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CIVIL RIGHTS FEDERAL
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CONGRESSIONAL VOTES
2013-2014
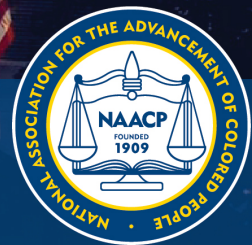
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PREFACE

Since 1914, the NAACP Legislative Report Card has served as a presentation of key civil rights votes taken in the United States Senate and the United States House of Representatives. The edition that follows contains votes taken during the 113th Congress, which began January 3, 2013 and ended on December 16, 2014. The 114th Congress began on January 5, 2015.

This Report Card is designed to provide NAACP members with insight into the general voting patterns of their congressional representatives and state delegations over the course of the first session of the 113th Congress.

The votes selected for inclusion in the NAACP Report Card are those that have been considered by the full U.S. House of Representatives and U.S. Senate. Legislation that did not progress beyond the committee level is not included. The Report Card is updated and distributed to NAACP members twice each Congress. A Congress is two years long; the NAACP Legislative Report Card is issued at the end of the first year or session as a mid-term assessment, and then at the end of the second year and may be used as a final guide or assessment of the full two-year Congress.

We hope that you will find the enclosed information to be useful in your efforts to educate yourself and other NAACP members about the votes of our elected representatives on legislation of critical importance to the African American community and other friends of civil rights.

February, 2015

VOTE DESCRIPTION

1. **VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT REAUTHORIZATION**
   S. 47 / The "Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013" / Final Passage / Senate Vote #19
   Final passage of the bill to reauthorize, modernize, and streamline the Violence Against Women Act thereby improving criminal justice and community-based responses to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking in the United States.
   S. 47 passed the Senate on February 12, 2013, by a margin of 78 yeas – 22 nays, was subsequently passed by the House un—amended on February 28, 2013, and was then sent to President Obama, who signed the bill into law.
   THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE BILL AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.

2. **HEALTH CARE REFORM REPEAL**
   S. Con. Res. 8 / Fiscal Year 2014 Resolution / Cruz (TX) Amendment / Senate Vote #51
   Amendment offered by Senator Cruz (TX) to repeal the 2010 Affordable Care Act.
   The Cruz (TX) amendment failed on March 22, 2013, by a margin of 45 yeas to 54 nays.
   THE NAACP OPPOSED THE CRUZ AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.

3. **PRIVATE SCHOOL VOUCHERS**
   S. Con. Res. 8 / Fiscal Year 2014 Resolution / Alexander (TN) Amendment / Senate Vote #63
   Amendment offered by Senator Alexander (TN) to take money intended for low-income public school students and redirect the money to private school vouchers.
   The Alexander amendment failed on March 22, 2013, by a margin of 39 yeas to 60 nays.
   THE NAACP OPPOSED THE ALEXANDER AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.

4. **UNION DUES**
   S. Con. Res. 8 / Fiscal Year 2014 Resolution / Scott (SC) Amendment / Senate Vote #75
   Amendment offered by Senator Scott (SC) which would prohibit tax-payer funds to be used to automatically deduct union dues from federal employee pay.
   The Scott amendment failed on March 22, 2013, by a vote of 43 yeas to 56 nays.
   THE NAACP OPPOSED THE SCOTT AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.

5. **BAN ON GREENHOUSE GAS EMMISSION REGULATIONS**
   S. Con. Res. 8 / Fiscal Year 2014 Resolution / Inhofe (OK) Amendment / Senate Vote #76
   Amendment offered by Senator Inhofe (OK) to ban any regulations by the US Environmental Protection Agency to regulate carbon emissions.
   The Inhofe (OK) amendment failed on March 23, 2013, by a margin of 47 yeas to 52 nays.
   THE NAACP OPPOSED THE INHOFE AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.

6. **VOTER PHOTO-ID REQUIREMENT**
   S. Con. Res. 8 / Fiscal Year 2014 Resolution / Vitter (LA) Amendment / Senate Vote #83
   Amendment offered by Senator Vitter (LA) to require a government-issued photo identification to vote in federal elections.
   The Vitter (LA) amendment failed on March 23, 2013, by a margin of 44 yeas to 54 nays.
   THE NAACP OPPOSED THE VITTER AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.

7. **LIFELINE PROGRAM**
   S. Con. Res. 8 / Fiscal Year 2014 Resolution / Vitter (LA) Amendment / Senate Vote #84
   Amendment offered by Senator Vitter (LA) to repeal the Lifeline program, which provides subsidized phone service to low-income individuals who cannot otherwise afford it.
   The Vitter (LA) amendment failed on March 23, 2013, by a margin of 46 yeas to 53 nays.
   THE NAACP OPPOSED THE VITTER AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.

8. **U.N. ARMS TRADE TREATY**
   S. Con. Res. 8 / Fiscal Year 2014 Resolution / Inhofe (OK) Amendment / Senate Vote #91
   Amendment offered by Senator Inhofe (OK) to ban the United States from entering into the U.N. treaty to stop the global proliferation of small arms and light armaments.
   The Inhofe (OK) amendment passed on March 23, 2013, by a margin of 53 yeas to 46 nays.
   THE NAACP OPPOSED THE INHOFE AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.

9. **INCREASE THE USE OF BACKGROUND CHECKS FOR GUN PURCHASERS**
   S. 649 / The "Safe Communities, Safe Schools Act of 2013" / Manchin (WV) Amendment / Senate Vote #97
   Amendment offered by Senator Manchin (WV) to increase the type of sales of firearms subject to a background check.
   The Manchin amendment failed, on April 17, 2013, by a margin of 54 yeas to 46 nays. (Three-fifths of the entire Senate, or 60 yeas, is required to pass the amendment).
   THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE MANCHIN AMENDMENT AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.

10. **INCREASE PENALTIES TO DETER STRAW PURCHASES OF FIREARMS AND GUN TRAFFICKING**
    S. 649 / The "Safe Communities, Safe Schools Act of 2013" / Leahy(VT) Amendment / Senate Vote #99
    Amendment offered by Senator Leahy (VT) to make it illegal to purchase firearms for the sole purpose of reselling them to individuals who cannot pass a background check.
    The Leahy amendment failed, on April 17, 2013, by a margin of 58 yeas to 42 nays. (Three-fifths of the entire Senate, or 60 yeas, is required to pass the amendment).
    THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE LEAHY AMENDMENT AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.

11. **BAN ON MILITARY – STYLE ASSAULT WEAPONS**
    S. 649 / The "Safe Communities, Safe Schools Act of 2013" / Feinstein (CA) Amendment / Senate Vote #101
    Amendment offered by Senator Feinstein (CA) to ban the sale, manufacture or distribution of military-style assault weapons.
    The Feinstein amendment failed, on April 17, 2013, by a margin of 40 yeas to 60 nays. (Three-fifths of the entire Senate, or 60 yeas, is required to pass the amendment).
    THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE FEINSTEIN AMENDMENT AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.

12. **BAN ON HIGH CAPACITY AMMUNITION CLIPS**
    S. 649 / The "Safe Communities, Safe Schools Act of 2013" / Lautenberg (NJ) Amendment / Senate Vote #103
    Amendment offered by Senator Lautenberg (NJ) to ban high capacity magazine clips, as defined as those which can shoot more than 10 bullets before reloading.
    The Lautenberg (NJ) amendment failed, on April 17, 2013, by a margin of 46 yeas to 54 nays. (Three-fifths of the entire Senate, or 60 yeas, is required to pass the amendment).
    THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE LAUTENBERG AMENDMENT AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.

