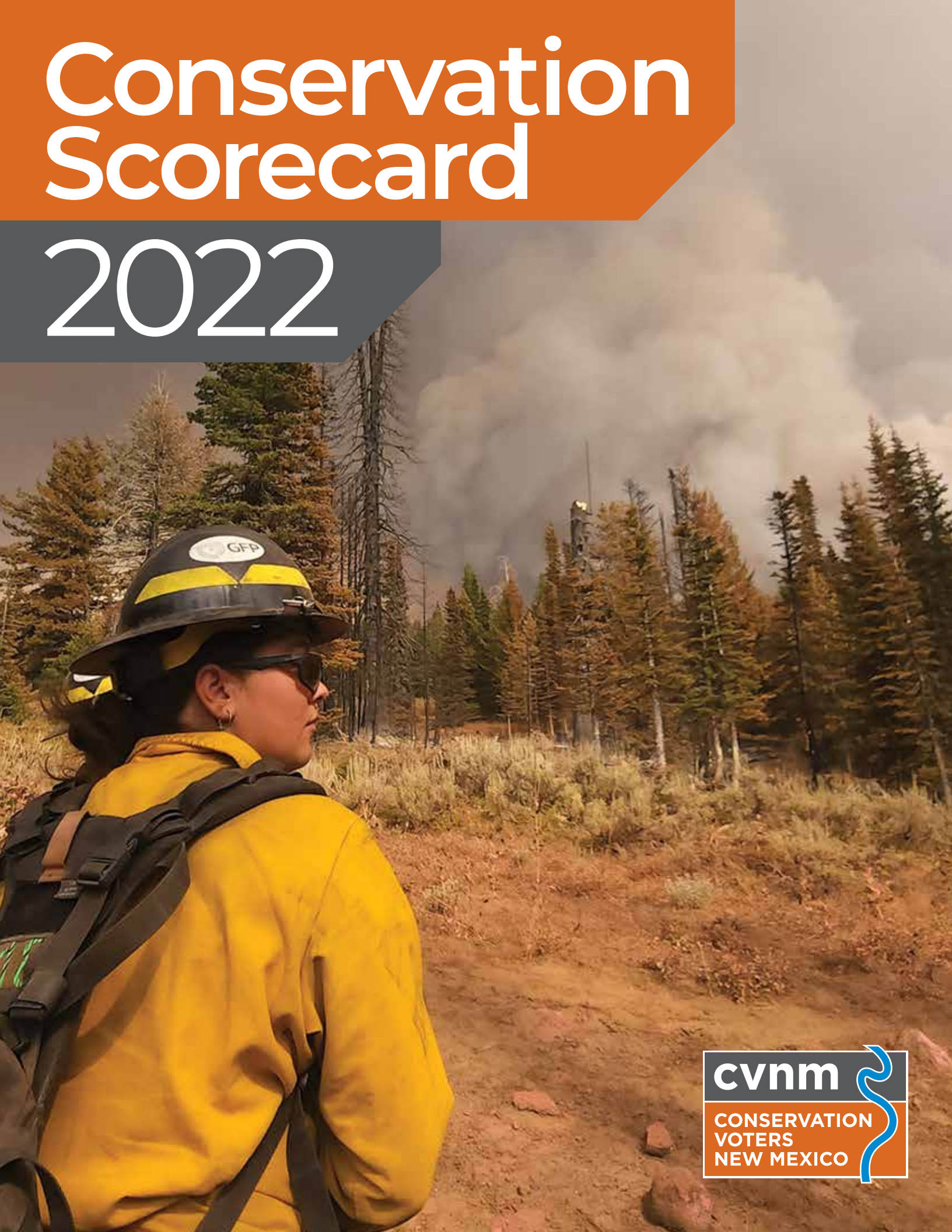


Conservation Scorecard

2022



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2022 Scorecard Director's Message



Our hearts continue to go out to all the people and communities devastated by the deep drought and fires raging across the state. This is and will continue to be catastrophic and devastating for families, communi-

ties, wildlife, and water resources for years to come. The 2022 30-day session was disappointing, not just at the time but even more so considering the early and massive wildfire season that started just two months later. **The urgency to move quickly and boldly to address the climate crisis was great then, and is even greater now.**

Admittedly, a short session is not the place to deliberate big, complicated bills. We were aware that HB 6 (Clean Future Act)—the bill crafted to create the framework for a zero-emission economy—required a tremendous effort from the administration, key legislators, environmental organizations, and communities across the state who will feel the impacts the most. However, not only did we witness a major climate bill fail, but also the last minute defeat of legislation to expand and protect voting rights and a persistent effort at the end of the session to pass legislation supporting development of problematic hydrogen energy.

With significant surpluses in both state and federal dollars, New Mexico had the opportunity to make a real investment in our climate future and the Governor proposed operating budgets for the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) and the Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department (EMNRD) that would have allowed both agencies to meaningfully invest in the planning, rulemaking, and enforcement measures necessary to begin tackling the state's climate emissions. The legislature approved only a fraction of proposed agency funding. **Still, money set aside**

for State Parks, outdoor recreation, and some public land acquisitions from allocation of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) funds in the December 2021 special session and the 2022 short session budget indicates continued commitment to the state's 30x30 plan.

We also had a positive outcome on two priority bills.

