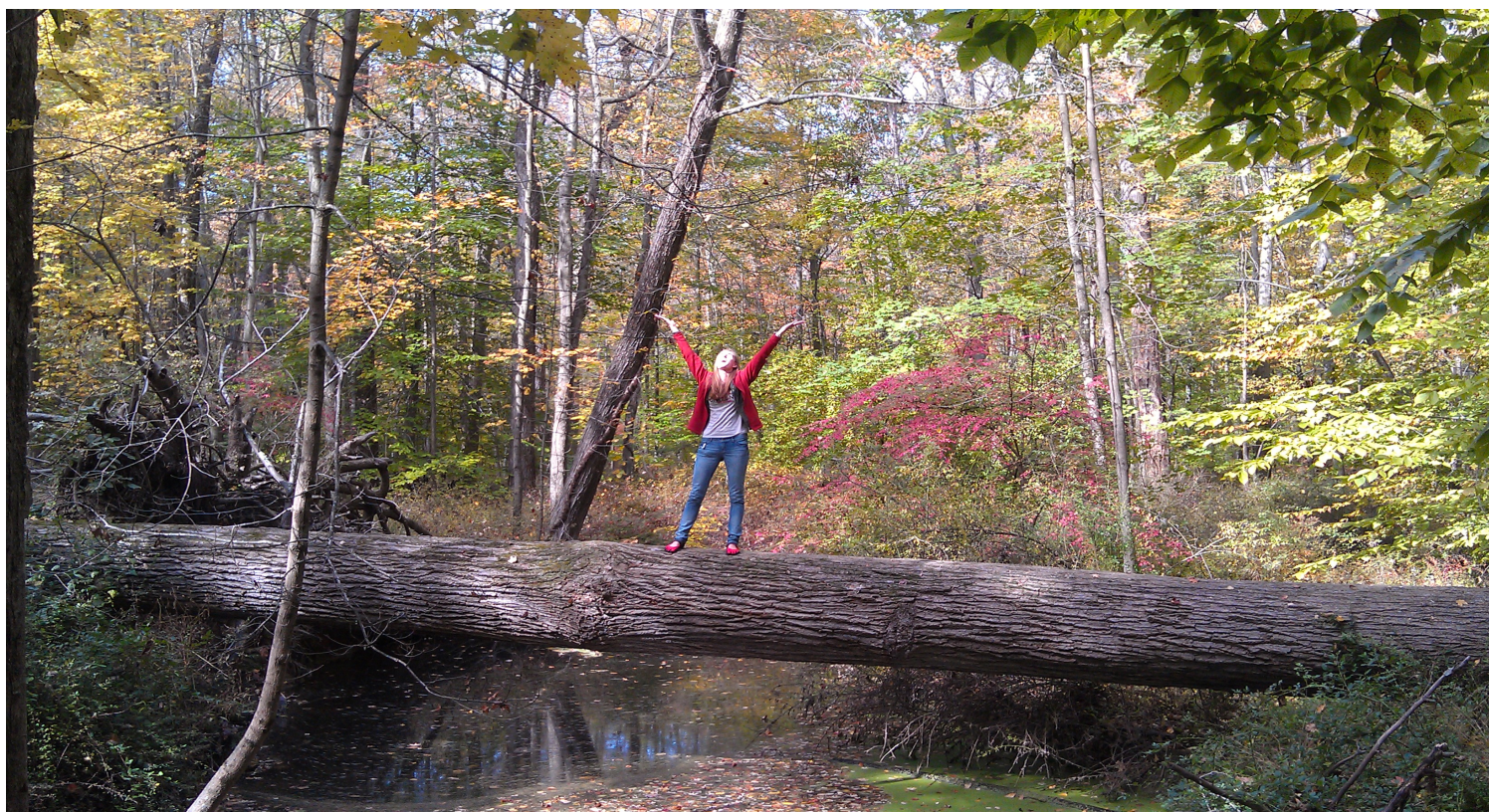




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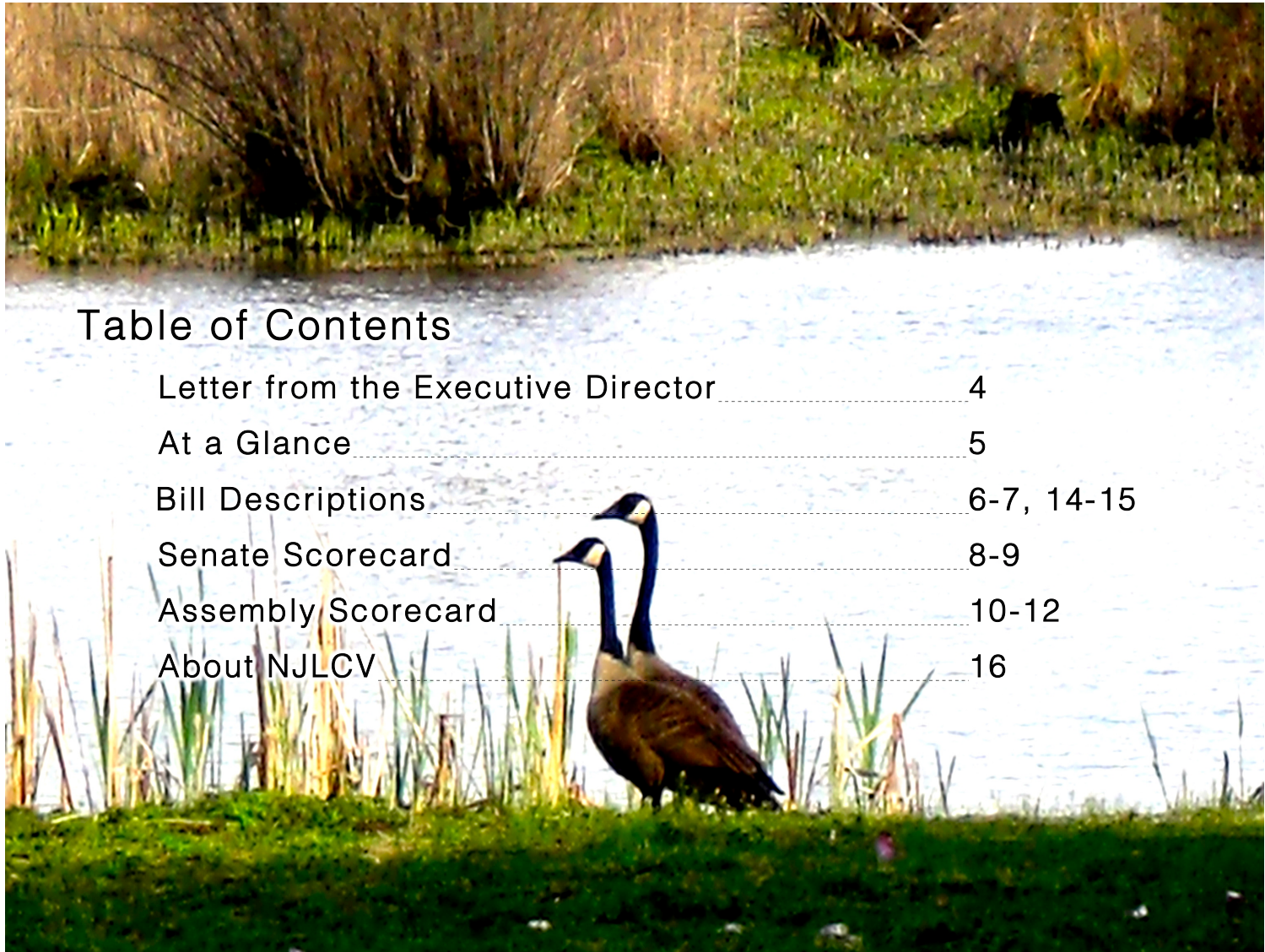


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Dear Fellow Conservation Voter,

I am pleased to present our 2013 Legislative Environmental Scorecard. This scorecard provides a comprehensive assessment of how well New Jersey's elected representatives are doing at protecting the environment.

The New Jersey League of Conservation Voters (NJLCV) empowers legislators by providing them the information they need to act effectively in protecting our water, air and open spaces. NJLCV is leading the effort to protect our precious resources by holding legislators accountable for their positions and votes on environmental issues. This Scorecard is an important component of our work.

