

**TEXAS LEAGUE OF  
CONSERVATION VOTERS  
2005 SCORECARD**

**BEST & WORST of 2005**

**Best (100%)**

Allen, Alma  
Alonzo, Roberto  
Anchia, Rafael  
Burnam, Lon  
Castro, Joaquin  
Coleman, Garnet F.  
Dukes, Dawwna  
Dunnam, Jim  
Farrar, Jessica  
Gonzales, Veronica  
Herrero, Abel  
Jones, Jesse  
Leibowitz, David McQuade  
Martinez Fischer, Trey  
Martinez, Armando  
Moreno, Joe  
Moreno, Paul  
Naishtat, Elliott  
Noriega, Melissa  
Olivo, Dora  
Rodriguez, Eddie  
Solis, Jim  
Uresti, Carlos  
Veasey, Marc

**Worst (0%)**

Branch, Dan  
Crownover, Myra  
Driver, Joe  
Geren, Charlie  
Hamric, Peggy  
Howard, Charlie F.  
Kuempel, Edmund  
Smith, Wayne  
Talton, Robert E.  
West, G. E. "Buddy"  
Woolley, Beverly

**Honorable Mention**

**KEY TO HOUSE VOTES, 79<sup>th</sup> LEGISLATIVE SESSION**

**HB 2833 by Cook**  
(takings)

1. Vote on HB 2833. The bill would have decimated existing water quality protections by making local governments vulnerable to unlimited developer lawsuits simply for protecting health, safety, and quality of life. *(vote against the bill is correct vote)*
2. Rep. Burnam's amendment would have protected local governments from lawsuits when they act to protect against real and substantial public health and safety threats. *(vote against motion to table is the correct vote)*
3. Rep. Burnam's amendment would have required that any "takings" payment to a developer be offset by any government caused increase in property value. *(vote against motion to table is the correct vote)*
4. Rep. Rodriguez's amendment would have ensured local governments could protect the quality of public drinking water, wells, rivers and lakes. *(vote against motion to table is the correct vote)*

**SB 848 by Shapiro**  
(local government permits)

5. Rep. Leibowitz's amendment would have ensured local government can safeguard the public's drinking water supply by preventing developers from using grandfathering exceptions in permitting development of land. *(vote against motion to table is the correct vote)*

**HB 86 by Smith, W.**  
(pollution violation history)

6. This bill would relax penalties for a company's pollution violations. For repeat violator penalties, TCEQ would only be able to consider violations at the same site; not violations at all the company's locations. *(vote against the bill is correct vote.)*

**HB 1900 by Bonnen**  
(toxic air emissions)

7. Rep. Herrero's amendment would have addressed toxic air emission problems highlighted by the *Houston Chronicle* series "In Harm's Way", and required facilities to install monitoring equipment to measure unauthorized air pollution. *(vote against motion to table is the correct vote)*
8. Rep. Herrero's amendment would have fined facilities for unauthorized air emissions. *(vote against motion to table is the correct vote)*
9. Rep. Goodman's amendment would have strengthened standards for the health effects of toxic air emissions and penalized violators. *(vote*

Toby Goodman—for achieving the highest Republican score: 62%.

**Dishonorable Mention**

Speaker Tom Craddick—for not allowing the bipartisan, coalition supported water bill, SB3, to come to the floor for a vote. Thereby killing this critical legislation.

*against motion to table is the correct vote)*

**HB 1429 by Kuempel**  
(concrete plant permits)

- 10. Rep. Rodriguez's amendment toughened penalties against rock crusher facilities operating without required permits. *(vote against motion to table is the correct vote)*
- 11. Rep. Burnam's amendment protected the health and safety of the public by authorizing TCEQ to close rock crusher facilities operating without required permits. *(vote against motion to table is the correct vote)*

**SB 712 by Carona**  
(energy)

- 12. Rep. P. King's amendment prevents renewable energy producers from being penalized by transmission companies in ERCOT. *(vote for the amendment is the correct vote)*

**SB 743 by Fraser**  
(energy)

- 13. Rep. Swinford's amendment would have required the competitive renewable energy zones and transmission capacity necessary to deliver nearly 7% of Texas' electricity from renewable energy resources in a cost-effective manner. *(vote for the amendment is the correct vote)*

Representative (Party, District)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	Score
Allen, Alma (D131)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Allen, Ray (R106)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	15%
Alonzo, Roberto (D104)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Anchia, Rafael (D103)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Anderson, Charles "Doc" (R56)	-	-	-	-	-	-	E	E	E	-	+	+	+	30%
Bailey, Kevin (D140)	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	E	E	+	E	80%
Baxter, Todd (R48)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	31%
Berman, Leo (R6)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	8%
Blake Jr., Roy (R9)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	15%
Bohac, Dwayne (R138)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	15%
Bonnen, Dennis (R25)	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8%
Branch, Dan (R108)	-	-	-	-	-	-	E	E	E	C	-	P	P	0%
Brown, Betty (R4)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	15%
Brown, Fred (R14)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	8%
Burnam, Lon (D90)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Callegari, William "Bill" (R132)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	15%
Campbell, Scott (R72)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	23%
Casteel, Carter (R73)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	8%
Castro, Joaquin (D125)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Chavez, Norma (D76)	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	62%
Chisum, Warren (R88)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	A	-	-	P	+	8%
Coleman, Garnet F. (D147)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Cook, Byron (R8)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	23%
Cook, Robert "Robby" (D17)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	23%
Corte Jr., Frank J. (R122)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	15%
Crabb, Joe (R127)	-	-	-	A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	8%
Craddick, Tom (R82)	P	P	P	P	C	P	C	C	C	P	C	P	P	**
Crownover, Myra (R64)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	A	0%
Davis, John E. (R129)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	A	A	+	+	-	-	15%
Davis, Yvonne (D111)	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	92%
Dawson, Glenda (R29)	+	-	-	-	E	A-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8%
Delisi, Dianne White (R55)	-	-	-	-	E	E	-	-	+	+	+	A	+	36%