13. **REDUCE THE BENEFITS OF THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) (FORMERLY KNOWN AS FOOD STAMPS) AND PLACE DRACONIAN REQUIREMENTS ON RECIPIENTS**
S. 954 / The "Agriculture Reform, Food, and Jobs Act of 2013" / Inhofe (OK) Amendment / Senate Vote #132
Amendment offered by Senator Inhofe (OK) which would eliminate the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) (formerly known as Food Stamps) and replace it with a block grant program which required states to conduct drug testing and work requirements of all beneficiaries.
The Inhofe (OK) amendment failed on May 22, 2013, by a margin of 36 yeas to 60 nays.
THE NAACP OPPOSED THE INHOFE AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.

14. **SRINIVASAN CONFIRMATION**
Srinivasan Confirmation / Senate Vote #136
Final vote on the nomination of Srikanth Srinivasan to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit.
Mr. Srinivasan was confirmed by a margin of 97 yeas to 0 nays on May 23, 2013.
THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE SRINIVASAN NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.

15. **STUDENT LOAN INTEREST RATE**
S. 953 / The "Student Loan Affordability Act" / Cloture / Senate Vote #143
Motion to invoke cloture, and thus limit debate and proceed to a vote on final passage, on a bill which would extend the 3.4% interest rates on federal student loans for two years.
The motion to invoke cloture was defeated, by a margin of 51 yeas to 46 nays (60 votes are required to invoke cloture).
THE NAACP SUPPORTED S. 953, AND THUS SUPPORTED THE MOTION TO INVOKE CLOTURE, AND THUS URGED A "YEA" VOTE.

16. **FOXX CONFIRMATION**
Foxx Confirmation / Senate Vote #165
Final vote on the nomination of Anthony Foxx to serve as U.S. Secretary of Transportation.
Mr. Foxx was confirmed by a margin of 100 yeas to 0 nays on June 27, 2013.
THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE FOXX NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.

17. **IMMIGRATION OVERHAUL**
S. 744 / The "Border Security, Economic Opportunity, and Immigration Modernization Act" / Final Passage / Senate Vote #168
Final Passage of a massive overhaul of our nation's immigration system which creates an incremental path to citizenship for most illegal immigrants currently in the US and institutes new border security measures.
S. 744 passed the U.S. Senate on June 27, 2013, by a margin of 68 yeas to 32 nays. It was then sent to the U.S. House of Representatives, which has yet to take action.
THE NAACP SUPPORTED S. 744 AND URGED AN "YEA" VOTE.

18. CORDRAY CONFIRMATION

Cordray Confirmation / Senate Vote #174
Final vote on the nomination of Rich Cordray to serve as Director of the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau.
Mr. Cordray was confirmed by a margin of 66 yeas to 34 nays on July 16, 2013.
THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE CORDRAY NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.

19. PEREZ CONFIRMATION

Perez Confirmation / Senate Vote #178
Final vote on the nomination of Tom Perez to serve as U.S. Secretary of Labor.
Mr. Perez was confirmed by a margin of 54 yeas to 46 nays on July 18, 2013.
THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE PEREZ NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.

20. McCARTHY NOMINATION

McCarthy Confirmation / Senate Vote #180
Final vote on the nomination of Gina McCarthy to serve as Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).
Ms. McCarthy was confirmed by a margin of 59 yeas to 40 nays on July 18, 2013.
THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE McCARTHY NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.

21. WEST CONFIRMATION

West Confirmation / Senate Vote #186
Final vote on the nomination of Derek Anthony West to serve as Associate Attorney General.
Mr. West was confirmed by a margin of 98 yeas to 1 nay on July 25, 2013.
THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE WEST NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.

22. JONES CONFIRMATION

Jones Confirmation Cloture / Senate Vote #196
Vote on whether to invoke cloture (and thus limit debate) on the nomination of B. Todd Jones to serve as Director of the Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives.
Cloture was invoked on the nomination of Mr. Jones by a margin of 60 yeas to 40 nays on July 31, 2013. He was subsequently confirmed later the same day.
THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE JONES NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CLOTURE AND IN FAVOR OF FINAL CONFIRMATION.

23. FEDERAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014 AND DEBT LIMIT SUSPENSION

H.R. 2775 / The "Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014" / Final Passage / Senate Vote #219
Final passage of the bill to enact a temporary federal budget through January 15, 2014, and to extend the debt limit through February 7, 2014, thereby ending the federal government shutdown, which began October 1, 2013.
H.R. 2755 passed the Senate on October 16, 2013, by a margin of 81 yeas to 18 nays; it was subsequently passed by the House of Representatives un-amended and signed into law by the President.
THE NAACP SUPPORTED H.R. 2775 AND AN END TO THE GOVERNMENT SHUT-DOWN AND URGED AN "YEA" VOTE.

24. EMPLOYEE NON-DISCRIMINATION

S. 815 / The "Employee Non-Discrimination Act" / Final Passage / Senate Vote #232
Final passage of a bill that would prohibit employers from discriminating against an employee or applicant on the basis of his or her perceived or actual sexual orientation or gender identity.
S. 815 passed on November 7, 2013, by a margin of 64 yeas to 32 nays.
<u>**THE NAACP SUPPORTED S. 815 AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.**</u>

25. SENATE RULE CHANGE ON JUDICIAL AND EXECUTIVE BRANCH NOMINEES

Appeal of the Ruling of the Chair / Senate Vote #242
Vote to change the rules under which the US Senate operates and require only a simple majority – 51 votes out of 100, as opposed to the 60 out of 100 which had been required – to approve ending debate and moving forward with the confirmation of a presidential nominee to serve either in the executive branch or the judiciary. This rule change means that while the Senate is still responsible for providing its "advise and consent" on nominees to the executive and judicial branches, and while nominees still require the support of a majority of the Senators to be confirmed, no longer will 60 votes be necessary to bring the nominations up for an up-or down, yes-or-no, vote on confirmation. This change will apply to all nominees of future presidents, regardless of their party affiliation. The exception to the rule is nominees to the U.S. Supreme Court, who will still need to get over the 60-vote hurdle before their nomination can be considered by the full Senate; bills and legislation will also continue to be subject to the 60-vote requirement.
The opinion of the chair was overruled and the terms of invoking cloture were changed on November 21, 2013, by a margin of 48 yeas to 52 nays.
<u>**THE NAACP SUPPORTED A CHANGE IN THE RUES AND THUS URGED A "NAY" VOTE.**</u>

26. MILLETT CONFIRMATION

Millett Confirmation / Senate Vote #247
Final vote on the nomination of Patricia Ann Millett to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit.
Ms. Millett was confirmed by a margin of 56 yeas to 38 nays on December 10, 2013.
<u>**THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE MILLETT NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.**</u>

27. WATT CONFIRMATION

Watt Confirmation / Senate Vote #252
Final vote on the nomination of Mel Watt to serve as Director of the Federal Housing Finance Agency.
Mr. Watt was confirmed by a margin of 57 yeas to 41 nays on December 10, 2013.
<u>**THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE WATT NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.**</u>

28. PILLARD CONFIRMATION

Pillard Confirmation / Senate Vote #256
Final vote on the nomination of Cornelia "Nina" Pillard to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit.
Ms. Pillard was confirmed by a margin of 51 yeas to 44 nays on December 11, 2013.
<u>**THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE PILLARD NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.**</u>