Clearly the New Jersey Legislature is headed in the wrong direction, with the number of legislators who received a rating of 80% or better on our Scorecard in both the Senate and the Assembly down as compared to previous years.

Because of the Legislature's failure to reinstate New Jersey's participation in the Regional Greenhouse Gases Initiative (RGGI) our coastal businesses and families face increased threats to life and property as sea level continues to rise from climate change. After passing overwhelmingly in both chambers, a ban on the importation of toxic fracking waste from Pennsylvania was unable to muster enough votes to override the Governor's veto. And State supported open space preservation in the Garden State has ground to a halt without long-term, sustainable, funding.

We need more environmental champions in the New Jersey Legislature who are committed to improving the health our families and safeguarding our natural resources.

Please share this scorecard with your friends, family, colleagues, and neighbors so they know where their representatives stand on conserving our environment. Working together we can reverse course and make the environment a priority once again.

Thank you for your continued support for and involvement in our important fight.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Ed".

Edward Potosnak III
Executive Director, New Jersey League of Conservation Voters

Scorecard at a Glance...

Assembly 67%

Democrats 82%
 Republicans 44%

Top 3

John McKeon (D-27) 100%
 Joseph Cryan (D-20) 92%
 Mila Jasey (D-27) 92%

Bottom 3

David Rible (R-30) 15%
 David Russo (R-40) 23%
 Alison Little McHose (R-24) 38%

Senate 68%

Democrats 76%
 Republicans 61%

Top 3

Kip Bateman (R-16) 91%
 Loretta Weinberg (D-37) 82%
 Joe Vitale (D-19) 82%

Bottom 3

Samuel Thompson (R-12) 45%
 Joseph Kyrillos (R-13) 45%
 Paul Sarlo (D-36) 52%

Assembly Leadership

Speaker

Sheila Oliver (D-34) 85%

Majority Leader

Lou Greenwald (D-6) 85%

Majority Whip

Peter Barnes (D-18) 69%

Minority Leader

Jon Bramnick (R-21) 46%

Minority Whip

Scott Rumana (R-40) 38%

Senate Leadership

Senate President

Steve Sweeney (D-3) 82%

Majority Leader

Loretta Weinberg (D-37) 82%

Majority Whip

Sandra Cunningham (D-31) 73%

Minority Leader

Tom Kean, Jr. (R-21) 73%

Minority Whip

Kevin O'Toole (R-40) 73%

Assembly Committee Chairs

Appropriations

John Burzichelli (D-3) 77%

Agriculture and Natural Resources

Nelson Albano (D-1) 69%

Environment and Solid Waste

Grace Spencer (D-29) 85%

Transportation, Public Works, & Ind. Authorities

John Wisniewski (D-19) 85%

Senate Committee Chairs

Budget & Appropriations:

Paul Sarlo (D-36) 52%

Environment & Energy:

Bob Smith (D-17) 80%

Health, Human Services & Senior Citizens:

Joe Vitale (D-19) 82%

Transportation:

Nicholas Sacco (D-32) 64%

Description and Status of New Jersey Environmental Bills

As scored by the New Jersey League of Conservation Voters

1. Enforcing Environmental Regulations, Waiver Rule (ACR-37/SCR-59)

NJLCV Position: Support

Status: Passed by the Assembly, received by the Senate (2nd reading).

Reverses an executive order whereby the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection was given wide authority to waive compliance with established environmental regulations. These waivers weaken environmental protection and diminish the enforcement of critical environmental policies, rules, and regulations established by the legislature to protect health of New Jerseyans and safeguard our natural resources.

2. The Regional Greenhouse Gases Initiative (A-1998/S-1322)

NJLCV Position: Support

Status: Passed by both chambers, but vetoed by the Governor.

Requires New Jersey to re-join other northeastern states in the Regional Greenhouse Gases Initiative (RGGI). New Jersey's participation would help to address climate change by encouraging lower CO₂ emissions, providing substantial funding for energy efficiency programs, and enabling the state to expand its portfolio of environmentally sustainable energy options.