HB 37, Community Energy Efficiency Development (CEED) Block Grant, creates a new state grant program to support improving energy efficiency of low-income households and supports the goal of achieving 100% energy affordability for all New Mexico residents while helping to reduce greenhouse gas emissions by 2050. HB 164, Uranium Mine Cleanup, begins to address an inexcusable tragedy caused by former uranium mine and mill sites that continue to expose rural and Indigenous communities to toxic and radioactive pollution, which has spiked cancer rates and health issues in former mining communities. HB 164 calls for a strategic plan to address legacy uranium waste sites and establishes a revolving fund to resource the critical work that community advocates have urged action on for decades.

It's time to confront the heartbreaking truth: We are in a climate emergency. Our commitment to passing bold climate legislation has not wavered, but we will need your support and commitment to ensure that our elected leaders will take bold climate action to protect our communities, families, and economies and build a future in which our children and future generations can thrive.

Demis Foster
CVNM Executive Director

Scorecard Dedication

New Mexican communities and landscapes are facing an unprecedented and catastrophic fire season, which is exacerbated by climate-change and long-standing drought. Already, the 2022 wildfire season has yielded the two largest wildfires in the state's recorded history. We now have a shocking number of New Mexicans internally displaced by an environmental disaster. This new reality has also become a norm across the greater southwest, with record heat waves, wildfires, and drought impacting millions of people.

In recent years as the legislature has debated climate action, leaders have said that climate change is already placing a burden on New Mexico's air, land, water, and communities. Displaced families, empty water basins, and dangerously smokey skies are our reality today, and will now be our children's reality as well, thanks to decades

of inaction. Our fellow New Mexicans from the fire and drought ravaged areas need our support during this time. But we also need our leaders to act boldly in the months ahead and embrace the wisdom and knowledge from the most impacted communities in building the path forward to an equitable zero-emission economy. We cannot allow the pain and suffering of our neighbors to be met with anything less than quick, bold and decisive action to rebuild their lives and to confront the climate crisis.

CVNM dedicates our 2022 Conservation Scorecard to the families and communities deeply affected by the climate crisis, from drought to wildfires and more. We also dedicate it to the firefighters, emergency response teams, community leaders and members who are working tirelessly to protect their communities from the impacts of this climate crisis.

About the Scorecard

Conservation Voters New Mexico's 2022 Conservation Scorecard provides objective, nonpartisan information about the conservation voting records of all members during the 55th Legislature of the State of New Mexico.

Scorecards are a clear and comprehensive way for you to see how you are being represented on issues that matter to you.

Vote Selection

Each vote was selected solely on the basis of the conservation values embodied in the legislation. Responsibility for the final set of selected votes rests entirely with Conservation Voters New Mexico (CVNM).

Thousands of votes are taken during a legislative session in New Mexico. Many of these votes represent overwhelming agreement on non-controversial issues or amendments. To provide better insight into the various positions of our legislators, **CVNM tends to select measures that illustrate the key debates over conservation policy in the state.**

CVNM selected the most critical votes on each issue. In some cases, a vote on an amendment to a bill or a procedural

motion was more important than voting on the bill itself. In others, a procedural motion is the only public indication of a legislator's position on a measure. In all cases, the actual vote included in the *Scorecard* is detailed in the vote description. Some votes, such as those taken on a motion to "table" a bill, are not made public on the Legislature's website. These votes are recorded and shared here as a demonstration of where legislators stand on critical issues.

We encourage you to read the descriptions of each vote to determine how well your legislators represented you on the issues and bills that are most important to you.

CVNM Priority Votes

Let's face it: not all votes are equal. Some votes are more critical than others, either because of the issues at stake or the personal courage required of legislators who take the pro-conservation position. Here, we represent the most critical measures by classifying them as "priority" bills. The priority bills are in orange in the bill description and the data tables. The value of these votes is doubled in the *Scorecard*.

Know the Score, Take Action

It's never too late to say 'thanks!'—or 'no thanks'...

Tell your legislators that you know the score.

One of the best ways to influence the voting records of your elected officials is to **communicate regularly with them**. If your legislators scored well, it's important to thank them and to support them. If you feel you weren't well-represented by your legislator's votes, it's important to hold them accountable by letting them know what you think about their votes. The *Scorecard* is your key to staying informed on your legislators' votes and getting in touch with them.

If you don't know who your legislators are, visit www.scorecard.cvnm.org and click on the "Take Action" tab.

Communicate with the Governor and your Legislators

Whether you're congratulating your legislators on their score or expressing your disappointment, **be direct, courteous and polite**. The most important part of your communication is letting them know that you are paying close attention to how

they vote or, in the case of the Governor, what actions she takes on legislation that affects our air, land and water.

Calling your legislator directly and **sending letters** through regular mail remain by far the most effective ways to communicate with your legislators.

The Governor and Lieutenant Governor can always be contacted at the State Capitol. Except during the legislative session, state legislators should be contacted in their home districts, as listed on pages 22 and 23.

Join Conservation Voters New Mexico today!

We take on tough fights to protect New Mexico and these efforts in the State Capitol and around the state require financial resources. **We can only win with your support.** Please join other New Mexicans in becoming a Conservation Voter today! Membership is easy: just submit the enclosed envelope with your contribution or join online at www.CVNM.org and click "Donate."

CVNM's Cycle of Accountability

CVNM's work to report to you about how your legislators voted on key conservation policy during each legislative session is part of our strategic approach to building power for the environment and ensuring New Mexicans' air, land and water is protected. We call this approach the "Cycle of Accountability."