29. **WILKINS CONFIRMATION**

Wilkins Confirmation / Senate Vote #7
Final vote on the nomination of Robert L. Wilkins to serve on the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit.
Mr. Wilkins was confirmed by a margin of 55 yeas to 43 nays on January 13, 2014
<u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE WILKINS NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.</u>

30. **ADEGBILE CONFIRMATION**

Adegbile Confirmation / Cloture/ Senate Vote #48
Motion to invoke cloture, and thus end debate, on the nomination of Debo Adegbile to serve as assistant attorney general for civil rights in the U.S. Department of Justice.
The motion to invoke cloture on Mr. Adegbile's confirmation was defeated on March 5, 2014, by a margin of 47 yeas to 52 nays.
<u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE ADEGBILE NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CLOTURE ON THE CONFIRMATION.</u>

31. **UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS EXTENSION**

H.R. 3979 / The Emergency Unemployment Compensation Extension Act of 2014 / Final passage / Senate vote #101
Final passage of a bill to provide for the retroactive restoration of the federal emergency unemployment insurance program (UI) and extend unemployment benefits through May 31, 2014.
The bill passed on April 7, 2014, by a margin of 59 yeas to 38 nays.
<u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED PASSAGE OF THE BILL AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.</u>

32. **MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE**

S. 2223 / The Minimum Wage Fairness Act / Cloture / Senate vote #117
Motion to invoke cloture, and thus end debate and move on to a vote on final passage, of a bill to increase the federal minimum wage from $7.25 an hour to $10.10 an hour. The increase would be achieved in three increments between enactment and 2015, and would then adjust the minimum wage each year to keep pace with the rising cost of living starting in 2016 – a key policy reform known as "indexing."
The motion to invoke cloture was defeated on April 30, 2014, by a margin of 54 yeas to 42 nays (Three-fifths of the Senate, or 60 votes, is required to invoke cloture on legislation).
<u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE BILL, AND THUS ALSO SUPPORTED TO MOTION TO INVOKE CLOTURE AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.</u>

33. **HARPER CONFIRMATION**

Harper Confirmation / Senate Vote #165
Final vote on the nomination of Keith M. Harper to serve as U.S. Ambassador to the United Nations' Human Rights Council.
Mr. Harper was confirmed by a margin of 52 yeas to 42 nays on June 3, 2014
<u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE HARPER NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.</u>

34. CASTRO CONFIRMATION

Castro Confirmation / Senate Vote #219
Final vote on the nomination of Julián Castro to be the Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.
Mr. Castro was confirmed by a margin of 71 yeas to 26 nays on July9, 2014
<u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE CASTRO NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.</u>

35. DONOVAN CONFIRMATION

Donovan Confirmation / Senate Vote #221
Final vote on the nomination of Shaun Donovan to be the Director of the Office of Management and Budget.
Mr. Donovan was confirmed by a margin of 75 yeas to 22 nays on July 10, 2014
<u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE DONOVAN NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.</u>

36. WHITE CONFIRMATION

White Confirmation / Senate Vote #227
Final vote on the nomination of Ronnie L. White to be a judge for the U.S. District Court for the Eastern District of Missouri. Mr. White had previously nominated twice by President Bill Clinton. Both of White's previous nominations were filibustered by then-Senator John Ashcroft who led a vigorous smear campaign against White based on spurious claims about his record as a judge on death penalty cases.
Mr. White was confirmed by a margin of 53 yeas to 44 nays on July 16, 2014
<u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE WHITE NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.</u>

37. VETERANS BENEFITS

H.R. 3230 / The Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 Conference Report / Final Passage / Senate vote #254
Final passage of the final version of legislation to authorize $10 billion in emergency spending for care at non-Veterans Affairs facilities and allow veterans to obtain health care at such facilities if they live more than 40 miles from a VA clinic or can't get an appointment at a VA clinic within 30 days. It would provide $5 billion to hire more doctors, nurses and other health care professionals and would authorize leases for the opening of 27 new VA health facilities. It also would authorize the VA secretary to fire or demote VA Senior Executive Service employees based on their performance or misconduct.
H.R. 3230 passed the US Senate on July 31, 2014, by a margin of 91yeas to 3 nays and was thus sent to President Obama to sign into law.
<u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE BILL AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.</u>

38. HIGHWAY TRUST FUND REAUTHORIZATION

*H.R. 5021 / The Highway and Transportation Funding Act of 2014 / Motion to Recede /
Senate vote #255*

Motion to recede from the Senate amendment and pass the bill that would reauthorize the federal-aid highway and transit programs for eight months, through May 31, 2015, and transfer $10.8 billion in other federal funds to the Highway Trust Fund to cover projected trust fund shortfalls. The bill would authorize $26.8 billion in highway and highway safety obligations; $293 million in contract authority for administrative expenses of the federal-aid highway program; $454 million for National Highway Traffic Safety Administration programs; $415 million for the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration; $5.7 billion for mass transit formula grants, $1.3 billion for capital investment grants and $44 million for bus and bus facilities grants.

The motion was agreed to, and the bill was sent to President Obama to be signed into law, by a margin of 81 yeas to 13 nays.

THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE BILL AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.

39. EQUAL PAY

S. 2199 / The Paycheck Fairness Act / Cloture

Motion to invoke cloture, and end debate and then move to a vote on final passage of a bill which would require employers to demonstrate that wage gaps between men and women with similar qualifications and in similar jobs have a business justification. It would prohibit employers from retaliating against employees who share salary information and authorize the Labor secretary to seek additional compensatory or punitive damages in a sex discrimination action.

The motion to invoke cloture was defeated on September 15, 2014, by a margin of 52 yeas to 40 nays (Three-fifths of the Senate, or 60 votes, is required to invoke cloture on legislation).

THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE BILL, AND THUS ALSO SUPPORTED TO MOTION TO INVOKE CLOTURE AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.

40. SAPERSTEIN CONFIRMATION

Saperstein Confirmation / Senate Vote #326

Final vote on the nomination of Rabbi David Nathan Saperstein to be the U.S. Ambassador-at-large for International Religious Freedom. Rabbi Saperstein has served as a member of the NAACP national Board of Directors since 1985.

Rabbi Saperstein was confirmed by a margin of 62 yeas to 35 nays on December 12, 2014

THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE SAPERSTEIN NOMINATION AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE IN FAVOR OF CONFIRMATION.

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ILLINOIS			
Durbin	100%		A
Kirk	43%		F
INDIANA			
Coats	20%		F
Donnelly	85%		B
IOWA			
Grassley	13%		F
Harkin	93%		A
KANSAS			
Roberts	10%		F
Moran	20%		F
KENTUCKY			
McConnell	15%		F
Paul	15%		F
LOUISIANA			
Landrieu	90%		A
Vitter	18%		F
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Collins	60%		D
King (Ind.)	93%		A
MARYLAND			
Mikulski	98%		A
Cardin	98%		A

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Cowan (2/1/2013 - 7/16/2013)	I		I
Markey (7/16/2013 - present)	I		I
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Levin, Carl	98%		A
Stabenow	100%		A
MINNESOTA			
Klobuchar	100%		A
Franken	100%		A
MISSISSIPPI			
Cochran	20%		F
Wicker	25%		F
MISSOURI			
McCaskill	93%		A
Blunt	23%		F
MONTANA			
Baucus (1/3/2013 - 2/6/2014)	I		I
Walsh (2/9/2014 - 1/3/2015)	I		I
Tester	93%		A
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Heller	28%		F
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Shaheen	100%		A
Ayotte	35%		F
NEW JERSEY			
Lautenberg (1/3/2013 - 6/3/2013)	I		I
Chiesa (6/6/2013 - 10/31/2013)	I		I
Booker (10/31/2013 - present)	I		I
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VOTE DESCRIPTION

1. **VIOLENCE AGAINST WOMEN ACT REAUTHORIZATION**
   S. 47 / The "Violence Against Women Reauthorization Act of 2013" / Final Passage / House Vote #55
   Final passage of the bill to reauthorize, modernize, and streamline the Violence Against Women Act thereby improving criminal justice and community-based responses to domestic violence, dating violence, sexual assault and stalking in the United States.
   S. 47 passed the House un-amended on February 28, 2013, by a margin of 286 yeas – 138 nays, and was then sent to President Obama, who signed the bill into law.
   THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE BILL AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.

