

LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD 2019

The Florida Legislative Scorecard is designed to give a snapshot of legislators' votes on environmental bills of significant importance to Sierra Club Florida. Also included is a "thumbs up and thumbs down" report on legislators who either championed or actively worked against the environment.



Supported Sierra Club Florida's position



Opposed Sierra Club Florida's position

Bill Descriptions:

- House Bill 5: a vote adds barriers to the process of collecting petitions for a citizens' initiative to amend the Florida Constitution.
- House Bill 771: a vote puts a moratorium on local ordinances regulating plastic straws.
- House Bill 829: a vote (1) deters court challenges by awarding costs and fees to the prevailing party in disputes over preemption of a local ordinance even if the arguments were made with a reasonable expectation of success, and (2) preempts local regulation of bio-solids upon DEP creating statewide regulations.
- House Bill 1159: a vote replaces a local government's requirement of a permit to prune/trim/remove a tree that poses threat to person or property with a statement of a certified arborist. Disallows local regulation that requires replacement of removed tree.
- House Bill 7103: a vote awards costs and fees to the prevailing party in citizen challenges to the approval of a development order believed inconsistent with local comprehensive plans. Threatens Florida with a proliferation of sprawl by effectively eliminating the only means of enforcing local comprehensive plans, and is unnecessary in light of statutory sanctions for improper or baseless legal actions.
- Senate Bill 7066: a vote creates barriers to voting rights restoration (Amendment 4).
- Senate Bill 7068: a vote approves planning for the construction of 3 toll roads through rural heartland of Florida.

FL SENATE	H.B. 5	H.B. 771	H.B. 829	H.B. 1159	H.B. 7103	S.B. 7066	S.B. 7068
	Citizens' Initiative	Plastic Straws	Attorneys' Fees & Biosolids	Tree Cutting	Growth Mgt	Voting Restoration	Toll Roads
FL Sen. Ben Albritton (R-FL-026)		*	•	**	•	a .	•
FL Sen. Dennis Baxley (R-FL-012)	**	•	*		**	•	•
FL Sen. Aaron Bean (R-FL-004)	Details)	•	•	16	**	•	•
FL Sen. Lizbeth Benacquisto (R-FL-027)	**	•	•		No Vote	•	•
FL Sen. Lori Berman (D-FL-031)	:4	84	86	86	16	84	•
FL Sen. Lauren Book (D-FL-032)	16	•	No Vote		**	86	•
FL Sen. Randolph Bracy (D-FL-011)		•	84	.4	•	84	•
FL Sen. Rob Bradley (R-FL-005)	•	•	•	•		•	•
FL Sen. Jeff Brandes (R-FL-024)	•	*				2.	P.
FL Sen. Oscar Braynon (D-FL-035)		16	•	:6	14	a é	24
FL Sen. Doug Broxson (R-FL-001)	•	*	•			a.	•
FL Sen. Janet Cruz (D-FL-018)	.4	84	•	16	14	8.0	# P
FL Sen. Manny Diaz (R-FL-036)		•	•	**	**	•	•

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FL Sen. Gary Farmer (D-FL-034)	10	10	10	16	10	8.00	*
FL Sen. Anitere Flores (R-FL-039)	No Vote	•	•	:6	86	No Vote	•
FL Sen. George Gainer (R-FL-002)		86	80	**	10	**	•
FL Sen. Bill Galvano (R-FL-021)		**	**	**	**	**	•
FL Leader Audrey Gibson (D-FL-006)	:6	86	84	:6	14	86	•
FL Sen. Joe Gruters (R-FL-023)		No Vote	•	**	14	•	•
FL Sen. Gayle Harrell (R-FL-025)		*	•		10	•	•
FL Sen. Ed Hooper (R-FL-016)		•	•	•	14	•	•
FL Sen. Travis Hutson (R-FL-007)		•	•	14	10	•	•
FL Sen. Tom Lee (R-FL-020)		•	•	•	14	# P	•
FL Sen. Debbie Mayfield (R-FL-017)	•	•	•		10	•	•
FL Leader Bill Montford (D-FL-003)	10	84	84	•	14	84	•
FL Leader Kathleen Passidomo (R-FL-028)		**	•		14	**	•