3. Prohibition of Hydraulic Fracturing Byproduct Disposal in NJ (A-575/S-253)

NJLCV Position: Support

Status: Passed both chambers, but vetoed by the Governor.

Prohibits the treatment, discharge, disposal, or storage of wastewater from hydraulic fracturing (fracking) in the Garden State. This toxic wastewater is laced with carcinogens and other dangerous and harmful chemicals. The importation of toxic fracking waste from neighboring states like Pennsylvania threatens New Jersey's water supply and the health of generations.

4. Extension of Permits for Development (A-1338/S-743)

NJLCV Position: Oppose

Status: Passed both chambers and signed by the Governor.

Extends the expiration date of building permits throughout the state. Extended development permits enable contractors to work outside the confines of current environmental regulations and standards for public health. The extended permits operate under outdated understandings, back as far as a decade and half, that ignore newer science and best management practices. Additionally, this bill expanded into environmentally sensitive areas previously protected from permit extension including the Highlands and Pinelands rendering them vulnerable to inappropriate development.

Description and Status of New Jersey Environmental Bills

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5. Fire Ecosystems Maintenance (A-329/S-2169)

NJLCV Position: Support

Status: Passed by the Assembly, received in the Senate.

Authorizes prescribed burning to support and enhance the natural diversity within forest habitats. Burning excess brush helps protect life and property from damaging wildfires while providing environmental benefits to our forests. The bill also implements much needed protections to shield burners and property owners from liability unless negligence is documented and allows the State to conduct burns or thinning on in-holding lands.

6. Farmland Preservation (A-3591/S-2394)

NJLCV Position: Support

Status: Passed by both chambers and signed by the Governor.

Appropriated \$24,290,379 from the “2009 Farmland Preservation Fund” and the “Garden State Farmland Preservation Trust Fund” to the State Agriculture Development Committee for farmland preservation purposes.

7. Funding for the Green Acres and Blue Acres Program (A-2248)

NJLCV Position: Support

Status: Passed by both chambers and signed by the Governor.

Appropriated \$45 million from “2009 Green Acres Fund” and \$12 million from the “2009 Blue Acres Fund” for State acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation, including Blue Acres projects. Funds obtained through this bill benefited not only the Blue Acres Program, but other conservation and public recreation efforts as well.

8. Funding for the Blue Acres and Green Acres Program (S-2246)

NJLCV Position: Support

Status: Passed by both chambers and signed by the Governor.

Appropriated \$55 million from “2009 Green Acres Fund” and \$2 million from the “2009 Blue Acres Fund” for State acquisition of lands for recreation and conservation, including Blue Acres projects. Funds obtained through this bill also provided support for park development projects.

9. Storm Water Management (A-2641/S-1557)

NJLCV Position: Support

Status: Passed by the Assembly, received in the Senate.

Authorizes municipalities with Combined Sewer Systems to create, operate, and maintain a stormwater utility system. Failure to manage storm water contributes to increased soil erosion, pollution of water supply, and flooding. A storm water management system would reduce the negative impact of sewer overflow and storm water runoff. As of 2011, New Jersey had over 250 Combined Sewer Outfalls. There is a the growing need for neighboring communities to collaborate through a stormwater utility, like municipalities do for drinking water.

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NJLCV's New Jersey State Senate Environmental Scorecard

District	First Name	Last Name	Party	Lifetime Score	2	3	4	6	7	8	10	13	14	15	16	2013 Score
1	Jeff	Van Drew	D	68%	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	73%
2	Jim	Whelan	D	85%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	82%
3	Stephen	Sweeney	D	85%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	82%
4	Fred	Madden	D	76%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	NV	NV	64%
5	Donald	Norcross	D	59%	✓	NV	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	NV	NV	55%
6	James	Beach	D	69%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	NV	✓	NV	64%
7	Diane	Allen	R	68%	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	✓	✓	✓	73%
8	Dawn Marie	Addiego	R	46%	✗	NV	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	NV	55%
9	Christopher	Connors	R	51%	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	✓	✓	✗	64%
10	James	Holzappel	R	55%	✗	✓	✗	NV	✓	✓	✓	NV	✓	✓	✗	55%
11	Jennifer	Beck	R	59%	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	NV	55%
12	Samuel	Thompson	R	45%	✗	NV	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	45%
13	Joseph	Kyrillos	R	48%	✗	NV	✗	NV	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	NV	45%
14	Linda	Greenstein	D	85%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	NV	82%
15	Shirley	Turner	D	85%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	82%
16	Kip	Bateman	R	77%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	91%
17	Bob	Smith	D	72%	✓	✓	NV	✓	✓	✓	Ex	✗	✓	✓	✓	80%
18	Barbara	Buono	D	85%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	82%
19	Joseph	Vitale	D	85%	✓	✓	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	✓	✓	✓	82%
20	Raymond	Lesniak	D	85%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	82%