2. **ABILITY OF STATES TO WAIVE THE WORK REQUIREMENT FOR TANF RECIPIENTS**
   H.R. 890 / "Preserving the Welfare Work Requirement and TANF Extension Act of 2013" / Final Passage / House Vote #68
   Final passage of a bill to reauthorize the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program and to bar states from implementing waivers of the work requirement for TANF recipients.
   H.R. 890 passed the U.S. House of Representatives on March 13, 2013, by a margin of 246 yeas – 181 nays. It was then sent to the U.S. Senate, where no further action has been taken.
   THE NAACP OPPOSED H.R. 890 AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.

3. **JOB TRAINING PROGRAM EXPANSION**
   H. R. 803 / The "Supporting Knowledge and Investing in Lifelong Skills" ("SKILLS") Act / Substitute Amendment offered by Congressman Tierney (MA) / House Vote #73
   Substitute amendment to a bill to reauthorize and modify the Workforce Investment Act. The amendment would require unified state plans that coordinate job training and education programs; it would expand various on-the-job training programs, transitional jobs, and paid work-experience programs; and it would expand capacity to train workers in high-growth industries. It would allow people seeking assistance to access training programs without first being required to access other job search services.
   The substitute amendment failed on March 15, 2013, by a margin of 192 yeas to 227 nays. The underlying bill then passed the House of Representatives and was sent to the U.S. Senate, where no further action has been taken.
   THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE AMENDMENT AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.

4. **CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS BUDGET ALTERNATIVE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014**
   H. Con. Res. 25 / Fiscal Year 2014 Budget Resolution / Substitute Amendment Offered by Congressman R. Scott (VA) on behalf of the Congressional Black Caucus / House Vote #84
   Alternative budget authored and offered by the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) assumes cuts in war spending and other savings to increase spending on domestic activities in fiscal year 2014, including $230 billion for infrastructure repairs, $100 billion for community restoration projects, and $50 billion for teacher, first responder and law enforcement jobs; and increases of $255 billion for transportation projects, $240 billion for education programs, $57 billion for community development programs, and $55 billion for low-income aid programs.
   The CBC budget alternative failed on March 20, 2013, by a margin of 105 yeas to 305 nays. The subsequent underlying budget resolution was passed and sent onto the Senate.
   THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE CBC ALTERNATIVE AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.

5. **CONGRESSIONAL GOLD MEDAL FOR 4 LITTLE GIRLS ON BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA**
    H.R. 360 / Congressional Gold Medal / Final Passage / House Vote #360
    Bill to award the Congressional Gold Medal posthumously to Addie Mae Collins, Denise McNair, Carole Robertson, and Cynthia Wesley to commemorate the lives they lost 50 years ago in the bombing of the Sixteenth Street Baptist Church, where these 4 little Black girls' ultimate sacrifice served as a catalyst for the Civil Rights Movement.
    H.R. 360 passed on April 24, 2013, by a margin of 420 yeas to 0 nays. The bill subsequently passed the Senate unanimously on May 9, 2013, and was signed into law on May 24, 2013. The gold medals were awarded to the families on September 10, 2013.
    <u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED H.R. 360 AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.</u>

6. **EMPLOYER DETERMINED COMPENSATORY TIME**
    H.R. 1406 / The "Working Families Flexibility Act of 2013" / Final Passage / House Vote #137
    Bill to allow private-sector employers to determine if non-exempt employees should be compensated monetarily for overtime work, or if they should instead be given "compensatory time."
    H.R. 1406 passed on May 8, 2013, by a margin of 223 yeas to 204 nays and was sent to the U.S. Senate, where no further action has been taken.
    <u>THE NAACP OPPOSED H.R. 1406 AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.</u>

7. **VETERANS' HOUSING ASSISTANCE**
    H.R. 384 / The "Homes for Heroes Act of 2013" / Final Passage / House Vote #149
    Final passage of a bill to establish a special assistant for Veterans' Affairs at the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development and would require agencies to report annually on efforts to reduce homelessness among veterans.
    H.R. 384 passed the House on May 15, 2013, by a margin of 420 yeas to 3 nays and was sent to the U.S. Senate, where no further action has been taken.
    <u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED H.R. 384 AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.</u>

8. **VETERANS' JOB TRAINING**
    H.R. 1412 / The "Department of Veterans Affairs Expiring Authorities Act of 2013" / Final Passage / House Vote #164
    Final passage of a bill to direct the Department of Veterans' Affairs to enter into agreements with other federal agencies to participate in job training programs.
    H.R. 1412 passed the House on May 21, 2013, by a vote of 416 yeas to 0 nays; the bill passed the Senate by unanimous vote on September 23, 2013, and was signed into law by President Obama on September 30, 2013.
    <u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED H.R. 1412 AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.</u>

9. **PREVAILING WAGE ACT ENFORCEMENT**
    H.R. 2216 / Military Construction and Veterans' Affairs Appropriations for Fiscal Year 2014 / King (IA) Amendment / House Vote #191
    Amendment offered by Congressman King (IA) to bar the administration or enforcement of Davis-Bacon Act prevailing wage requirements.
    The King (IA) amendment was defeated on June 4, 2013, by a margin of 192 yeas to 231 nays.
    <u>THE NAACP OPPOSED THE KING (IA) AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.</u>

10. HEALTHY FOOD FINANCING INITIATIVE

H.R. 1497 / The "Federal Agriculture Reform and Risk Management Act of 2013" / Schweikert (AZ) Amendment / House Vote #267

Amendment offered by Congressman Schweikert (AZ) to strike a provison establishing an initiative to provide access to healthy food in low-income communities.

The Schweikert (AZ) amendment was defeated on June 20, 2013, by a margin of 194 yeas to 232 nays.

THE NAACP OPPOSED THE SCHWEIKERT (AZ) AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.

11. ELEMENTARY AND SECONDARY EDUCATION OVERHAUL

H.R. 5 / The "Student Success Act" / Final Passage / House Vote #374

Final passage of a bill to update the Elementary and Secondary Education Act ("ESEA," a.k.a. "No Child Left Behind"). The bill abandons accountability for the achievement and learning gains of subgroups of disadvantaged students; eliminates goals and performance targets for academic achievement; removes parameters regarding the use of federal funds to help improve struggling schools; does not address key disparities in opportunity such as access to high-quality college preparatory curricula; restricts the federal government from protecting disadvantaged students; does not address poor quality tests; and fails to advance the current movement toward college-and career-ready standards.

H.R. 5 passed the House on July 19, 2013, by a margin of 221 yeas to 207 nays, and was sent to the Senate, which is working on its own version of ESEA re-authorization.