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FL Sen. Keith Perry (R-FL-008)		•	u ę	No Vote	u p	**	•
FL Sen. Jason Pizzo (D-FL-038)	:6	:4	8.	16	84	16	No Vote
FL Sen. Bobby Powell (D-FL-030)	:4	**	8.0	No Vote	n.	86	**
FL Sen. Kevin Rader (D-FL-029)	:6	:4	84	:6	8.00	10	•
FL Sen. Jose Rodriguez (D-FL-037)	:4	16	8.0		100	16	:6
FL Sen. Darryl Rouson (D-FL-019)	:6	:4	16	:6	16	16	•
FL Sen. David Simmons (R-FL-009)	**	**	**	**	100	**	•
FL Sen. Wilton Simpson (R-FL-010)	**	•	**	**	100		•
FL Sen. Kelli Stargel (R-FL-022)	**	**	**	**	100	**	•
FL Sen. Linda Stewart (D-FL-013)	:6	:4	**	10	8.6	:6	•
FL Sen. Annette Taddeo (D-FL-040)	:4	:6	8	16	84	16	•
FL Sen. Perry Thurston (D-FL-033)	:6	:4	8.6	10	10	:6	No Vote
FL Sen. Victor "Vic" Torres (D-FL-015)	:4	:6	8	84	8.0	:6	•
FL Sen. Thomas "Tom" Wright (R-FL-014)	**		•	**	10	•	•

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FL Rep. Ramon Alexander (D-FL-008)	8.00	n de	:6	10	8.0	86	100
FL Rep. Vance Aloupis (R-FL-115)	•	•	**	•	•	**	**
FL Rep. Thad Altman (R-FL-052)	*	•	10	•	•		**
FL Rep. Robert "Alex" Andrade (R-FL-002)	*	No Vote	**	No Vote	•	**	**
FL Rep. Bruce Antone (D-FL-046)	86	•	:6	:6	86	84	**
FL Rep. Loranne Ausley (D-FL-009)	86	•	16	:6	84	86	8.0
FL Rep. Bryan Avila (R-FL-111)	**	•	**	•	•	•	**
FL Rep. Melony Bell (R-FL-056)	•	•	**	•	•	•	**
FL Rep. Mike Beltran (R-FL-057)	•	•	**	•	•	**	**
FL Rep. Robert "Chuck" Brannan (R-FL-010)	•	•	**	•	•	•	•
FL Rep. Kamia Brown (D-FL-045)	86	16	s é	86	86	86	84
FL Rep. James Buchanan (R-FL-074)	•	•	10	•	•	•	**
FL Rep. Colleen Burton (R-FL-040)	•	•	1	•	•	•	•

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FL Rep. James Bush (D-FL-109)	16	**	14	•	86	800	8.0
FL Rep. Cord Byrd (R-FL-011)	•	•	**	•	**	•	•
FL Rep. Michael "Mike" Caruso (R-FL-089)	•	•	•	•	**	•	•
FL Rep. Joseph "Joe" Casello (D-FL-090)	86	86	:6	86	86	80	8.0
FL Rep. Charles "Chuck" Clemons (R-FL-021)	•	•	**	•	**	**	**
FL Rep. John Cortes (D-FL-043)	86	86	:6	84	86	86	8.6
FL Rep. W. Travis "Travis" Cummings (R-FL-018)	•	•	**	•	**	**	**
FL Rep. Kimberly Daniels (D-FL-014)	86	•	**	•	86	No Vote	•
FL Rep. Tracie Davis (D-FL-013)	86	No Vote	:6	8	86	84	8.0
FL Rep. Ben Diamond (D-FL-068)	86	86	**	84		80	84
FL Rep. Nick DiCeglie (R-FL-066)	•	•	14	•	•	•	•
FL Rep. Byron Donalds (R-FL-080)	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
FL Rep. Brad Drake (R-FL-005)	•	No Vote	•	•	•	•	•

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FL Rep. Fentrice Driskell (D-FL-063)	86	16	:4	100	8.0	8.00	16
FL Rep. Bobby DuBose (D-FL-094)	16	.4	86	:6	86	84	86
FL Rep. Wyman Duggan (R-FL-015)	**	•	•	**	•	**	**
FL Rep. Nicholas "Nick" Duran (D-FL-112)	86	•	**	:4	86	8.0	8.6
FL Leader Dane Eagle (R-FL-077)	**	•	•	**	•	**	**
FL Rep. Anna Eskamani (D-FL-047)	**	.6	s é	:6		86	86
FL Rep. Javier "Javi" Fernandez (D-FL-114)	86	•	•	84	86	84	84
FL Rep. Juan Fernandez-Barquin (R-FL-119)	•	**	**	**	•	•	**
FL Rep. Elizabeth Fetterhoff (R-FL-026)	**	•	•	**	•	**	**
FL Rep. Randy Fine (R-FL-053)	•	•	**	•	•	•	**
FL Rep. Jason Fischer (R-FL-016)	•	•	•	14	•	•	•
FL Rep. Heather Fitzenhagen (R-FL-078)	•	•	•	**	•	•	•
FL Rep. Joseph "Joe" Geller (D-FL-100)	86	•	86	86	86	8.0	•

