

AMERICANS FOR PROSPERITY

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AFP's Mission

Americans for Prosperity (AFP) is committed to educating citizens about economic policy and mobilizing those citizens as advocates in the public policy process. AFP is an organization of grassroots leaders who engage citizens in the name of limited government and free markets on the local, state and federal levels. The grassroots members of AFP advocate for public policies that champion the principles of entrepreneurship and fiscal and regulatory restraint.

Message from AFP State Director

I want to thank you for being part of Americans for Prosperity in Wisconsin and supporting policies that promote the free-market. Together, we can assure, that as the nation's fastest growing grassroots organization, we can more effectively continue to educate and mobilize fellow citizens around policies that reign in government spending, growth and regulation.

Wisconsin is known for policy innovation – spearheading welfare reform and school choice reform. AFP is committed to organizing grassroots activists in Wisconsin to advocate for smaller, more responsible government, less taxation – the next great innovation for our state. AFP's 2008 Legislative Score Card will allow you to track legislation that is consistent with our mission; and more importantly, provide you with a tool to review how your state representative and senator voted on important free-market issues. By using this important information, you are truly taking the first steps in becoming a leader in the real free-market movement in Wisconsin.

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Report Card Key

Percentages are based on actual votes taken, not on the number of bills listed.

AFP Position = Preferred position taken by Americans for Prosperity.

Y = Voted in favor of the legislation.

N = Voted in opposition to the legislation.

NV = Not Voting

A 70% or higher

B 60% - 69%

C 50% - 59%

D 25% - 49%

F 24% or lower

"Taxpayer's Friend"

"Good"

"Satisfactory"

"Poor"

"Big Spender"

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ASSEMBLY VOTE EXPLANATIONS

Government Checkbook and Disclosure Act:

Assembly Bill 862 (Kramer) ■ Vote on Passage is Yes

AFP strongly supported the government checkbook and disclosure act. AB 862 requires the Department of Administration to create a database and website of state expenditures over \$100.00 so taxpayers can see exactly where their dollars are being spent. It also requires state agency grants and contracts to be available for inspection through the internet by 2009. AB 862 would have provided a comprehensive, searchable online database with familiar technology, for all citizens to utilize in order to allow taxpayers to review propose more effective or efficient uses of their tax dollars. AB 862 passed the Assembly, but failed to pass the Senate.

Biennial Budget:

Senate Bill 40 (Doyle/Assembly) ■ Vote on Passage is Yes

Governor Doyle introduced SB 40 with tax and fee increases totaling more than \$1.74 billion. This included a gross receipts tax on oil companies, hospital tax increases, real estate transfer fee increases, and cigarette tax increases. Furthermore a \$1.2 billion property tax increase was also included. The Assembly removed Governor Doyle's enormous tax increases and passed many free market provisions in their version of the budget, including HSAs, workplace wellness credits, investment tax credits, among others. ASA 1 to SB 40 passed the Assembly, but failed to pass the Senate. The budget conference report passed both houses of the Legislature. It was vetoed in part and signed into law as 2007 Wisconsin Act 20.

Education Tax Credits:

Assembly Bill 67 (Zipperer) ■ Vote on Passage is Yes

AB 67 creates a corporate income tax credit for businesses to claim for the tuition they pay for their employees to attend a university, college or technical college. The individual's taxable income must not be more than 185% of the federal poverty level. AFP supports businesses educating their workforce and providing incentives for them. It is in everyone's interest to have a well-educated, highly skilled workforce in order to compete in a global economy; and to ensure the prosperity of families and communities. AB 67 passed the Assembly, but failed to pass the Senate.

Requiring Public Schools to Teach about Organized Labor:

Senate Bill 108 (Hansen) ■ Vote to suspend Assembly Rules is No

SB 108 would mandate every public school in Wisconsin teach the history of organized labor in America and the collective bargaining process. AFP opposes mandates. They typically cost taxpayers more money and always set a bad precedent. School districts need the flexibility to determine their curriculum within a broad set of guidelines. SB 108 passed the Senate and was defeated in the Assembly.