THE NAACP OPPOSED H.R. 5 AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.

12. DELAY OF HEALTH CARE OVERHAUL LAW

H.R. 2775 / "Verification System for Health Insurance Subsidies" / Final Passage / House Vote #458

Final passage of a bill to delay implementation of the Affordable Care Act by targeting the subsidies to help people buy health coverage through insurance exchanges.

H.R. 2775 passed the House on September 12, 2013, by a margin of 235 yeas to 191 nays. It was sent to the U.S. Senate where the original language was replaced with a completely different bill. The original language was not acted upon.

THE NAACP OPPOSED H.R. 2775 AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.

13. DRASTIC CUTS TO THE SUPPLEMENTAL NUTRITION ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (SNAP) (FORMERLY KNOWN AS FOOD STAMPS)

H.R. 3102 / The "Nutrition Reform and Work Opportunity Act of 2013" / Final Passage / House Vote #476

Bill which would make changes in the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP") (formerly known as food stamps) that would result in $40 billion being cut from the program over a 5-year period.

H.R. 3102 passed the House on September 19, 2013, by a margin of 217 yeas to 210 nays. The legislation was sent to the Senate, folded into the larger Farm Bill reauthorization, and modified. The final bill, which was signed into law on February 7, 2014, will result in cuts to SNAP of just over $8 billion over 5 years.

THE NAACP STRONGLY OPPOSED H.R. 3102 AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.

14. **FEDERAL BUDGET FOR FISCAL YEAR 2014 AND DEBT LIMIT SUSPENSION**
    H.R. 2775 / The "Continuing Appropriations Act, 2014" / Final Passage / House Vote #550
    Final passage of the bill to enact a temporary federal budget through January 15, 2014, and to extend the debt limit through February 7, 2014, thereby ending the federal government shutdown, which began October 1, 2013.
    H.R. 2755 passed the House of Representatives on October 16, 2013, by a margin of 284 yeas to 144 nays; it was subsequently signed into law by the President.
    <u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED H.R. 2775 AND AN END TO THE GOVERNMENT SHUT-DOWN AND URGED AN "YEA" VOTE.</u>

15. **LOCAL ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT OF PROPOSED PROJECTS ON FEDERAL LAND**
    H.R. 3590 / The "Sportsmen's Heritage And Recreational Enhancement Act or the SHARE Act / DeFazio (OR) Amendment / House vote #38
    Amendment offered by Congressman DeFazio (OR) to strike language in the underlying bill exempting certain requirements under The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA). NEPA requires federal agencies to integrate environmental values into their decision making processes by considering the environmental impacts of their proposed actions and reasonable alternatives to those actions.
    The DeFazio amendment failed on February 5, 2014, by a margin of 185 yeas to 237 nays.
    <u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE DEFAZIO AMENDMENT AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.</u>

16. **TAKING CLIMATE CHANGE INTO ACCOUNT WHEN DECIDING THE FATE OF FEDERAL LANDS**
    H.R. 3590 / The "Sportsmen's Heritage And Recreational Enhancement Act or the SHARE Act / Holt (NJ) Amendment / House vote #39
    Amendment offered by Congressman Holt (NJ) to allow the Secretary of Interior to consider climate change when making decisions related to public land.
    The Holt amendment failed on February 5, 2014, by a margin of 181 yeas to 242 nays.
    <u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE HOLT AMENDMENT AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.</u>

17. **LIMITING PRESIDENTIAL ACTION TO DESIGNATE NATIONAL MONUMENTS**
    H.R. 1459 / The Ensuring Public Involvement in the Creation of National Monuments Act / Final Passage / House vote # 147
    Final passage of a bill which would limit the ability of the President to designate national monuments (currently authorized by the 1906 "Antiquities Act") to one designation per state, per 4-year term.
    H.R. 1459 passed the U.S. House on March 26, 2014, by a margin of 222 yeas to 201 nays and was sent to the US Senate for consideration. .
    <u>THE NAACP OPPOSED H.R. 1459 AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.</u>

18. **CHANGING THE DEFINITION OF A "FULL TIME EMPLOYEE" FOR PURPOSES OF THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT**
    H.R. 2575 / The / Save American Workers Act of 2014 / Final Passage / House vote # 156
    Final passage of a bill to change the definition of a "full time employee" for purposes of the Affordable Care Act of 2010 from someone who works 30 hours per week to someone who works 40 hours per week. It also changed the formula used to determine a company's number of employees so that the company could hire more employees and not need to provide them with health care benefits.
    H.R. 2575 passed the U.S. House on April 3, 2014, by a margin of 248 yeas to 179 nays and was sent to the US Senate for consideration.
    <u>THE NAACP OPPOSED H.R. 2575 AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.</u>

19. CONGRESSIONAL BLACK CAUCUS BUDGET ALTERNATIVE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2015

H. Con. Res. 96 / Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Resolution / Substitute Amendment Offered by Congresswoman Moore (WI) on behalf of the Congressional Black Caucus / House vote #172
Alternative budget authored and offered by the Congressional Black Caucus (CBC) which included an additional $500 billion over the first three years for infrastructure and jobs programs, including $230 billion for infrastructure repairs; $100 billion for a national direct job creation program; $50 billion for school modernization; $50 billion to fund teacher, law enforcement and first responder jobs; $50 billion to rebuild neighborhoods; $13 billion for job training and $7 billion for summer jobs. It also would call for $388 billion increase in funding for anti-poverty programs such as the Supplement Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as food stamps) and extending unemployment insurance. It also would recommend raising the federal minimum wage from $7.25 to $10.10 per hour and assume repeal of the automatic spending cuts under the sequester. To pay for the spending increases, it would recommend a number of revenue increases including lowering tax deductions and eliminating tax breaks for corporations and wealthy Americans and a number of policy changes such as adding a public option to health insurance exchanges, passing comprehensive immigration overhaul and ending spending from the Defense Department's Overseas Contingency Operations account.
The CBC budget alternative failed on April 9, 2014, by a margin of 116 yeas to 300 nays. The subsequent underlying budget resolution was passed and sent onto the Senate.
<u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE CBC ALTERNATIVE AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.</u>

20. DRACONIAN FEDERAL BUDGET

H. Con. Res. 96 / Fiscal Year 2015 Budget Resolution /Final Passage / House vote #177
Final passage of a federal budget resolution which includes $5.1 trillion in reductions over the next 10 years in both discretionary and mandatory spending. The proposal would repeal the 2010 health care overhaul. It would propose changing the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (formerly known as "Food Stamps") into a block grant program and call for a decrease of $125 billion in SNAP funding over five years. The proposal would call for expanded work and job training requirements in order to receive aid from the Temporary Assistance to Needy Families Program and would propose preventing beneficiaries from receiving unemployment insurance and disability insurance concurrently. It would call for the creation of a block grant program for Medicaid run by individual states. It would reduce the top individual rate from 39.6 percent to 25 percent and the corporate rate from 35 percent to 25 percent and call for repeal of the alternative minimum tax. It also would call for a maximum-income cap to qualify for Pell Grants and the elimination of eligibility for less than half-time students.
H. Con. Res. 96 passed the US House on April 10, 2014, by a vote 219 yeas to 205 nays and was sent to the Senate for consideration.
<u>THE NAACP OPPOSED H. CON RES. 96 AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.</u>