Issue Spotlight: We Need Climate Action Now

This spring, we witnessed catastrophic wildfires in northern New Mexico that destroyed hundreds of homes and businesses and displaced tens of thousands of residents as climate change induced drought continues to deepen.

This is just one reminder of many for us as New Mexicans that reinforces the urgency to pass the sweeping policy changes needed to meaningfully address the climate crisis. Climate change is already here, but reducing climate pollution today will provide tangible benefits within our lifetimes and give future generations the best chance to inherit a stable climate.

In addition to the ticking clock on climate, we are also running up against an increasingly limited political window. Governor Michelle Lujan Grisham has had the opportunity to sign some of the most ambitious climate policy that New Mexico has ever seen, positioning us as a national clean energy leader. 2022 represents the final year of her first term, and should she win a second, that leaves only 4 years to continue to make progress with her bold climate commitments.

In 2019, the passage of the Energy Transition Act (ETA) guaranteed that the electricity generation sector would not contribute to carbon emissions by 2045. But that's only one part of the puzzle. Emissions from heavy industries (such as cement manufacturing), transportation, and oil and gas production don't fall under the ETA, and therefore lack a

comprehensive statutory emission reduction target. **The next step for New Mexico is to pass legislation that views all sectors of the state's economy as a whole, and then applies a target for reductions for all of them together.**

In October 2021, at a climate summit organized by Speaker Brian Egolf, the Governor made an announcement — she would issue a legislative message for the 2022 short session to consider a bill to establish greenhouse gas emissions reductions targets for the entire state. It would codify the reductions target she directed in her 2019 Executive Order 003 of a 50% statewide reduction (compared to 2005 emissions) by 2030, and expand that to include a “net zero” 100% reduction by 2050. “Net zero” has been a historically fraught concept because it can allow polluters to “offset” their pollution by purchasing credits or other mechanisms, such as carbon sequestration, that allow them to not actually reduce their emissions.

The bill, titled HB 6: The Clean Future Act, proposed a 10% cap on the use of offsets, ensuring that at least 90% of the reductions targets would be satisfied with actual reductions. Importantly, the bill also would have given the Environment Department the authority to regulate greenhouse gas emissions from any source. There are many details about how to get to these benchmarks that were not in HB 6 at all, and will need to be determined in future legislation. Questions like: How quickly do we achieve these reductions across sectors? What sort of community protections and consultation will be involved? What support will we offer working people and communities impacted by this transition? These are questions we're working to answer now, and that will form the bulk of legislation in 2023.

Given the time constraints of this year's short 30 day session, and a significant lobby effort by the oil and gas industry (who spent over \$250,000 in advertising to defeat HB 6) the bill stalled out in the House of Representatives. This effort is far from over, however. The Governor made a commitment to setting New Mexico on course to achieve these reductions, and we intend to help her follow through. The process for developing comprehensive climate legislation for 2023 has already begun. There are months of stakeholder outreach, policy research and negotiation, and consensus building ahead of us. **We hope you'll stand with us to get this transformational policy through the legislature and on to the Governor's desk for signature.**



Legislator Spotlight: Speaker Brian Egolf

It's normal to have some turnover election to election, particularly in the New Mexico House of Representatives. Serving in the legislature is still an unpaid position that requires nearly a full time commitment year round. It leads to an unusually high attrition rate as legislators struggle to balance their legislative and constituent work, their day jobs, and their personal and family commitments. **However, party leadership turnover is far less common.**

On the final day of the 2022 legislative session, Speaker Brian Egolf announced his retirement from the New Mexico House of Representatives. **Viewed solely as a legislator, his 12 year legislative career is exceptional, achieving a 98% lifetime score in CVNM's Conservation Scorecard.**

His exceptional voting record doesn't even tell the whole story. **His command and understanding of complex energy and environmental issues consistently set him apart from his House colleagues.** He frequently played a key role in explaining and interpreting complex energy legislation for his caucus. Even before becoming Speaker, CVNM honored him in 2015 with our Luminaria Award "for his bold leadership in protecting New Mexico's land, air, water and healthy communities."

In 2017, Egolf was elected by his colleagues to be Speaker of the House. This was an important moment for environmental policy in the legislative process. **Egolf's understanding of complex regulatory policy, bridge building across party lines and ideology, and ability to unify his caucus all combined to create an environment where climate and conservation policy moved to the forefront.**

The Speaker of the House plays several important roles. First, they're responsible for assigning House members to committees, which is critical for creating a pathway for conservation legislation to move to the floor. Speakers also assign bills to committees on introduction, which affects their likelihood of passage based on both the votes in a particular committee and the timing of the legislative process. Finally, and maybe most critically, they manage the order and flow of bills being heard on the House floor. **As Speaker, Rep. Egolf not only prioritized environmental and climate legislation, he used virtually every tool at his disposal to ensure that those bills had the best chance of passage.**

Rep. Egolf utilized all of these tools to oversee one of the most productive and successful Speakerships in New Mexico history for environmental protection. Speaker Egolf played pivotal roles in the passage of the Community Solar Act, a



bill reinstating the Energy, Minerals, and Natural Resources Department's ability to assess administrative fines and fees, creation of New Mexico's Outdoor Recreation Division, and of course the Energy Transition Act – New Mexico's most significant action to date to address climate change.