Health Savings Accounts (HSAs):

Assembly Bill 47 (Kaufert) ■ Vote on Passage is Yes

AB 47 adopts the federal provisions that allow citizens to deduct state income contributions from taxes used for Health Savings Accounts. HSAs are a unique form of health insurance that combines high deductible health insurance plans with a healthcare savings vehicle, the HSA. Dollars in an HSA can be used to cover a patient's out-of-pocket medical expenses, including costs not covered by an insurer, extended coverage, or other expenses. AFP has long supported HSAs as a tool to be used to control health care costs and promote consumer approaches to health care coverage. AB 47 passed the Assembly, but failed to pass the Senate.

Health Care Transparency:

Assembly Bill 872 (Vukmir) ■ Vote on Passage is Yes

AB 872 adopts the core principle of consumerism to shift responsibility for health care decisions back to consumers. To accomplish this, consumers need information about the true quality and costs of health care and medical procedures and Assembly Bill 872 brings about disclosure of health care information. AFP supports consumer driven health care approaches as a way to reduce health care costs. AB 872 passed the Assembly, but failed to pass the Senate.

ASSEMBLY VOTE EXPLANATIONS

Contracting Privately for Health Care:

Assembly Joint Resolution 106 (Vukmir) ■ Vote on Passage is Yes

AJR 106 would allow voters to amend the Constitution in order to give people the right to contract privately for health care services rather than being forced to accept state mandated health care coverage. AFP opposes government run health care and the enormous tax increases needed to support it; and strongly supports AJR 106. Government run health care leads to higher taxes and rationing of health care services. AJR 106 passed the Assembly, but failed to pass the Senate.

Records of Pupils in the Parental School Choice Program:

Senate Bill 349 (Taylor) ■ Vote on Suspending Assembly Rules is No

SB 349 mandates that schools participating in the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program maintain extensive educational, extra-curricular and medical records on students; and requires choice schools to transfer these records within five days upon request. AFP opposes SB 349 because it infringes on the rights of choice schools to determine their rules and protocols for these procedures. It threatens excessive entanglement between secular and religious bodies. SB 349 passed the Senate, but was defeated in the Assembly.

Lifting the Ban on Nuclear Power Plant Construction:

Assembly Bill 346 (Leg. Council) ■ Vote on Passage is Yes

AB 346 repeals the nuclear moratorium statute, that is, the ban on constructing nuclear power plants in Wisconsin. AFP supports the use of nuclear power as an additional power source for citizens and businesses. Nuclear power is the cleanest source of power available and is used extensively around the world. AB 346 passed the Assembly, but failed to pass the Senate.

Delaying Smart Growth:

Assembly Bill 718 (M. Williams) ■ Vote on Passage is Yes

Under current law, local units of government must have a comprehensive plan that includes certain elements such as housing, government, economic development, transportation and utilities. As of 2010, these plans must also include zoning and mapping of shore lands and wetlands in shore lands. AB 718 delays the effective date to January 1, 2015. AFP opposes over-regulatory approaches to community planning and AB 718 would have provided needed flexibility for smaller communities. AB 718 passed the Assembly, but failed to pass the Senate.

Greenhouse Gas Emissions:

Assembly Bill 157 (Black) ■ Vote to Suspend Assembly Rules is No

AB 157 requires the Department of Natural Resources to approve a plan to reduce greenhouse gas emissions (carbon dioxide) in Wisconsin by January 2010 regardless of where the emissions originate. AFP opposes AB 157 because it will have no effect on global greenhouse gases and global temperature. It will increase costs and regulatory burdens on industry without providing strategies to lower CO2 output – there are only mandated emission caps that can be accomplished through credits, not emission reductions. The Assembly rejected a motion to allow a vote on AB 157.

