

Wisconsin AFL-CIO: Releases 2017-2018 Wisconsin state Legislature voting record

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Voting scorecard key tool in holding politicians accountable to working families

(TUESDAY, JULY 17, 2018) — The Wisconsin State AFL-CIO is releasing its 2017-2018 Voting Record for the Wisconsin State Legislature. The voting record serves as a resource to talk with union members and educate all working families on how our elected representatives voted on working-class issues.

In the Assembly, the Wisconsin State AFL-CIO [tracked 16 key votes](#). In the Senate, [11 votes were analyzed](#). Lawmakers were graded (R for Right, W for Wrong) on how they voted on a [variety of bills](#) including bills to weaken Wisconsin's child labor law, bar local governments from using Project Labor Agreements, preempt local communities from enhancing employment standards, eliminate both prevailing wage and regular renewals of teacher licensing while failing to responsibly fund and fix our state's infrastructure needs and more.

“The Wisconsin State AFL-CIO Voting Record serves as a key tool to hold politicians accountable to working families,” said Phil Neuenfeldt, President of the Wisconsin State AFL-CIO. “Wisconsinites deserve to know how our politicians are voting. Our voting record clearly and concisely presents what politicians are up to in Madison. With the Wisconsin State AFL-CIO voting record in hand, we encourage all union members and working people to have a conversation with their representatives about the needs of working families and future of Wisconsin.”

“It’s clear from our voting record that lawmakers in Wisconsin are not doing enough to help working families get ahead in our economy,” said Stephanie Bloomingdale, Secretary-Treasurer of the Wisconsin State AFL-CIO. “Along with passing anti-worker bills that lower wages and weaken worker rights, the Legislature missed key opportunities to help working families by refusing to restore equal pay enforcement, expand BadgerCare, safeguard our water or implement Buy Wisconsin procurement standards to boost jobs and manufacturing. It is essential to a healthy democracy that we have transparency and this easy-to-review history of votes will serve as a clear record of where politicians stood on issues important to workers, our unions and our families.”