21. ELIMINATE FEDERAL SPENDING ON THE LEGAL SERVICE CORPORATION

H.R.4660 / The Commerce, Justice, Science, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015 / Austin Scott (GA) Amendment / House vote #253
Amendment offered by Congressman Austin Scott (GA) to completely eliminate the $350 million in the bill provided for the Legal Services Corporation, which provides legal aid to low-income Americans.
The A. Scott (GA) amendment failed on May 29, 2014, by a margin of 116 yeas to 290 nays.
<u>THE NAACP OPPOSED THE A. SCOTT (GA) AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.</u>

22. REDUCE FEDERAL SPENDING ON COMMUNITY BLOCK GRANTS

H.R.4745 / The Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015 / Broun (GA) Amendment / House vote #279
Amendment offered by Congressman Broun (GA) to reduce federal spending on the Community Development Block Grant program by $20 million. The Community Development Block Grant Program provides communities with resources to address a wide range of unique community development needs.
The Broun (GA) amendment failed on June 10, 2014, by a margin of 134 yeas to 288 nays.
<u>THE NAACP OPPOSED THE BROUN (GA) AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.</u>

23. REDUCE FEDERAL RENTAL ASSISTANCE

H.R.4745 / The Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015 / Broun (GA) Amendment / House vote #280
Amendment offered by Congressman Broun (GA) to reduce federal spending on Rental Housing Assistance by $7 million.
The Broun (GA) amendment failed on June 10, 2014, by a margin of 143 yeas to 283 nays.
<u>THE NAACP OPPOSED THE BROUN (GA) AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.</u>

24. PROHIBIT THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT FROM ENFORCING A RULE INTENDED TO ADDRESS DISCRIMINATION AND HISTORIC PATTERNS OF SEGREGATION AND TO PROMOTE FAIR HOUSING CHOICE

H.R.4745 / The Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2015 / Gosar (AZ) Amendment / House vote #285
Amendment offered by Congressman Gosar (AZ) to prohibit the Department of Housing and Urban Development from implementing, enforcing, or administering the "Affirmatively Furthering Fair Housing" rule, which is intended to address discrimination and historic patterns of segregation and to promote fair housing choice.
The Gosar (AZ) amendment passed on June 10, 2014, by a margin of 219 yeas to 207 nays, but the bill was not taken up by the Senate and thus the amendment was moot.
<u>THE NAACP OPPOSED THE GOSAR (AZ) AMENDMENT AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.</u>

25. VETERANS HEALTH CARE ACCESS

H.R. 4810 / The Veteran Access to Care Act of 2014 / Final Passage / House vote # 287
Final passage of the bill to require the Department of Veterans Affairs to provide hospital care and medical services at non-VA facilities for veterans who have waited for care longer than VA waitlist goals.
H.R. 4810 passed the US House on June 10, 2014, by a margin of 426 yeas to 0 nays and was then sent to the US Senate for consideration.
<u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE BILL AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.</u>

26. VETERANS BENEFITS

H.R. 3230 / The Veterans Access, Choice, and Accountability Act of 2014 Conference Report / Final Passage / House vote #467

Final passage of the final version of legislation to authorize $10 billion in emergency spending for care at non-Veterans Affairs facilities and allow veterans to obtain health care at such facilities if they live more than 40 miles from a VA clinic or can't get an appointment at a VA clinic within 30 days. It would provide $5 billion to hire more doctors, nurses and other health care professionals and would authorize leases for the opening of 27 new VA health facilities. It also would authorize the VA secretary to fire or demote VA Senior Executive Service employees based on their performance or misconduct.

H.R. 3230 passed the US House on July 30, 2014, by a margin of 420 yeas to 5 nays.
<u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE BILL AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.</u>

27. LITIGATION AGAINST THE PRESIDENT

H. Res. 676 / Final Passage / House vote #468

Final passage of a resolution that would authorize the speaker of the House to file a lawsuit in federal court on behalf of the House against the president and other administration officials for failing "to act in a manner consistent with that official's duties under the Constitution and laws of the United States."

H. Res. 676 passed the U.S. House on July 30, 2014, by a margin of 225 yeas to 201 nays.
<u>THE NAACP OPPOSED THE RESOLUTION AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.</u>

28. PROHIBITING THE ADMINISTRATION FROM DEFERRING THE DEPORTATION OF UNACCOMPANIED MINORS

H.R.5272 / Final Passage / House vote #579

Final passage of a bill to prohibit the Executive Branch from promulgating policies which would expand immigration relief to unaccompanied minors.

The bill passed the U.S. House on August 1, 2014, by a margin of 216 yeas to 192 nays.
<u>THE NAACP OPPOSED THE RESOLUTION AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.</u>

29. EQUAL PAY AND INCREASE IN THE MINIMUM WAGE

H. J. Res. 124 / Continuing Appropriations Resolution, 2015 / Motion to recommit / House vote #508

Motion to send the bill funding the federal government back to committee with instruction to report it back for consideration immediately by the full House of Representatives with an amendment which would prohibit pay discrimination based on gender and would increase the federal minimum wage to $10.10 an hour. It would also allow student loan debt to be refinanced at rates currently available.

The motion to recommit failed on Sept. 17, 2014, by a margin of 199 yeas to 228 nays.
<u>THE NAACP SUPPORTED THE MOTION TO RECOMMIT AND URGED A "YEA" VOTE.</u>

30. PROHIBITING AN EXECUTIVE ACTION

H.R. 5759 / Preventing Executive Overreach on Immigration Act of 2014 / Final Passage / House vote #550

Final passage of a bill which would prohibit the Executive Branch from issuing any order deferring the deportation of any immigrants considered to be in the U.S. unlawfully.

The bill passed the U.S. House on December 4, 2014, by a margin of 219 yeas to 197 nays.
<u>THE NAACP OPPOSED THE BILL AND URGED A "NAY" VOTE.</u>

	%	Grade
ALABAMA		
1 *Bonner*	I	I
(resigned 8/2/2013)		
1 *Byrne*	I	I
(1/8/2014 - present)		
2 *Roby*	27%	F
3 *Rogers, Mike*	17%	F
4 *Aderholt*	27%	F
5 *Brooks*	17%	F
6 *Bachus*	33%	F
7 Sewell	97%	A
ALASKA		
AL *Young, Don*	47%	F
ARIZONA		
1 Kirkpatrick	83%	B
2 Barber	87%	B
3 Grijalva	100%	A
4 *Gosar*	17%	F
5 *Salmon*	20%	F
6 *Schweikert*	17%	F
7 Pastor	100%	A
8 *Franks*	17%	F
9 Simena	87%	B
ARKANSAS		
1 *Crawford*	30%	F
2 *Griffen, Tim*	30%	F
3 *Womack*	30%	F
4 *Cotton*	20%	F
CALIFORNIA		
1 *LaMalfa*	17%	F
2 Huffman	100%	A
3 Garamendi	90%	A
4 *McClintock*	17%	F
5 Thompson	93%	A
6 Matsui	100%	A
7 Bera	87%	B
8 *Cook*	27%	F
9 McNerney	90%	A
10 *Denham*	33%	F
11 Miller, George	87%	B
12 Pelosi	93%	A