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FL Rep. Joy Goff-Marcil (D-FL-030)	14	a de	14	84	8.0	16	:4
FL Rep. Margaret Good (D-FL-072)	:6	84	86	86	86	84	86
FL Rep. Michael "Mike" Gottlieb (D-FL-098)	16	84	100	•	86	86	:4
FL Rep. Erin Grall (R-FL-054)	**	•	**	•	•	**	10
FL Rep. James "J.W." Grant (R-FL-064)	•	•		•	•	**	•
FL Rep. Michael "Mike" Grant (R-FL-075)	**	**	**	•	u p	•	•
FL Rep. Tommy Gregory (R-FL-073)	No Vote	•	**	•	No Vote	No Vote	
FL Rep. Michael "Mike" Grieco (D-FL-113)	:6	•	**	•	No Vote	84	86
FL Rep. Brett Hage (R-FL-033)	No Vote	•	**	•	No Vote	No Vote	10
FL Rep. Dianne "Ms. Dee" Hart (D-FL-061)	86		:4	84	86	84	86
FL Rep. Adam Hattersley (D-FL-059)	86	84	:4	:6	86	84	16
FL Rep. Walter "Mike" Hill (R-FL-001)	•	•	**	•	•	•	**
FL Rep. Delores "D" Hogan Johnson (D-FL-084)	86	•	84	86	8.0	16	84

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FL Rep. Blaise Ingoglia (R-FL-035)	*	**	•		10		**
FL Rep. Kristin Jacobs (D-FL-096)	No Vote	No Vote	No Vote	No Vote	No Vote	No Vote	8.
FL Rep. Al Jacquet (D-FL-088)	16	.6	No Vote		8.6		No Vote
FL Rep. Evan Jenne (D-FL-099)	8.6	No Vote	84		86	84	86
FL Rep. Shevrin "Shev" Jones (D-FL-101)	16	•	No Vote	No Vote	86	86	No Vote
FL Rep. Dotie Joseph (D-FL-108)	86	.4	84		86	84	16
FL Rep. Sam Killebrew (R-FL-041)	•	.4	•	•	84	•	•
FL Rep. Chip LaMarca (R-FL-093)	•	•	**	•	•	•	•
FL Rep. Mike La Rosa (R-FL-042)	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
FL Rep. Chris Latvala (R-FL-067)	•	•	**	•	**	•	•
FL Rep. Thomas "Tom" Leek (R-FL-025)	•	•	•	•	e -	•	•
FL Rep. MaryLynn "M.L." Magar (R-FL-082)	No Vote	•	•	•	No Vote	No Vote	•
FL Rep. Amber Mariano (R-FL-036)	•	•	•	•	**	•	•

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FL Rep. Ralph Massullo (R-FL-034)	•	**		**		u p	4
FL Rep. Stan "Stanley" McClain (R-FL-023)	•	**	**	•	•	•	•
FL Rep. Lawrence McClure (R-FL-058)	•	**	•	•	•	•	•
FL Leader Kionne McGhee (D-FL-117)		•	86	•	86	8.	8.
FL Rep. Amy Mercado (D-FL-048)	84	8.	8.	86	86	5.	5.
FL Rep. Wengay "Newt" Newton (D-FL-070)	.4	**		•	a de	8.	•
FL Speaker Jose Oliva (R-FL-110)	•	4	•	•	•	•	•
FL Rep. Anika Omphroy (D-FL-095)	16	No Vote	No Vote	8.	a de	8.	No Vote
FL Rep. Tobin "Toby" Overdorf (R-FL-083)	•	•	•	•	•	•	**
FL Rep. Bobby Payne (R-FL-019)	•	**	•	•	•	•	•
FL Rep. Daniel Perez (R-FL-116)	•	•	•	•	•	•	u p
FL Rep. Cary Pigman (R-FL-055)	•	**	14	•	•	•	**
FL Rep. Scott Plakon (R-FL-029)	**	**	14	•	**	•	•

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FL Rep. Rene "Coach P" Plasencia (R-FL-050)		**	10	**	8	•	100
FL Rep. Cindy Polo (D-FL-103)	:6	16	:4	.4	84	80	8.0
FL Rep. Tina Polsky (D-FL-081)	16	•	**	•	86	:6	86
FL Rep. Mel Ponder (R-FL-004)	**	•	No Vote	•	**		100
FL Rep. Sharon Pritchett (D-FL-102)	16	•	86	16	86	10	No Vote
FL Rep. Holly Raschein (R-FL-120)	**	•	**	•	•		**
FL Rep. Paul Renner (R-FL-024)	10	•	**	•	**	**	**
FL Rep. Spencer Roach (R-FL-079)	**	•	**	•	•		**
FL Rep. William "Will" Robinson (R-FL-071)	10	•	**	•	**	**	**
FL Rep. Ray Rodrigues (R-FL-076)	**	•	No Vote	•	•		**
FL Rep. Ana Rodriguez (R-FL-105)	**	•	10	•	•	•	*
FL Rep. Anthony Rodriguez (R-FL-118)		**	•		=	**	**
FL Rep. Bob Rommel (R-FL-106)	10	•	**	•	•	**	*