Serving in the New Mexico legislature can exact a heavy toll. As an essentially full time, unpaid position (but for a small stipend), it's particularly difficult for parents of young children. This challenge is amplified for anyone in a leadership role. With these conditions as the background, the legislative achievements of Speaker Egolf's tenure shine even brighter. **We are grateful for Speaker Egolf's leadership during his tenure in the House, and look to the incoming legislative cycle to continue to move climate and conservation policy to the forefront of the legislative process.**



Quick Hits

Highlights from the 2022 Session

Clean Fuels

The Clean Fuels bill ran again this year (SB 14) in an improved form. The bill would have removed some of the emissions from the transportation sector by creating requirements for lower carbon intensity fuels blending. A similar bill ran out of time on the House floor last year, but this year it got a hearing at 2am on the last night of the session. After three hours of debate, the bill ultimately failed on a 33-33 tie vote that saw several legislators flip their “yes” votes to “no” at the very last moment.

Voting Bills

Nationwide, communities are witnessing legislation introduced that would make it more difficult for voters to access the polls. In response, the New Mexico legislature introduced SB 8: New Mexico Voting Rights Act to expand and protect voting access. The bill would have instituted several key reforms, including online voter registration expansion, protections for Native voters, creation of a voting holiday, and other measures. Upon reaching the Senate floor the bill was stalled indefinitely by a procedural maneuver from the minority (Republican) party requiring all senators to be physically present on the floor. In response to this, advocates transferred key elements of SB 8 to another Senate bill that had already crossed over to the House, SB 144. Originally written as a bill preventing the intimidation of poll workers, the bill passed the House floor with additional amendments aimed at protecting voting rights and access. Unfortunately, the amended bill required concurrence on the Senate floor on the final morning of the session. Senator Bill Sharer effectively filibustered the concurrence motion, refusing to relinquish the floor until the clock ran down and the session ended at noon.

Budget

Setting the budget has become a contentious affair in recent years. With development and passage of strong climate policy in the last several years, much of the state’s focus has shifted to implementation. For example, the Oil Conservation Commission and Environmental Improvement Board have both promulgated rules in the last two years to limit methane emissions, providing the state with the tools to tackle the largest source of greenhouse gas emissions: the oil and gas industry. The 2022 session saw the Governor propose a budget that would have moved the agencies forward in limiting those emissions, but the legislature’s budget proposal didn’t match the investment. Ultimately the budget that wound up passing was a compromise between the two that meant the law currently remains well ahead of the ability of the agencies to fully implement it.

Junior Bill

Both the executive and legislative budget proposals are generally put together in the Summer and finalized during the Fall, based on revenue estimates that are constantly changing due to fluctuations in the price of oil, gross receipts revenue, and other factors. When the revenue estimate gets

adjusted upward in the legislative session, rather than having the executive and legislative budget staff rewrite the budget proposals (which would likely be impossible given the time constraints on the legislative process) the surplus is divided equally among members of the legislature. In effect, we “crowd-source” the surplus to distribute it efficiently. Legislators can then designate the funds to various projects in state government. The document that results is called the “junior bill.” It usually appears midway through the session, and represents the collective ideas of the entire legislature about the best places to bolster the state budget, from extra money for agencies to funding for local district projects.

Energy Efficiency

One of the bright spots of the 2022 legislative session was the passage of HB 37, which created a program to make energy efficiency home upgrade grants to low income homeowners in New Mexico. This program will accomplish a couple of important things. Homes that are more energy efficient will require less fuel or energy to heat and cool, easing burdens on the electrical grid while also reducing emissions. These home improvements will also help low-income homeowners lower their energy bills while also building equity in their properties, helping to alleviate structural and intergenerational inequality.

Uranium Cleanup

HB 164 is the first step toward sustained uranium mine and milling cleanup after years of effort by uranium mining impacted communities in the Grants/Milan area, Laguna and Acoma Pueblos, and Navajo chapters. The legislation calls for the Energy, Minerals and Natural Resources Department to create a uranium mine cleanup coordinator. The New Mexico Environment Department is tasked with developing a cleanup strategic plan; establishing a process for effective consultation and coordination with federal agencies, Indigenous nations, tribes and Pueblos, and other states; and working with the Economic Development Department, Workforce Solutions and industry to establish uranium mine and mill reclamation as a target economic development activity in New Mexico.



2022 Scorecard Bill Descriptions

This is a subset of bills scored this session. Priority bills are **orange**. For complete data, visit www.scorecard.cvnm.org

HB 4—Hydrogen Hub Development Act (Lundstrom, Small, Martínez, H. Garcia) would have allowed public-private partnerships to establish hydrogen hubs through a project fund, a revenue bonding authority, and individual and corporate tax credits, and specify methane as a responsibly sourced gas in hydrogen production. **Died** in committee.

HB 6—Clean Future Act (Small, Egolf, Ortez; Stewart, Hemphill) would have established state greenhouse gas emissions limits of 50% of 2005 levels by 2030 and net-zero by 2050 with Energy Minerals and Natural Resources Department authority to coordinate with other agencies to meet reduction targets and rules promulgated by the Environmental Improvement Board by June 30, 2025. **Died** in the House.

HB 37—Community Energy Efficiency Development Block Grant (Ortez, Sariñana, Roybal Caballero, Lujan; Stewart) creates a new state grant program for low-income households to improve energy efficiency and new reporting requirements for public utilities related to energy efficiency efforts. **Signed** by Governor.

HB 127—Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste (McQueen, Lujan; Steinborn) would have amended the Radioactive and Hazardous Materials Act to expand the membership and duties of the radioactive waste consultation task force and add statutory language to prohibit storage and disposal of radioactive waste in the state. **Tabled** on House floor.