		%	1–30 (votes)	Grade
CALIFORNIA cont.				
13	Lee, Barbara	100%		A
14	Speier	93%		A
15	Swalwell	93%		A
16	Costa	80%		B
17	Honda	97%		A
18	Eshoo	97%		A
19	Lofgren	97%		A
20	Farr	97%		A
21	*Valadao*	43%		F
22	*Nunes*	30%		F
23	*McCarthy*	30%		F
24	Capps	90%		A
25	*McKeon*	40%		F
26	Brownley	93%		A
27	Chu	100%		A
28	Schiff	97%		A
29	Cardenas	100%		A
30	Sherman	97%		A
31	*Miller, Gary*	20%		F
32	Napolitano	100%		A
33	Waxman	97%		A
34	Becerra	100%		A
35	Negrete McLeod	77%		C
36	Ruiz	87%		B
37	Bass	93%		A
38	Sánchez, Linda	97%		A
39	*Royce*	20%		F
40	Roybal-Allard	100%		A
41	Takano	100%		A
42	*Calvert*	30%		F
43	Waters	97%		A
44	Hahn	100%		A
45	*Campbell*	13%		F
46	Sanchez, Loretta	93%		A
47	Lowenthal	100%		A
48	*Rohrabacher*	17%		F
49	*Issa*	23%		F
50	*Hunter*	20%		F
51	Vargas	100%		A
52	Peters	83%		B
53	Davis, Susan	90%		A
COLORADO				
1	DeGette	93%		A
2	Polis	87%		B
3	*Tipton*	23%		F
4	*Gardner*	37%		F
5	*Lamborn*	17%		F
6	*Coffman*	43%		F
7	Perlmutter	90%		A

	%	1–30	Grade
CONNECTICUT			
1 Larson, John	97%		A
2 Courtney	93%		A
3 DeLauro	97%		A
4 Himes	90%		A
5 Esty	93%		A
DELAWARE			
AL Carney	90%		A
FLORIDA			
1 Miller	17%		F
2 Southerland	20%		F
3 Yoho	17%		F
4 Crenshaw	37%		F
5 Brown	100%		A
6 DeSantis	17%		F
7 Mica	17%		F
8 Posey	17%		F
9 Grayson	97%		A
10 Webster	27%		F
11 Nugent	27%		F
12 Bilirakis	23%		F
13 Young (died on 10/18/2013)	I		I
13 Jolly (3/13/2014 - present)	I		I
14 Castor	93%		A
15 Ross	17%		F
16 Buchanan	30%		F
17 Rooney	20%		F
18 Murphy	83%		B
19 Radel (resigned 1/27/14)	I		I
19 Clawson (6/25/2014 - present)	I		I
20 Hastings, Alcee	87%		B
21 Deutch	97%		A
22 Frankel	97%		A
23 Wasserman Schultz	93%		A
24 Wilson	100%		A
25 Diaz-Balart	40%		F
26 Garcia	90%		A
27 Ros-Lehtinen	40%		F

	Member	%	Grade
GEORGIA			
1	*Kingston*	17%	F
2	Bishop, Sanford	90%	A
3	*Westmoreland*	17%	F
4	Johnson, Hank	97%	A
5	Lewis, John	90%	A
6	*Price, Tom*	17%	F
7	*Woodall*	17%	F
8	*Scott, Austin*	20%	F
9	*Collins*	20%	F
10	*Broun*	20%	F
11	*Gingrey*	23%	F
12	Barrow	63%	D
13	Scott, David	100%	A
14	*Graves*	17%	F
HAWAII			
1	Hanabusa	83%	B
2	Gabbard	93%	A
IDAHO			
1	*Labrador*	17%	F
2	*Simpson*	33%	F
ILLINOIS			
1	Rush	73%	C
2	VACANT	I	I
	(Cong. Jackson resigned 11/21/2012)		
2	Kelly	I	I
	(4/11/2013 - present)		
3	Lipinski	80%	B
4	Gutierrez	97%	A
5	Quigley	90%	A
6	*Roskam*	33%	F
7	Davis, Danny	97%	A
8	Duckworth	90%	A
9	Schakowsky	97%	A
10	Schneider	90%	A
11	Foster	87%	B
12	Enyart	87%	B
13	*Davis, Rodney*	47%	F
14	*Hultgren*	23%	F
15	*Shimkus*	40%	F
16	*Kinzinger*	43%	F
17	Bustos	87%	B
18	*Schock*	37%	F

	%	Grade
INDIANA		
1 Visclosky	90%	A
2 Walorski	23%	F
3 Stutzman	20%	F
4 Rokita	17%	F
5 Brooks	33%	F
6 Messer	27%	F
7 Carson, André	97%	A
8 Bucshon	30%	F
9 Young, Todd	30%	F
IOWA		
1 Braley	93%	A
2 Loebsack	93%	A
3 Latham	37%	F
4 King, Steve	17%	F
KANSAS		
1 Huelskamp	17%	F
2 Jenkins	23%	F
3 Yoder	27%	F
4 Pompeo	13%	F
KENTUCKY		
1 Whitfield	27%	F
2 Guthrie	30%	F
3 Yarmuth	100%	A
4 Massie	33%	F
5 Rogers, Harold	30%	F
6 Barr	27%	F
LOUISIANA		
1 Scalise	17%	F
2 Richmond	100%	A
3 Boustany	33%	F
4 Fleming	17%	F
5 Alexander (resigned 9/27/2013)	I	I
5 McAllister (11/21/2013 - 1/3/2014)	I	I
6 Cassidy	23%	F
MAINE		
1 Pingree	100%	A
2 Michaud	90%	A

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	%	1-30 (votes)	Grade
MARYLAND			
1 Harris	17%		F
2 Ruppersberger	90%		A
3 Sarbanes	97%		A
4 Edwards, Donna	100%		A
5 Hoyer	100%		A
6 Delaney	90%		A
7 Cummings	100%		A
8 Van Hollen	100%		A
MASSACHUSETTS			
1 Neal	100%		A
2 McGovern	100%		A
3 Tsongas	100%		A
4 Kennedy	93%		A
5 Markey (resigned 7/15/2013)	I		I
5 Clark, Katherine (12/12/2013 - present)	I		I
6 Tierney	93%		A
7 Capuano	100%		A
8 Lynch	87%		B
9 Keating	93%		A
MICHIGAN			
1 Benishek	27%		F
2 Huizenga	17%		F
3 Amash	20%		F
4 Camp	30%		F
5 Kildee	93%		A
6 Upton	40%		F
7 Walberg	17%		F
8 Rogers	30%		F
9 Levin, Sander	97%		A
Miller	27%		F
11 Bentivolio	17%		F
12 Dingell	87%		B
13 Conyers	100%		A
14 Peters	93%		A

	%	1–30 (votes)	Grade
MINNESOTA			
1 Walz	87%		B
2 Kline	23%		F
3 Paulsen	27%		F
4 McCollum	100%		A
5 Ellison	100%		A
6 Bachmann	20%		F
7 Peterson	67%		D
8 Nolan	100%		A
MISSISSIPPI			
1 Nunnelee	10%		F
2 Thompson	100%		A
3 Harper	37%		F
4 Palazzo	17%		F
MISSOURI			
1 Clay	93%		A
2 Wagner	20%		F
3 Luetkemeyer	27%		F
4 Hartzler	17%		F
5 Cleaver	93%		A
6 Graves	23%		F
7 Long	17%		F
8 Emerson (resigned 1/22/2013)	I		I
8 Smith, Jason (6/5/2013 - present)	I		I
MONTANA			
AL Daines	30%		F
NEBRASKA			
1 Fortenberry	33%		F
2 Terry	30%		F
3 Smith, Adrian	17%		F
NEVADA			
1 Titus	93%		A
2 Amodei	30%		F
3 Heck	43%		F
4 Horsford	97%		A
NEW HAMPSHIRE			
1 Shea-Porter	93%		A
2 Kuster	93%		A