Luna, Vilma (D33)	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	54%
Madden, Jerry (R67)	-	+	-	-	-	E	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	25%
Martinez Fischer, Trey (D116)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Martinez, Armando (D39)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
McCall, Brian (R66)	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	A	-	+	31%
McClendon, Ruth (D120)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
McReynolds, Jim (D12)	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	38%
Menendez, Jose (D124)	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	85%
Merritt, Tommy (R7)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	E	E	+	-	9%
Miller, Sid (R59)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	P	-	-	+	+	15%
Moreno, Joe (D77)	*	*	*	*	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	*	*	100%
Moreno, Paul (D143)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Morrison, Geanie (R30)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	A	-	-	+	+	15%
Mowery, Anna (R97)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	15%
Naishtat, Elliott (D49)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Nixon, Joe M. (R133)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	A	-	8%
Noriega, Melissa (D145)	+	+	+	+	+	E	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Oliveira, Rene O. (D37)	-	-	-	A	-	-	A	A	A	+	-	+	+	23%
Olivo, Dora (D27)	+	+	+	+	E	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Orr, Rob (R58)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	15%
Otto, John (R18)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	15%
Paxton, Ken (R70)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	15%
Pena, Aaron (D40)	+	+	+	+	A	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	85%
Phillips, Larry (R62)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	15%
Pickett, Joe (D79)	-	-	-	-	-	-	A	+	+	-	+	-	+	3 1%
Pitts, Jim (R10)	E	E	E	E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	22%
Puente, Robert (D119)	+	+	+	A	+	+	+	+	A	+	+	+	+	85%
Quintanilla, Chente (D75)	-	-	-	-	A	+	+	+	A	+	+	+	-	46%
Raymond, Richard (D42)	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	69%
Reyna, Elvira (R101)	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	23%
Riddle, Debbie (R150)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	A	+	-	+	15%
Ritter, Allan (D21)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	8%
Rodriguez, Eddie (D51)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Rose, Patrick M. (D45)	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	69%
Seaman, Gene (R32)	-	A	A	-	-	-	-	-	A	A	-	-	+	8%
Smith, Todd (R92)	-	-	-	A	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	38%
Smith, Wayne (R128)	-	-	-	-	A	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Smithee, John T. (R86)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	15%
Solis, Jim (D38)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Solomons, Burt R. (R65)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	A	23%
Strama, Mark (D50)	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	69%
Straus, Joe (R121)	-	-	-	-	-	A-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	15%
Swinford, David (R87)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	15%
Talton, Robert E. (R144)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	E	E	-	-	0%
Taylor, Larry (R24)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	8%
Thompson, Senfronia (D141)	A	A	A	A	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	A	-	46%
Truitt, Vicki (R98)	-	+	-	-	-	E	-	-	-	+	+	-	+	33%
Turner, Sylvester (D139)	C	C	C	C	+	+	+	A	+	+	+	-	+	78%
Uresti, Carlos (D118)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	E	+	100%
Van Arsdale, Corbin (R130)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	23%
Veasey, Marc (D95)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Villarreal, Michael (D123)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	A	+	92%
Vo, Hubert (D149)	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	92%
West, G. E. "Buddy" (R81)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
Wong, Martha (R134)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	8%
Woolley, Beverly (R136)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	C	-	0%
Zedler, Bill (R96)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	8%

KEY

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VOTES RECORDED

- + = Correct vote
- = Incorrect vote
- E = Excused absence
- A = Absent
- P = Present, not voting
- C = Chair
- \* = Vacant-seat
- \*\* = By tradition, the Speaker or Chair does not vote

**Note:** Members were not penalized for Excused absences.

1. HB 2833 2nd Reading, RV # 532
2. Burnam amendment to HB 2833, RV # 526
3. Burnam amendment to HB 2833, RV # 528
4. Rodriguez amendment to HB 2833, RV # 530
5. Leibowitz amendment to HB 848, RV # 350
6. HB 86 TCEQ compliance history, RV # 123
7. Herrero amendment to HB 1900, RV # 460
8. Herrero amendment to HB 1900, RV # 461
9. Goodman amendment to HB 1900, RV # 462
10. Rodriguez amendment to HB 1429, RV # 194
11. Burnam amendment to HB 1429, RV # 196
12. P. King amendment to SB 712, RV # 830
13. Swinford amendment to SB 743, RV # 753