HB 164—Uranium Mine Cleanup (Sariñana, Allison, Johnson; Steinborn) outlines New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) duties for clean-up and reclamation of former uranium mine and mill sites and tasks other departments, offices, and agencies to collaborate. It creates the uranium mining reclamation revolving fund and appropriates \$350,000 general fund dollars to NMED for FY23 for purposes outlined. **Signed** by the Governor.

HB 228—Hydrogen Hub Development Act (Lundstrom) would have created public/private partnership authority for hydrogen projects and criteria for hydrogen hubs. **Tabled** on the House floor.

HJR 2—Environmental Rights, CA (Ferrary, Lujan, Chasey; Sedillo Lopez, Steinborn, Soules, Pope) would have amended the state constitution to add a declaration of environmental rights and repealed Section 21 of Article 20 of the Constitution, which delegates pollution control to the legislature. **Tabled** in committee.

SB 8—New Mexico Voting Rights Act (Wirth, Duhigg, Pope, Hamblen; Martínez) would have enacted a wide range of increased voting access and protection, including: a digital voter registration a process; a new Native American Voting Rights Act; sixteen-year-olds voting in local and municipal elections; expanded voter registration ability at DMV; public sharing of eligible unregistered voters by SOS upon request; expanded Election Day voter registration and Election Day as a holiday; voting rights to residents with past felony convictions; expanded absentee voting. **Died** on Senate floor.

SB 14—Enacting the Clean Fuels Standard Act (Stewart) would have established a state clean fuel standard aimed at reducing the carbon intensity of transportation fuels used in NM with specific reduction targets for greenhouse gas emissions (20% of 2018 levels by 2030, 40% by 2040). **Failed** on the House floor.

SB 21—Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit (Tallman) would have amended the Income Tax Act to create an Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit and an Electric Vehicle Charging Unit Income Tax Credit, and amended the Motor Vehicle Code to add additional registration fees for electric vehicles and direct those funds to a variety of government units and funds. **Died** on the Senate floor.

SB 54—Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste (McQueen, Lujan; Steinborn) would have amended the Radioactive and Hazardous Materials Act to expand the membership and duties of the radioactive waste consultation task force and add statutory language to prohibit storage and disposal of radioactive waste in the state. **Died** in committee.

SB 144—Intimidation of Election Workers (Duhigg, Ely) would have modernized and secured New Mexico's electoral process. **Died** on the Senate floor.

SB 194—Additional Energy Acts Definitions (Muñoz) would have amended the Rural Electric Cooperative and Renewable Energy Acts to include hydrogen projects and specify methane as a responsibly sourced gas in hydrogen production. **Tabled** in committee.

SB 203—Study High-Speed Train (Soules) would have appropriated \$500K dollars to the dept. of transportation to study the feasibility of highspeed passenger rail service in NM. **Died** in committee.

SJR 8—Salaries for Public Officials, CA (Ivey-Soto, Gonzales, Duhigg, McKenna) would have proposed a Constitutional amendment to develop salaries for all state elected officials. **Died** in committee.



Reading the Votes

If a legislator voted in support of the pro-conservation position, his or her vote is recorded on the chart as a ✓; votes against the conservation position are indicated with an X.

If a legislator was excused from voting, this is noted by an E, and the vote does not count positively or negatively towards their final score. If a legislator was not excused from voting but missed the vote, they are recorded as 'absent', shown as A. An absence counts against a legislator in the calculation of their score because they can be excused. Wherever possible, the votes included in the Scorecard were taken on the floor of the House or Senate, where every legislator's position can be represented. However, some of the most important actions are taken in legislative committees on measures that never reach the floor. In these cases, CVNM has presented the relevant committee votes. If no vote is displayed, that means the legislator did not cast a vote on the bill. This occurs because a legislator may not sit on the committee that debated and voted on a bill.

If the sponsor of a measure does not serve on a committee for which a vote is being scored, their sponsorship is considered representative of their position, and is recorded with a ✓ or X, as appropriate.

Regional Data

To better help Conservation Voters identify how their legislators' votes impact their community, we have grouped legislators into six regions in New Mexico.

For each region, we have highlighted how the legislators that represent that region voted on CVNM's priority legislation and bills that specifically or disproportionately impact that region. In addition, we have highlighted certain legislators whose strong performance stands out and the legislator with the lowest score for each region. In order to display regional data in this Scorecard, we chose to highlight a subset of data on bills and votes in the print version of the Scorecard. For complete data, visit www.scorecard.cvnm.org.

How to Read the Scorecard

Legislator's Party Affiliation:
D: Democrat
R: Republican
DTS: Decline to State

2022 Score

Orange Indicates Priority Bill

Pro-Conservation Vote

Legislator Did Not Cast a Vote on This Measure

Excused Absence (Not Calculated in Score)

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB 6	HB 3	HB 16	SB 8	SB 14	SB 21	SB 14	SJR 8
Joe Smith (R, 23)	79%	86%	E		✓	✓			E	X
Mark Martinez (D, 34)	32%	20%	X		X		A		✓	

Legislator's District Number

Lifetime Score

Bill Topic (See Below)

Anti-Conservation Vote

Unexcused Absence (Calculated as Anti-Conservation)

Guide to Scorecard Icons:

Air Quality

Effective Government

Energy and Climate Change

Environmental Justice

Northeast



At the interface of New Mexico's public lands and agricultural economy, Northeastern New Mexicans are at the frontlines of the state's wildlife policy decisions.