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21	Thomas	Kean	R	68%	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	73%
22	Nicholas	Scutari	D	78%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	82%
23	Michael	Doherty	R	57%	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	64%
24	Steven	Oroho	R	46%	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	55%
25	Anthony	Bucco	R	59%	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	✓	✓	NV	55%
26	Joseph	Pennacchio	R	52%	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	55%
27	Richard	Codley	D	85%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	82%
28	Ronald	Rice	D	63%	✓	✓	✗	✓	NV	NV	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	64%
29	Teresa	Ruiz	D	85%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	82%
30	Robert	Singer	R	63%	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	64%
31	Sandra	Cunningham	D	85%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	✓	✓	✓	82%
32	Nicholas	Sacco	D	63%	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	NV	✓	✓	64%
33	Brian	Stack	D	85%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	82%
34	Nia	Gill	D	85%	✓	✓	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	82%
35	Nellie	Pou	D	82%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	82%
36	Paul	Sarlo	D	52%	NV	NV	✗	✓	✓	✓	NV	✗	✓	✓	✓	55%
37	Loretta	Weinberg	D	85%	✓	✓	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	82%
38	Robert	Gordon	D	90%	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	80%
39	Gerald	Cardinale	R	34%	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	NV	55%
40	Kevin	O'Toole	R	68%	NV	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	73%

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NJLCV's New Jersey Assembly Environmental Scorecard

Distict	First Name	Last Name	Party	Lifetime	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	2013 Score
1	Nelson	Albano	D	66%	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Abs	✓	✗	69%
	Matthew	Milam	D	70%	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	Ex	Ex	Ex	Ex	78%
2	John	Amodeo	R	56%	✓	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	62%
	Christopher A.	Brown	R	46%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	46%
3	John	Burzichelli	D	76%	NV	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	77%
	Celeste	Riley	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
4	Paul	Moriarty	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
	Gabriela	Mosquera	D	85%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
5	Angel	Fuentes	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
	Gilbert	Wilson	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
6	Louis	Greenwald	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
	Pamela	Lampitt	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
7	Herb	Conaway	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
	Troy	Singleton	D	69%	NV	NV	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	69%
8	Christopher J.	Brown	R	38%	✗	✗	Abs	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	38%
	Scott	Rudder	R	38%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	Abs	✗	✗	38%
9	Dianne	Gove	R	55%	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	46%
	Brian	Rumpf	R	55%	✗	✗	✓	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	NV	✗	✗	✓	46%
10	Gregory	McGuckin	R	46%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	46%
	David	Wolfe	R	51%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	✓	✓	✗	✗	38%

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11	Mary Pat	Angelini	R	48%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	46%
	Caroline	Casagrande	R	58%	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	54%
12	Robert	Clifton	R	46%	✗	✗	✓	✗	NV	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	46%
	Ronald	Dancer	R	58%	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	54%
13	Amy	Handlin	R	58%	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	54%
	Declan	O'Scanlon Jr.	R	52%	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	NV	✗	54%
14	Daniel	Benson	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	Abs	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	85%
	Wayne	DeAngelo	D	76%	✓	✓	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	77%
15	Reed	Gusciora	D	82%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	77%
	Bonnie	Watson-Coleman	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	Abs	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	85%
16	Jack	Ciattarelli	R	38%	✗	NV	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	38%
	Donna	Simon	R	38%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	38%
17	Upendra	Chivukula	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	85%
	Joseph	Egan	D	82%	✓	✓	✓	✗	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	77%
18	Peter	Barnes III	D	79%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	NV	NV	✗	✗	69%
	Patrick	Diegnan	D	79%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	NV	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	69%
19	Craig	Coughlin	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	85%
	John	Wisniewski	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	85%