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FL Rep. Rick Roth (R-FL-085)	No Vote	10	No Vote	•	No Vote	No Vote	No Vote
FL Rep. Anthony Sabatini (R-FL-032)	**	**	**	•	*	•	•
FL Rep. David Santiago (R-FL-027)	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
FL Rep. David Silvers (D-FL-087)	84	:6	14	84	86	16	86
FL Rep. Tyler Sirois (R-FL-051)	•	•	**	•	•	•	•
FL Rep. Emily Slosberg (D-FL-091)	No Vote		No Vote	86	No Vote	No Vote	86
FL Rep. Carlos Smith (D-FL-049)	:4	86	s é	No Vote	86	8.0	14
FL Rep. David Smith (R-FL-028)	84	•	•	•	=	•	•
FL Rep. Chris Sprowls (R-FL-065)	20	14	•	•	*	•	2.
FL Rep. Richard "Rick" Stark (D-FL-104)	8.0	•	:4	8	8	16	e .
FL Rep. Cyndi Stevenson (R-FL-017)	**	14		•	•	•	**
FL Rep. Charlie Stone (R-FL-022)	**			•	-		**
FL Rep. Jennifer "Jenny" Sullivan (R-FL-031)	**	10	No Vote	•	**	•	**

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FL Rep. Geraldine "Geri" Thompson (D-FL-044)	8.0	86	:4	10	8	10	86
FL Rep. Jackie Toledo (R-FL-060)	•	•	**	•	•		**
FL Rep. Josie Tomkow (R-FL-039)	•	•	14	•	**	•	**
FL Rep. Jay Trumbull (R-FL-006)	•	•	**	•	-	P.	-
FL Rep. Susan Valdes (D-FL-062)	:6	•	:6	•	86	10	86
FL Rep. Barbara Watson (D-FL-107)	8.0	•	86	s é	86	8.0	86
FL Rep. Clovis Watson (D-FL-020)	No Vote	**	80	8	No Vote	No Vote	8.0
FL Rep. Jennifer Webb (D-FL-069)	16	.6	**	16	No Vote	80	
FL Rep. Matt Willhite (D-FL-086)	86	No Vote	**	16	86	84	•
FL Rep. Patricia "Pat" Williams (D-FL-092)	86	16	84	16	86	80	84
FL Rep. Jayer Williamson (R-FL-003)	**	•	**	•	•	•	•
FL Rep. Clay Yarborough (R-FL-012)	•	•	•	•	•	•	•
FL Rep. Ardian Zika (R-FL-037)	•	•	**	•	•	•	•

AWARD WINNERS

Sen. Jose Rodriguez for his ongoing efforts to champion the needs of the environment and the threat of climate change. He was the only Senator to vote against the "Toll Roads to Nowhere" bill.

Rep. Evan Jenne for his leadership on environmental issues and as the House champion against the "Toll Roads to Nowhere" legislation.

Rep. Margaret Good for thoughtful questioning on environmental issues in committee and on the floor of the House. Often a lone voice in her committees, she never wavered from her commitment to preventing pollution rather than dealing with it after it happens.

Sen. Bill Montford for trying to pass a true "fracking ban" by including matrix acidization.



Sen. Bill Galvano for wrongly prioritizing toll roads as what Florida needs most- and taking money away from schools, the environment, health care, and prisons to do it.

Sen. Tom Lee for his sponsorship of the "Toll Roads to Nowhere" legislation.

Rep. James Grant and **Sen. David Simmons** for making it harder to restore voting rights and bring citizen-driven initiatives to the ballot.

Rep. Spencer Roach for his attempts to preempt local regulations, including those controlling plastic straws and sunscreen.

Rep. Wengay Newton and Rep. Kimberly Daniels who tied as the least environmentally friendly House Democrats.

Sen. Lauren Book who was the least environmentally friendly Senate Democrat.

All the Senate Democrats who voted for the "Toll Roads to Nowhere" bill because it was the Senate President's priority.

All the Senate (87%) and House (97%) Republicans whose Scorecard votes were all in opposition to Sierra Club Florida's position.