Senate

Serving Districts 7, 8

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB 6	HB 37	HB 164	SB 8	SB 14	SB 144
Pete Campos (D, 8)	100%	79%		✓	E	✓	✓	
Pat Woods (R, 7)	20%	18%		✗	E	✗	✗	



House

Serving Districts 63, 64, 67

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB 6	HB 37	HB 164	SB 8	SB 14	SB 144
Jack Chatfield (R, 67)	33%	10%		✗	✓		✗	✗
Randal S. Crowder (R, 64)	33%	19%		✗	✓		✗	✗
Martin R. Zamora (R, 63)	25%	7%	✗	✗	✓		✗	✗



Northwest

Senate

Serving districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 22, 30



BEST

Benny Shendo, Jr.

Party: **Democrat**

District: **22**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **79%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✓
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		
HB 164: Uranium Mine Cleanup		✓
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		
SB 14: Enacting the Clean Fuel Standard Act		✓



WORST

William Sharer

Party: **Republican**

District: **1**

Current Score: **0%**

Lifetime Score: **17%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✗
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		
HB 164: Uranium Mine Cleanup		E
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		✗
SB 14: Enacting the Clean Fuel Standard Act		✗

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB 6	HB 37	HB 127	HB 164	SB 8	SB 14
George K. Munoz (D, 4)	50%	50%		✓		E	✗	✗
Steven P. Neville (R, 2)	29%	35%		✗		✓		✗
Shannon Pinto (D, 3)	100%	100%		✓		E		✓
Joshua A. Sanchez (R, 30)	43%	16%		✗		✓		✗
William E. Sharer (R, 1)	0%	17%		✗		E	✗	✗
Benny Shendo, Jr. (D, 22)	100%	79%		✓		✓		✓

Northwest New Mexico is home to two of the largest coal power plants in the Southwest U.S., one of the largest natural gas patches, and widespread abandoned uranium mine waste, making this an area where energy policy in particular tends to loom large.



House

Serving districts 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 9, 65, 69



BEST

Derrick J. Lente

Party: **Democrat**

District: **65**

Current Score: **83%**

Lifetime Score: **88%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✓
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		
HB 164: Uranium Mine Cleanup		✓
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		
SB 14: Enacting the Clean Fuel Standard Act		✗



WORST

James R.J. Strickler

Party: **Republican**

District: **2**

Current Score: **7%**

Lifetime Score: **13%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		✗
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✗
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		✗
HB 164: Uranium Mine Cleanup		✓
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		
SB 14: Enacting the Clean Fuel Standard Act		A

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB 6	HB 37	HB 127	HB 164	SB 8	SB 14
Eliseo Lee Alcon (D, 6)	78%	85%		✓	✓	✓		✗
Anthony Allison (D, 4)	83%	79%		✓		✓		✗
Harry Garcia (D, 69)	67%	81%		✓		✓		✗
D. Wonda Johnson (D, 5)	78%	94%	✓	✓		✓		✗
T. Ryan Lane (R, 3)	33%	11%		✗		✓		✗
Derrick J. Lente (D, 65)	83%	88%		✓		✓		✗
Patricia A. Lundstrom (D, 9)	0%	62%		E		A		✗
Rod Montoya (R, 1)	27%	9%	✗	✗	✗	✓		✗
James R.J. Strickler (R, 2)	7%	13%	✗	✗	✗	✓		A



North Central

Senate

Serving Districts 5, 6, 24, 25, 39



BEST

Elizabeth "Liz" Stefanics

Party: **Democrat**

District: **39**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **97%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✓
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		
HB 164: Uranium Mine Cleanup		✓
HJR 2: Environmental Rights, CA		
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		
SB 21: Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit		



BEST

Leo Jaramillo

Party: **Democrat**

District: **5**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **96%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✓
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		
HB 164: Uranium Mine Cleanup		✓
HJR 2: Environmental Rights, CA		
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		✓
SB 21: Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit		✓

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB 6	HB 37	HB 127	HB 164	HJR 2	SB 8	SB 21
Roberto "Bobby" J. Gonzales (D, 6)	71%	79%		✓		A		✓	✓
Leo Jaramillo (D, 5)	100%	96%		✓		✓		✓	✓
Nancy Rodriguez (D, 24)	100%	90%		✓		E		✓	✓
Elizabeth "Liz" Stefanics (D, 39)	100%	97%		✓		✓			
Peter Wirth (D, 25)	78%	99%		✓		A		✓	✓

Santa Fe has a high concentration of pro-conservation, climate-focused residents, with emerging conservation and climate champions from rural areas, like Taos, that make up most of the district.



