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NORTH DAKOTA WILDLIFE FEDERATION

# LEGISLATIVE VOTING RECORD



## **What makes a legislative voting record so important? Accountability.**

Few public institutions are more important than legislatures. Whether it is Congress, a state legislature, city council, or school board, legislative bodies have the power to impact our lives in profound ways. Representatives are chosen by the public to decide on its behalf the policies we live by and to act in the best interests of their constituents.

In doing so, representatives are accountable to their constituents for their actions. Accountability is impossible, however, without adequate information about legislative performance, an essential part of democratic governance.

Conversely, voting records can also be used by legislators to improve their performance.

That is the purpose of NDWF's legislative voting record: to arm you with information for legislative accountability and improve the performance of the North Dakota legislature for issues important to the outdoors community. Ultimately, it is up to you to examine the information and act in a way you believe necessary. Consider sharing this document with like-minded individuals.



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## To maximize accountability, NDWF's breath of legislative work is much more than this document.

A voting record is important for educating the public on legislation impacting fish, wildlife, public lands, and sporting opportunity, but it is only one component of a fully integrated legislative advocacy program employed by NDWF.

Of course, a lobbyist is key, and NDWF has registered lobbyists, but lobbying is only a discussion with a lawmaker in hopes of persuading a vote. A lawmaker rarely decides a vote based on requests from a single person. There must be backing for such requests and there are several ways NDWF does this:

**Prove social support for a vote.** NDWF speaks as a unified voice of 15 affiliate groups and thousands of members and supports. Those numbers carry weight!

**Elevate the topic publicly.** Using social and traditional media outlets, NDWF ensures sportsman issues and legislation receive maximum exposure so lawmakers understand the importance of the vote and that people are watching.

**Provide direct advocacy opportunity.** Our email and petition software gives North Dakotans the ability to easily express their views directly to legislators.

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## About the Voting Record

The Legislative Voting Record is a compilation of how North Dakota state legislators voted on key issues during the 2019 Legislative Session. It is meant to provide information for the public on where legislators stand on issues impacting hunters and anglers, wildlife, habitat, public land and access. This report uses the vote on a given bill that is most reflective of a legislator's stance on the issue. Support for or opposition to any given bill is not intended to provide an endorsement or rejection of any state legislator.



# House Votes

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Adams	43	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Anderson, B	2	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Anderson, D	6	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Anderson, P	41	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y
Becker	7	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Bellew	38	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N
Beltz	20	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Boe	9	Y	A	N	N	A	N
Bosch	30	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Boschee	44	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Brandenburg	28	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Buffalo	27	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N
Christensen	24	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N
Cory	42	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Damschen	10	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Delzer	8	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N
Devlin	23	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Dobervich	11	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Dockter	7	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Ertelt	26	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N
Fegley	4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Fisher	5	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Guggisberg	11	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Hager	21	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Hagert	20	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Hanson	44	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Hatlestad	1	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Hauck	36	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Headland	29	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Heinert	32	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Hoverson	3	N	N	A	N	Y	N
Howe	22	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Ista	43	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Johnson, D	15	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Johnson, M	45	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y

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Kading	45	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N
Karls	35	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Kasper	46	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Keiser	47	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Kempenich	39	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Kiefert	24	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Klemin	47	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Koppelman	16	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Kreidt	33	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Lefor	37	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Longmuir	2	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Louser	5	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Magrum	28	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Marschall	16	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Martinson	35	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Meier	32	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Mitskog	25	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y
Mock	18	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Monson	10	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Nathe	30	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Nehring	8	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Nelson, J	14	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Nelson, M	9	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N
O'Brien	42	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	A
Ostlie	12	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Owens	17	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Paulson	3	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Paur	19	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N
Pollert	29	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Porter	34	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Pyle	22	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y
Richter	1	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Roers Jones	46	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y

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Ruby, D	38	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Ruby, M	40	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Sanford	17	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Satrom	12	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Schatz	36	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Schauer	13	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Schmidt	31	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Schneider	21	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Schobinger	40	Y	Y	N	Y	A	N
Schreiber-Beck	25	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	A
Simons*	36	*	*	*	N	Y	*
Skroch	26	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Steiner	37	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Stemen	27	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Strinden	41	Y	Y	N	Y	A	N
Thomas	6	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Toman	34	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Trottier	19	A	A	N	Y	Y	N
Tveit	33	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Vetter	18	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N
Vigesaa	23	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N
Weisz	14	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Westlind	15	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N
Zubke	39	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N

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Bekkedahl	1	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
Bell	33	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
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Conley	12	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
Davison	41	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
Dever	32	N	N	N	N	Y	Y
Dwyer	47	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
Elkin	36	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
Erbele	28	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
Fors	19	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
Heckaman	23	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
Heitkamp	26	Y	Y	N	N	N	N
Hogan	21	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Hogue	38	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
Holmberg	17	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Kannianen	4	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
Klein	14	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Krebsbach	40	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
Kreun	42	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Larsen, D	34	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N
Larsen, O	3	N	N	N	N	N	N
Larson	30	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Lee	13	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Lemm	20	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Luick	25	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Marcellais	9	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y
Mathern	11	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
Meyer	18	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y
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Roers, K	27	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Rust	2	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
Schaible	31	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Sorvaag	45	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Vedaa	6	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y
Wanzek	29	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
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Weber	22	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y
Wobbema	24	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y

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**Add your voice to the cause by becoming a member.**

**JOIN NDWF**

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