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92%	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	90%	D	Cryan	Joseph	20
77%	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	✓	Abs	✓	✓	✓	57%	D	Quijano	Annette	
46%	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	55%	R	Bramnick	Jon	21
46%	✗	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	55%	R	Munoz	Nancy	
85%	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	86%	D	Green	Jerry	22
69%	✗	NV	NV	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	79%	D	Stender	Linda	
54%	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	39%	R	DiMaio	John	23
46%	✓	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	42%	R	Peterson	Erik	
44%	Ex	Ex	Ex	Ex	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	41%	R	Chiusano	Gary	24
38%	✗	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	38%	R	Littell McHose	Alison	
38%	NV	✗	✓	✓	✗	Abs	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	44%	R	Bucco	Anthony M.	25
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54%	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✗	✗	✗	46%	R	Webber	Jay	
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85%	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	86%	D	Caputo	Ralph	28
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85%	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	86%	D	Coutinho	Albert	29
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NJLCV's New Jersey Assembly Environmental Scorecard

Distict	First Name	Last Name	Party	Lifetime	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	2013 Score
30	Sean	Kean	R	46%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	NV	46%
	David	Rible	R	33%	✗	✗	✗	✗	✓	NV	NV	NV	✗	✓	Abs	✗	✗	15%
31	Charles	Mainor	D	80%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
	Jason	O'Donnell	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
32	Angelica	Jimenez	D	85%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
	Vincent	Prieto	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
33	Sean	Connors	D	85%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
	Ruben	Ramos Jr.	D	85%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
34	Thomas	Giblin	D	68%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	NV	NV	✗	62%
	Sheila	Oliver	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
35	Shavonda	Sumter	D	77%	✓	✓	✓	✗	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	77%
	Benjie	Wimberly	D	77%	✓	✓	✓	✗	NV	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	77%
36	Marlene	Caride	D	85%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
	Gary	Schaer	D	61%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
37	Gordon	Johnson	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
	Valerie	Vainieri Huttle	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	Abs	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
38	Timothy	Eustace	D	69%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	NV	NV	✓	NV	✓	✓	✗	69%
	Connie	Wagner	D	86%	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	85%
39	Holly	Schepisi	R	54%	✗	✗	✓	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	54%
	Robert	Schroeder	R	51%	✗	✗	Abs	✗	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	Abs	✗	✗	38%
40	Scott	Rumana	R	38%	✗	✗	Abs	Abs	✓	✓	✓	✓	✗	✓	✓	✗	✗	38%
	David	Russo	R	31%	✗	✗	NV	✗	✓	✓	NV	NV	✗	✓	✗	✗	✗	23%

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10. Municipal Land Use Law, Clustering (A-3761/S-2608)

NJLCV Position: **Support**

Status: Passed by both chambers, signed by Governor.

Provides New Jersey municipalities with improved tools to steer development where it makes the most sense while preserving open space, farmland, historic sites and areas vulnerable to flooding and storm surge at a lower cost to taxpayers. Building homes in a denser cluster allows surrounding land to remain natural. The clustering development tool reduces the sprawl caused by traditional lot building.

11. Updating Flood Hazard Rules (A-3262/S-2208)

NJLCV Position: **Support**

Status: Passed by the Assembly, received in the Senate.

Directs the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection to update its delineations of flood hazard areas as frequently as may be necessary to incorporate floodway delineations as well as give priority to more recent FEMA delineations when appropriate.

12. Creating an office of Clean Energy (A-2888/S-2733)

NJLCV Position: **Support**

Status: Passed by the Assembly, received in the Senate.