House

Serving Districts 40, 41, 42, 43, 45, 46, 47, 48, 50, 70



BEST

Susan K. Herrera

Party: **Democrat**

District: **41**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **95%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✓
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		
HB 164: Uranium Mine Cleanup		✓
HJR 2: Environmental Rights, CA		
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		
SB 21: Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit		



BEST

Matthew McQueen

Party: **Democrat**

District: **50**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **97%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		✓
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✓
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		✓
HB 164: Uranium Mine Cleanup		✓
HJR 2: Environmental Rights, CA		✓
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		
SB 21: Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit		

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB 6	HB 37	HB 127	HB 164	HJR 2	SB 8	SB 21
Ambrose Castellano (D, 70)	83%	67%		✓		✓			
Christine Chandler (D, 43)	89%	98%		✓	✓	✓	✗		
Brian F. Egolf (D, 47)	83%	98%		✓	E	E	✗		
Susan K. Herrera (D, 41)	100%	95%		✓		✓			
Tara L. Lujan (D, 48)	100%	100%		✓		✓			
Matthew McQueen (D, 50)	100%	97%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Roger E. Montoya (D, 40)	83%	84%		✓		✓			
Kristina Ortiz (D, 42)	92%	97%	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		
Andrea A. Romero (D, 46)	100%	100%		✓		✓			
Linda Serrato (D, 45)	100%	100%		✓		✓			



Senate

Serving Districts 28, 31, 35, 36, 37, 38



BEST

Siah Correa Hemphill

Party: **Democrat**

District: **28**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **100%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✓
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		✓
SB 21: Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit		✓
SB 144: Intimidation of Election Workers		



WORST

Crystal R. Diamond

Party: **Republican**

District: **35**

Current Score: **0%**

Lifetime Score: **6%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✗
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		✗
SB 21: Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit		E
SB 144: Intimidation of Election Workers		

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB 6	HB 37	HB 127	SB 8	SB 21	SB 144
Joseph Cervantes (D, 31)	100%	84%		✓		✓		
Crystal R. Diamond (R, 35)	0%	6%		✗		✗	E	
Carrie Hamblen (D, 38)	100%	100%		✓			✓	
Siah Correa Hemphill (D, 28)	100%	100%		✓		✓	✓	
William P. Soules (D, 37)	100%	94%		✓				
Jeff Steinborn (D, 36)	100%	99%		✓		✓	✓	

Southwest New Mexico is a busy place for conservation, with the entirety of New Mexico's copper mining industry and the last wild, free-flowing stretch of the Gila River all in Grant County.



House

Serving Districts 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 49, 52



BEST

Nathan P. Small

Party: **Democrat**

District: **36**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **99%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✓
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		
SB 21: Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit		
SB 144: Intimidation of Election Workers		✓



WORST

Luis M. Terrazas

Party: **Republican**

District: **39**

Current Score: **33%**

Lifetime Score: **11%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✗
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		
SB 21: Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit		
SB 144: Intimidation of Election Workers		✗

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB 6	HB 37	HB 127	SB 8	SB 21	SB 144
Gail Armstrong (R, 49)	33%	28%		✗				✗
Micaela Lara Cadena (D, 33)	89%	92%		✓	✓			✓
Rebecca Dow (R, 38)	43%	31%		✗				✗
Joanne J. Ferrary (D, 37)	100%	100%		✓				✓
Doreen Y. Gallegos (D, 52)	89%	86%	✓	✓				✓
Raymundo Lara (D, 34)	83%	83%		✓				✓
Willie D. Madrid (D, 53)	67%	63%		✓				✗
Angelica Rubio (D, 35)	100%	100%		✓				✓
Nathan P. Small (D, 36)	100%	99%		✓				✓
Candie G. Sweetser (D, 32)	67%	61%		✓				✗
Luis M. Terrazas (R, 39)	33%	11%		✗				✗



Southeast

Senate

Serving Districts 27, 32, 33, 34, 41, 42



WORST

William F. Burt

Party: **Republican**

District: **33**

Current Score: **0%**

Lifetime Score: **27%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		X
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		X
SB 14: Enacting the Clean Fuel Standard Act		X
SJR 8: Salaries for Public Officials, CA		



WORST

Stuart Ingle

Party: **Republican**

District: **27**

Current Score: **0%**

Lifetime Score: **22%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		X
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		X
SB 14: Enacting the Clean Fuel Standard Act		X
SJR 8: Salaries for Public Officials, CA		E

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB 6	HB 37	HB 127	SB 8	SB 14	SJR 8
William F. Burt (R, 33)	0%	27%		X		X	X	
David M. Gallegos (R, 41)	29%	15%		X			X	
Ron Griggs (R, 34)	43%	33%		X			X	
Stuart Ingle (R, 27)	0%	22%		X		X	X	E
Gay G. Kernan (R, 42)	33%	32%		X			X	
Cliff R. Pirtle (R, 32)	29%	28%		X		X	X	E

Eddy and Lea counties are home to the Permian Basin, one of the most productive oil fields on the planet. Common sense policy that holds the oil and gas industry accountable is particularly important here.



House

Serving Districts 51, 54, 55, 56, 58, 59, 61, 62, 66



WORST

Zachary J. Cook

Party: **Republican**

District: **56**

Current Score: **0%**

Lifetime Score: **15%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		X
HB 127: Storage of Certain Radioactive Waste		E
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		
SB 14: Enacting the Clean Fuel Standard Act		X
SJR 8: Salaries for Public Officials, CA		

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB 6	HB 37	HB 127	SB 8	SB 14	SJR 8
Phelps Anderson (DTS, 66)	40%	27%		X			E	
Rachel A. Black (R, 51)	33%	5%		X			X	
Cathrynn N. Brown (R, 55)	33%	16%		X			X	
Zachary J. Cook (R, 56)	0%	15%		X	E		X	
Candy Spence Ezzell (R, 58)	33%	16%		X			X	
Greg Nibert (R, 59)	20%	12%	X	X	E		X	
Randall T. Pettigrew (R, 61)	33%	11%		X			X	
Larry R. Scott (R, 62)	27%	12%	X	X	X		X	
James G. Townsend (R, 54)	25%	10%	X	X	X		X	



