ page 6850.
10. **Increase in Minimum Wage:** SF875 increases minimum wage to \$7.75/hour without inclusion of a credit for tipped employees and eliminates training wages. HJ page 11862.
11. **Stop Government Grants to Political Organizations:** Amendment to HF3220 preventing government grant money from going to nonprofits with political affiliations. HJ page 9517.

HEALTH CARE

12. **Health Care 'Reform':** HF 3391 creates new layers of government bureaucracy and adds thousands of people to welfare health programs. HJ page 12065.
13. **Health Care Freedom to Buy Amendment:** Amendment to HF3391 allowing Minnesotans to purchase more competitive health plans from out-of-state providers. HJ page 10048.

IMMIGRATION

14. **Prevent In-State Tuition to Illegal Aliens:** Amendment to delete a provision from SF1989 that allows discounted in-state college tuition rates for illegal aliens. HJ page 4039.
15. **Notify Immigration Officials of Inmate Immigration Status:** Amendment to SF3235 requiring prisons to report inmates with unknown immigration. HJ page 10328.
16. **Verify Immigration Status for Public Assistance:** Amendment to HF3391 requiring verification of immigration status prior to receiving public assistance benefits. HJ page 10067.
17. **Stop LGA to Sanctuary Cities:** Amendment to HF3201 limiting Local Government Aid to only cities that allow law enforcement to verify immigration status. HJ page 8058.
18. **Illegal Aliens Ineligible for Transportation Tax Credit** Amendment limiting eligibility for transportation tax credit to those lawfully present in the US. HJ page 7879.

LIFE

19. **Ban Sex Selection Abortions:** Amendment to SF 2171 to ban abortions for the purpose of sex selection of the child. HJ page 4284.
20. **Eliminate Taxpayer Funding of Abortion:** Amendment to SF2171 that would forbid funding to state-sponsored health programs being used to pay for abortions. HJ page 4075.
21. **Ban Genetic Testing Abortions:** Amendment to SF2171 making it unlawful to perform an abortion based on the results of genetic testing of the unborn child. HJ page 4265.
22. **Ethical Stem Cell Research:** Amendment to SF100 that would have only authorized funding for research that did not result in the destruction of human embryos. HJ page 11394.
23. **Prevent Government Grants For Abortions:** Amendment to HF3220 preventing local government grants from going to organizations that provide abortions. HJ page 9520.

MARRIAGE & FAMILY

24. **Give Married Couples Priority in Adoption Placement:** Amendment to SF2171 to provide married couples priority over unmarried persons in adoption placements. HJ page 4313.
25. **Modify Definition of Dependent:** SF960 amends the definition of dependents allowing government units to extend benefits to homosexual partners. HJ page 12216.

RIGHTS & LIBERTIES

26. **Statewide Smoking Ban:** SF238 established an indoor smoking ban on private property including bars, restaurants and private clubs. HJ page 6581.
27. **Parental Notice to Dispense Oral Contraceptives:** Amendment to SF2171 requiring notification of parents before dispensing oral contraceptives to minor children. HJ page 4308.
28. **Warehousing Newborn DNA:** SF 3138 removes the requirement for explicit parental consent for health officials to collect and store samples of newborns' DNA. HJ page 12224.
29. **Require Photo Voter ID:** Amendment to HF1298 which would require the presentation of a photographic ID in order to vote. HJ page 9812.

TAXES & SPENDING

30. **Increased Taxes and Government Spending:** HF2268 included tax increases, increased local government aid and mandates automatic spending increases. HJ page 7575.
31. **Restrict Bonding to Emergency Spending:** Amendment to HF886 to reduce a pork-laden \$334 million bonding bill to \$8 million for emergency spending only. HJ page 2222.
32. **Eliminate State Income Tax on Social Security Income:** Amendment to HF3149 eliminating state income tax of Social Security income. HJ page 11320.
33. **Tax Increase on Compressed Natural Gas:** SF3564 imposes a 37% tax increase on compressed natural gas for transportation. HJ page 10737.
34. **Omnibus Bonding Bill:** Were it not for line-item vetoes, HF 380 would borrow over one billion dollars for mostly "pork barrel" spending projects. HJ page 9689.
35. **Property Tax Increase:** Omnibus tax bill HF3201 raises property taxes for most Minnesota property owners. HJ page 8103.
36. **Limit Tax Increases on Cabins and Recreational Property:** Amendment to HF3201 that would have limited property tax increases on recreational property. HJ page 8072.
37. **Property Tax Freeze for Seniors:** Amendment to HF3201 preventing an increase in the assessed taxable value of homes owned by senior citizens. See HJ page 8099.
38. **Override Governor's Veto of Gas and Sales Tax Increases:** A vote to override the governor's veto of HF2800 which increased taxes by \$6.6 billion. HJ page 7889.
39. **Massive Transportation Tax Increase:** HF2800 created one of the single largest tax increases in Minnesota's history by raising gas, excise and sales taxes. HJ page 7883.
40. **Require Referendum for Sales Tax Hike:** Amendment to HF2800 that would require a referendum to raise the sales tax in affected counties. HJ page 7862.
41. **Arts/Outdoors Sales Tax Increase:** A historic \$11 billion sales tax increase for the arts and outdoors to be approved by voters via a constitutional amendment. HJ page 7684.
42. **Reduce Income Taxes in all Brackets:** An amendment to HF3149 to reduce state income taxes in all brackets by 1/2%. HJ page 11297.
43. **Super Majority Required to Raise Taxes:** An amendment to the rules of the House requiring a 60% majority to raise taxes. HJ page 586.