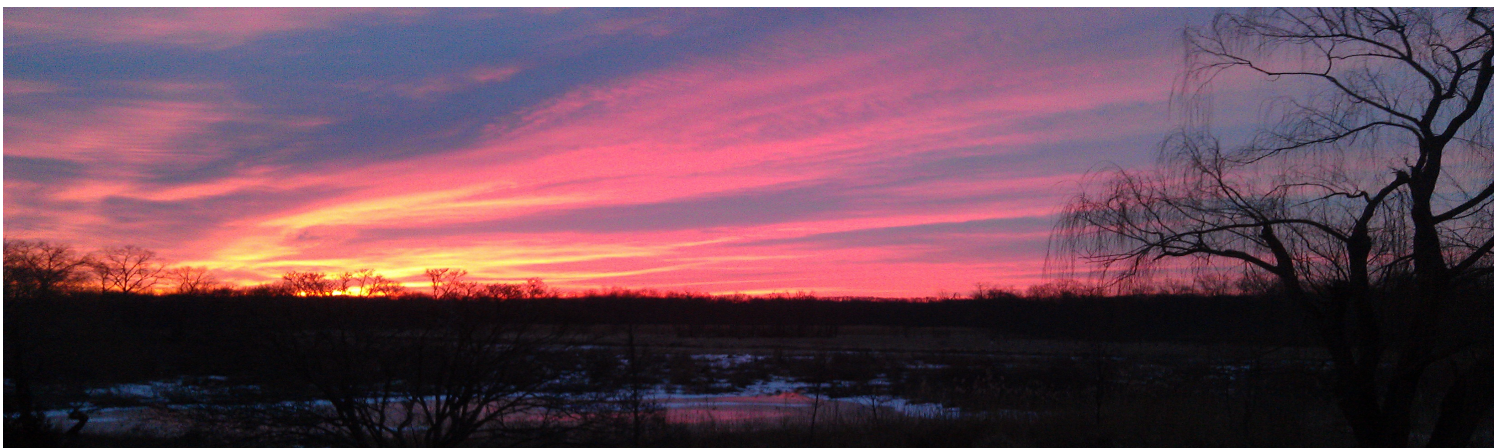
Establishes the Office of Clean Energy to coordinate the State's programs to improve energy distribution and the use of non-polluting energy sources. The office would focus on improving the efficiency of energy distribution and usage in New Jersey, reducing the State's reliance on fossil fuels and other fuels that create pollution, and maximizing the proportion of the energy we use that is derived from renewable sources in this State.

13. The New Jersey Economic Opportunity Act of 2013 (A-3680)

NJLCV Position: **Oppose**

Status: Passed both chambers, conditionally vetoed by Governor.

Provides incentives for economic development projects. The bill subsidizes inappropriate development in the Highlands, Pinelands and other environmentally sensitive areas in New Jersey, instead of focusing resources to redevelop communities in need. The bill will increase sprawl and overdevelopment.



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14. Notification of Sewer Overflow (A-2852/S-831)

NJLCV Position: Support

Status: Passed by the Senate, received in the Assembly.

Establishes the requirement for Combined Sewer Systems sites experiencing overflow to alert the public of this fact. These facilities would be equipped with the means to notify local communities helping to protect public health from the negative impacts of a Combined Sewer Overflow.

15. Sustainable Open Space Preservation (SCR-138)

NJLCV Position: Support

Status: Passed Senate, received in the Assembly.

Amends the state Constitution to dedicate, for 30 years, 1/5 of a cent for each dollar subject to sales tax for preservation of open space, including flood prone areas and lands that protect water supplies, farmland, and historic properties. The legislation would also provide sustainable funding for vital open space, parks, farmland and historic preservation efforts. The dedication of existing sales tax revenues would provide a long term and sustainable funding source for continued open space, farmland and historic preservation and stewardship.

16. Sustainable Open Space Preservation (SCR-160)

NJLCV Position: Support

Status: Passed in the Senate by simple majority. Received in the Assembly.

Amends the State Constitution to dedicate \$200 million annually by dedicating a small portion of future sales tax revenues. These funds will provide thirty years of funding to preserve open space, including flood prone areas and lands that protect water supplies, farmland, and historic properties.

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- Working to elect the most environmentally responsible candidates to office;
- Increasing the political efficacy of the entire environmental community through greater collaboration and a sharper strategic focus;
- Advocating sound policy-making that safeguards the health of New Jersey residents and protects the beauty of our state; and
- Elevating the importance of environmental issues in public discourse.

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