Central

Senate

Serving Districts 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 23, 26, 29, 40



BEST

Brenda G. McKenna

Party: **Democrat**

District: **9**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **100%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✓
HB 164: Uranium Mine Cleanup		✓
HJR 2: Environmental Rights, CA		
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		
SB 21: Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit		
SB 203: Study High-Speed Train		



WORST

Gregory A. Baca

Party: **Republican**

District: **29**








Current Score: **25%**

Lifetime Score: **27%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✗
HB 164: Uranium Mine Cleanup		✓
HJR 2: Environmental Rights, CA		
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		✗
SB 21: Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit		
SB 203: Study High-Speed Train		

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Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB 6 	HB 37 	HB 164 	HJR 2 	SB 8 	SB 21 	SB 203 
Gregory A. Baca (R, 29)	25%	27%		X	✓		X		
Craig W. Brandt (R, 40)	33%	27%		X	✓			E	X
Jacob R. Candelaria (DTS, 26)	0%	76%		A	A				
Katy M. Duhigg (D, 10)	100%	89%		E	✓		✓		
Martin Hickey (D, 20)	100%	95%		✓	✓			✓	✓
Daniel A. Ivey-Soto (D, 15)	100%	88%		✓	✓		✓		
Linda M. Lopez (D, 11)	100%	86%		✓	✓		✓		
Brenda G. McKenna (D, 9)	100%	100%		✓	✓				
Mark Moores (R, 21)	29%	27%		X	✓		X		
Bill B. O'Neill (D, 13)	100%	95%		✓	✓		✓		
Gerald Ortiz y Pino (D, 12)	100%	94%		✓	✓		✓		
Michael Padilla (D, 14)	71%	88%		✓	A		✓	✓	
Harold Pope (D, 23)	100%	96%		✓	✓				
Gregg Schmedes (R, 19)	60%	28%		✓	A				
Antoinette Sedillo Lopez (D, 16)	100%	98%		✓	✓				
Mimi Stewart (D, 17)	100%	98%		✓	✓		✓		
Bill Tallman (D, 18)	100%	97%		✓	✓			✓	✓



Central

House

Serving Districts 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30,



BEST

Dayan Hochman-Vigil

Party: **Democrat**

District: **15**

Current Score: **100%**

Lifetime Score: **95%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✓
HB 164: Uranium Mine Cleanup		✓
HJR 2: Environmental Rights, CA		
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		
SB 21: Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit		
SB 203: Study High-Speed Train		



WORST

William "Bill" R. Rehm

Party: **Republican**

District: **31**

Current Score: **20%**








Lifetime Score: **25%**

BILL	CATEGORY	VOTE
HB 6: Clean Future Act		✗
HB 37: Community Energy Efficiency Dev Block Grant		✗
HB 164: Uranium Mine Cleanup		✓
HJR 2: Environmental Rights, CA		✗
SB 8: Voters' Rights Provisions		
SB 21: Electric Vehicle Income Tax Credit		
SB 203: Study High-Speed Train		

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31, 44, 57, 61, 68

Key Legislation

LEGISLATOR (PARTY, DISTRICT)	CURRENT SCORE	LIFETIME SCORE	HB 6 	HB 37 	HB 164 	HJR 2 	SB 8 	SB 21 	SB 203 
Deborah A. Armstrong (D, 17)	100%	96%		✓	✓	✓			
Brian G. Baca (R, 8)	33%	33%		✗	✓				
Brittany Barreras (D, 12)*	—	93%							
Karen C. Bash (D, 68)	100%	100%		✓	✓				
Kay Bounkeua (D, 19)	100%	100%		✓	✓				
Gail Chasey (D, 18)	100%	96%	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Art De La Cruz (R, 12)	100%	100%		✓	✓				
Meredith A. Dixon (D, 20)	90%	90%	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Daymon Ely (D, 23)	89%	97%	✓	✓	E	✗			
Kelly K. Fajardo (R, 7)	29%	27%		✗	✓				
Natalie Figueroa (D, 30)	100%	100%		✓	✓				
Miguel P. Garcia (D, 14)	82%	96%	A	✓	✓	✓			
Joy Garratt (D, 29)	100%	97%		✓	✓				
Jason C. Harper (R, 57)	50%	22%		E	✓				
Joshua Hernandez (R, 60)	29%	15%		✗	✓				
Pamelya, Herndon (D, 28)	91%	91%	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Dayan Hochman-Vigil (D, 15)	100%	95%		✓	✓				
Stefani Lord (R, 22)	33%	11%		✗	✓				
Georgene Louis (D, 26)	100%	98%	✓	✓	E	E			
Antonio "Moe" Maestas (D, 16)	86%	87%		✓	✓				
Javier Martínez (D, 11)	80%	98%		✓	E				
Marian Matthews (D, 27)	67%	92%		✓	✓				
Jane E. Powdrell-Culbert (R, 44)	29%	17%		✗	✓				
William "Bill" R. Rehm (R, 31)	20%	25%	✗	✗	✓	✗			
G. Andrés Romero (D, 10)	100%	98%		✓	✓				
Patricia Roybal Caballero (D, 13)	100%	97%		✓	✓				
Debra M. Sariñana (D, 21)	91%	99%	✓	✓	✓	✓			
Elizabeth "Liz" Thomson (D, 24)	100%	99%		✓	✓				
Christine Trujillo (D, 25)	100%	96%		✓	✓				

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