

Our vote chart follows seven key public interest votes considered in the Oregon legislature during the 2013 legislative session. The State Senate recorded votes on seven of these bills, the House of Representatives recorded votes on six. To read full bill language for any of these bills, visit <https://olis.leg.state.or.us>, click on "bills" and enter the bill number. To find your legislators, go to: <http://www.leg.state.or.us/findlegsltr/>

### VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

**1. House Joint Memorial 6—End big money in politics:** The passage of this memorial put Oregon on record against Citizen's United and urges Congress to propose constitutional amendment to limit certain political contributions.

**2. House Bill 2460—Cut offshore tax haven abuse:** The passage of this bill means that corporations that file an Oregon tax return and have income in tax haven countries must include the income from those countries in their Oregon taxable income. Applies to tax years beginning on or after January 1, 2014. This will result in \$18 million staying in Oregon in 2014, and more in subsequent years.

**3. Senate Bill 413—Greater scrutiny of health insurance rate hikes:** If passed, this bill would have strengthened accountability for Oregon health insurers by making the state's process for reviewing rates more transparent and effective at pushing insurers to cut waste. It also would have made it easier for consumers to receive notification about rate hikes that affect them. After passing the House with bipartisan support, the bill faced furious opposition from the insurance lobby and was voted down in the Senate.

**4. House Bill 2118—Strengthening Oregon's Health Insurance Exchange:** The passage of this bill will help make Oregon's new marketplace for health insurance—called Cover Oregon—more consumer-friendly by providing more tools to help identify the best coverage at the best price. The bill will create a task force to make recommendations for strengthening Cover Oregon's quality measures to better inform consumers.

**5. House Bill 2370—Government transparency:** The passage of this bill mandated that additional information be added to the Oregon transparency website, including information about the Oregon New Markets Tax Credit and Enterprise Zones. This will result in the public having a more complete picture of how public dollars are spent.

**6. Senate Bill 414—Protecting consumers from insurance fraud:** The passage of this bill empowers Oregon's consumer watchdog agency to compel insurers to provide restitution when consumers are harmed by their insurance company, such as when claims are improperly denied. Previously, the agency could only investigate complaints against insurers and was limited in its ability to act as an advocate when consumers were defrauded or otherwise harmed.

**7. Senate Bill 633—Anti-local democracy:** If passed, this bill would have restricted local governments from passing consumer protections related to agriculture, including genetically modified organisms. This bill passed through the Senate, and was not held for a vote in the House.

### STATE SENATE

| Senator                   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|---------------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Herman Baertschiger       | - | + | - | + | + | - | - |
| Alan Bates                | + | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Lee Beyer                 | + | + | + | + | + | + | - |
| Brian Boquist             | - | + | - | - | + | - | - |
| Ginny Burdick             | + | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Betsy Close               | + | + | - | + | + | - | - |
| Peter Courtney            | + | + | + | + | + | + | - |
| Richard Devlin            | + | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Jackie Dingfelder         | + | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Chris Edwards             | + | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Ted Ferrioli              | - | + | - | + | + | - | - |
| Larry George              | - | + | - | - | + | + | - |
| Fred Girod                | - | E | - | + | + | - | - |
| Bill Hansell              | - | + | - | + | + | + | - |
| Mark Hass                 | + | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Betsy Johnson             | + | E | - | + | + | E | E |
| Tim Knopp                 | - | + | - | + | + | - | - |
| Jeff Kruse                | - | + | - | + | + | - | - |
| Laurie Monnes Anderson    | + | + | - | + | + | + | + |
| Rod Monroe                | + | + | - | + | + | + | + |
| Alan Olsen                | - | + | - | + | + | - | - |
| Floyd Prozanski           | + | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Arnie Roblan              | + | + | + | + | + | + | - |
| Diane Rosenbaum           | + | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Chip Shields              | + | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Bruce Starr               | - | + | - | - | + | + | - |
| Elizabeth Steiner Hayward | + | + | - | + | + | + | + |
| Chuck Thomsen             | - | + | - | - | + | - | - |
| Doug Whitsett             | - | + | - | + | + | - | - |
| Jackie Winters            | - | + | - | + | + | + | - |

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## HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

| Representative   | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
|------------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Jules Bailey     | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Jeff Barker      | + | E | + | + | + | + |
| Phil Barnhart    | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Brent Barton     | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Cliff Bentz      | + | + | - | - | + | + |
| Vicki Berger     | + | + | - | - | + | + |
| Deborah Boone    | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Peter Buckley    | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Kevin Cameron    | - | + | - | + | + | + |
| Brian Clem       | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Jason Conger     | + | + | - | - | + | - |
| John Davis       | + | + | - | - | + | + |
| Michael Dembrow  | + | + | E | + | + | + |
| Margaret Doherty | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Sal Esquivel     | - | + | - | + | + | + |
| Shemia Fagen     | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Lew Frederick    | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Tim Freeman      | - | + | - | + | + | - |
| Joe Gallegos     | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Chris Garrett    | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Sarah Gelser     | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Vic Gilliam      | + | + | - | - | + | - |
| David Gomberg    | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Chris Gorsek     | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Mitch Greenlick  | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Bruce Hanna      | E | + | - | + | + | - |
| Chris Harker     | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Wally Hicks      | + | + | - | - | + | + |
| Paul Holvey      | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Val Hoyle        | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| John Huffman     | - | + | - | + | + | - |
| Bob Jenson       | - | + | + | + | + | + |

| Representative        | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
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| Mark Johnson          | + | + | - | - | + | + |
| Bill Kennemer         | + | + | - | - | + | + |
| Alissa Keny-Guyer     | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Betty Komp            | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Tina Kotek            | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Wayne Krieger         | - | + | - | + | + | + |
| John Lively           | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Greg Matthews         | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Caddy McKeown         | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Mike McLane           | - | + | - | - | + | + |
| Nancy Nathanson       | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Andy Olson            | + | + | - | - | + | + |
| Julie Parrish         | - | + | - | - | + | - |
| Tobias Read           | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Jeff Reardon          | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Dennis Richardson     | + | + | + | + | + | - |
| Greg Smith            | - | E | + | + | + | + |
| Sherrie Sprenger      | + | + | - | - | + | + |
| Kim Thatcher          | + | + | - | - | + | - |
| Jim Thompson          | - | + | - | + | + | - |
| Carolyn Tomei         | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Ben Unger             | + | + | + | E | + | + |
| Jessica Vega Pederson | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Jim Weidner           | + | + | - | - | + | - |
| Gene Whisnant         | + | + | - | - | + | - |
| Gail Whitsett         | - | + | - | - | + | - |
| Jennifer Williamson   | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| Brad Witt             | + | + | + | + | + | + |

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