	%	1-30 (Votes)	Grade
NEW JERSEY			
1 Andrews	I		I
(resigned 2/18/14)			
1 Norcross	I		I
(11/12/2014 - present)			
2 LoBiondo	53%		F
3 Runyan	50%		F
4 Smith, Chris	43%		F
5 Garrett	20%		F
6 Pallone	97%		A
7 Lance	37%		F
8 Sires	93%		A
9 Pascrell	100%		A
10 Payne	100%		A
11 Frelinghuysen	30%		F
12 Holt	97%		A
NEW MEXICO			
1 Lujan Grisham	93%		A
2 Pearce	30%		F
3 Luján	100%		A
NEW YORK			
1 Bishop, Tim	93%		A
2 King, Peter	43%		F
3 Isreal	100%		A
4 McCarthy, Carolyn	57%		F
5 Meeks	97%		A
6 Meng	97%		A
7 Velázquez	100%		A
8 Jeffries	97%		A
9 Clarke, Yvette	100%		A
10 Nadler	97%		A
11 Grimm	53%		F
12 Maloney, Carolyn	90%		A
13 Rangel	97%		A
14 Crowley	100%		A
15 Serrano	100%		A
16 Engel	90%		A
17 Lowey	93%		A
18 Maloney, Sean P.	90%		A
19 Gibson	53%		F
20 Tonko	100%		A
21 Owens	83%		B

		%	1–30 (votes)	Grade
NEW YORK, continued				
22	Hanna	47%		F
23	Reed	33%		F
24	Maffei	90%		A
25	Slaughter	93%		A
26	Higgins	100%		A
27	Collins	23%		F
NORTH CAROLINA				
1	Butterfield	97%		A
2	Ellmers	23%		F
3	Jones, Walter	27%		F
4	Price, David	100%		A
5	Foxx	17%		F
6	Coble	20%		F
7	McIntyre	63%		D
8	Hudson	17%		F
9	Pittenger	23%		F
10	McHenry	23%		F
11	Meadows	20%		F
12	Watt (resigned 1/6/2014)	I		I
12	Adams, Alma (11/12/2014 - present)	I		I
13	Holding	17%		F
NORTH DAKOTA				
AL	Cramer	30%		F
OHIO				
1	Chabot	17%		F
2	Wenstrup	17%		F
3	Beatty	100%		A
4	Jordan	17%		F
5	Latta	17%		F
6	Johnson, Bill	23%		F
7	Gibbs	30%		F
8	Boehner	S		S
9	Kaptur	100%		A
10	Turner	37%		F
11	Fudge	100%		A
12	Tiberi	30%		F
13	Ryan	93%		A
14	Joyce	43%		F
15	Stivers	40%		F
16	Renacci	33%		F

	%	Grade
OKLAHOMA		
1 Bridenstine	17%	F
2 Mullin	17%	F
3 Lucas	23%	F
4 Cole	33%	F
5 Lankford	13%	F
OREGON		
1 Bonamici	93%	A
2 Walden	33%	F
3 Blumenauer	97%	A
4 DeFazio	97%	A
5 Schrader	80%	B
PENNSYLVANIA		
1 Brady, Robert	97%	A
2 Fattah	97%	A
3 Kelly	30%	F
4 Perry	20%	F
5 Thompson, Glenn	37%	F
6 Gerlach	43%	F
7 Meehan	50%	F
8 Fitzpatrick	47%	F
9 Shuster	33%	F
10 Marino	27%	F
11 Barletta	40%	F
12 Rothfus	23%	F
13 Schwartz	80%	B
14 Doyle	97%	A
15 Dent	37%	F
16 Pitts	17%	F
17 Cartwright	97%	A
18 Murphy, Timothy	33%	F
RHODE ISLAND		
1 Cicilline	100%	A
2 Langevin	93%	A

	%	Grade
SOUTH CAROLINA		
1 *Scott, Tim*	I	I
(resigned 1/2/2013)		
1 *Sanford*	I	I
(5/15/2013 - present)		
2 *Wilson, Joe*	13%	F
3 *Duncan*	17%	F
4 *Gowdy*	20%	F
5 *Mulvaney*	17%	F
6 Clyburn	93%	A
7 *Rice*	17%	F
SOUTH DAKOTA		
AL *Noem*	23%	F
TENNESSEE		
1 *Roe*	23%	F
2 *Duncan, John Jr.*	20%	F
3 *Fleischmann*	20%	F
4 *DesJarlais*	13%	F
5 Cooper	93%	A
6 *Black, Diane*	17%	F
7 *Blackburn, Marsha*	17%	F
8 *Fincher*	20%	F
9 Cohen	100%	A
TEXAS		
1 *Gohmert*	27%	F
2 *Poe*	23%	F
3 *Johnson, Sam*	17%	F
4 *Hall, Ralph*	17%	F
5 *Hensarling*	17%	F
6 *Barton*	17%	F
7 *Culberson*	27%	F
8 *Brady, Kevin*	17%	F
9 Green, Al	93%	A
10 *McCaul*	23%	F
11 *Conaway*	17%	F
12 *Granger*	20%	F
13 *Thornberry*	17%	F
14 *Weber*	17%	F
15 Hinojosa	87%	B
16 O'Rourke	97%	A

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TEXAS, cont.			
17 Flores	13%		F
18 Jackson-Lee	90%		A
19 Neugebauer	17%		F
20 Castro	93%		A
21 Smith, Lamar	20%		F
22 Olson	23%		F
23 Gallego	87%		B
24 Marchant	17%		F
25 Williams	17%		F
26 Burgess	23%		F
27 Farenthold	23%		F
28 Cuellar	77%		C
29 Green, Gene	90%		A
30 Johnson, Eddie B.	97%		A
31 Carter	20%		F
32 Sessions	23%		F
33 Veasey	97%		A
34 Vela	97%		A
35 Doggett	97%		A
36 Stockman	17%		F
UTAH			
1 Bishop, Rob	17%		F
2 Stewart	20%		F
3 Chaffetz	17%		F
4 Matheson	70%		C
VERMONT			
AL Welch	100%		A

Representative	%	Grade
VIRGINIA		
1 Wittman	23%	F
2 Rigell	27%	F
3 Scott, Robert	100%	A
4 Forbes	23%	F
5 Hurt	17%	F
6 Goodlatte	17%	F
7 Cantor (resigned 8/18/14)	I	I
7 Brat (11/12/14 - present)	I	I
8 Moran, James P.	100%	A
9 Griffith, Morgan	23%	F
10 Wolf	37%	F
11 Connolly	97%	A
WASHINGTON		
1 DelBene	90%	A
2 Larsen, Rick	90%	A
3 Herrera Beutler	27%	F
4 Hastings, Doc	27%	F
5 McMorris Rodgers	27%	F
6 Kilmer	93%	A
7 McDermott	97%	A
8 Reichert	50%	F
9 Smith, Adam	97%	A
10 Heck	93%	A
WEST VIRGINIA		
1 McKinley	37%	F
2 Capito	37%	F
3 Rahall	80%	B
WISCONSIN		
1 Ryan, Paul	23%	F
2 Pocan	100%	A
3 Kind	93%	A
4 Moore, Gwen	100%	A
5 Sensenbrenner	17%	F
6 Petri	20%	F
7 Duffy	27%	F
8 Ribble	20%	F
WYOMING		
AL Lummis	20%	F