Punitive Damages Created under the Fair Employment Act

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REPRESENTATIVE	DISTRICT														
Albers, Sheryl [R]	50	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Ballweg, Joan [R]	41	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Benedict, Chuck [D]	45	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	8%	F
Berceau, Terese [D]	76	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	0%	F
Bies, Garey [R]	1	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Black, Spencer [D]	77	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	0%	F
Boyle, Frank [D]	73	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	17%	F
Colon, Pedro [D]	8	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	25%	D
Cullen, David [D]	13	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	17%	F
Davis, Brett [R]	80	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Fields, Jason [D]	11	Y	N	NV	NV	NV	NV	N	Y	NV	N	Y	Y	14%	F
Fitzgerald, Jeff [R]	39	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Friske, Donald [R]	35	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Garthwaite, Phil [D]	49	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	42%	D
Gottlieb, Mark [R]	60	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Grigsby, Tamara [D]	18	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	8%	F
Gronemus, Barbara [D]	91	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%	F
Gunderson, Scott [R]	83	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Gundrum, Mark [R]	84	NV	Y	NV	NV	NV	NV	NV	NV	NV	NV	NV	NV	100%	A
Hahn, Eugene [R]	47	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Hebl, Gary [D]	46	N	N	NV	NV	NV	NV	N	Y	NV	N	Y	Y	0%	F
Hilgenberg, Steve [D]	51	Y	NV	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	27%	D
Hines, J. [R]	42	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Hintz, Gordon [D]	54	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	17%	F
Hixson, Kim [D]	43	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	25%	D
Honadel, Mark [R]	21	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A

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Hraychuck, Ann [D]	28	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	42%	D
Hubler, Mary [D]	75	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	33%	D
Huebsch, Michael [R]	94	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Jeskewitz, Suzanne [R]	24	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Jorgensen, Andy [D]	37	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	33%	D
Kaufert, Dean [R]	55	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Kerkman, Samantha [R]	66	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Kessler, Frederick [D]	12	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	8%	F
Kestell, Steve [R]	27	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	92%	A
Kleefisch, Joel [R]	38	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Kramer, Bill [R]	97	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Kreuser, James [D]	64	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	25%	D
Krusick, Peggy [D]	7	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	25%	D
Lasee, Frank [R]	2	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	92%	A
LeMahieu, Daniel [R]	59	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Lothian, Thomas [R]	32	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Mason, Cory [D]	62	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	25%	D
Meyer, Dan [R]	34	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Molepske, Jr., Louis [D]	71	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	33%	D
Montgomery, Phil [R]	4	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Moulton, Terry [R]	68	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Mursau, Jeffrey [R]	36	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Murtha, John [R]	29	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Musser, Terry [R]	92	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Nass, Stephen [R]	31	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Nelson, Tom [D]	5	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	25%	D

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Nerison, Lee [R]	96	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Newcomer, Scott [R]	33	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Nygren, John [R]	89	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Ott, Alvin [R]	3	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Ott, Jim [R]	23	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Owens, Carol [R]	53	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Parisi, Joe [D]	48	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	0%	F
Petersen, Kevin [R]	40	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Petrowski, Jerry [R]	86	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Pocan, Mark [D]	78	N	NV	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	0%	F
Pope-Roberts, Sondy [D]	79	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	0%	F
Pridemore, Don [R]	99	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Rhoades, Kitty [R]	30	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Richards, Jon [D]	19	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	8%	F
Roth, Roger [R]	56	NV	Y	NV	NV	NV	NV	Y	N	NV	NV	NV	NV	100%	A
Schneider, Marlin [D]	72	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	8%	F
Seidel, Donna [D]	85	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	17%	F
Sheridan, Mike [D]	44	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	25%	D
Sherman, Gary [D]	74	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	17%	F
Shilling, Jennifer [D]	95	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	25%	D
Sinicki, Christine [D]	20	N	NV	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	0%	F
Smith, Jeff [D]	93	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	17%	D
Soletski, James [D]	88	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	33%	D
Staskunas, Tony [D]	15	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	25%	D
Steinbrink, John [D]	65	Y	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	33%	D
Stone, Jeff [R]	82	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A

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Strachota, Pat [R]	58	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Suder, Scott [R]	69	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Tauchen, Gary [R]	6	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Toles, Barbara [D]	17	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	0%	F
Townsend, John [R]	52	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Travis, David [D]	81	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	8%	F
Turner, Robert [D]	61	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	8%	F
Van Akkeren, Terry [D]	26	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	NV	NV	N	N	Y	Y	20%	F
Van Roy, Karl [R]	90	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Vos, Robin [R]	63	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Vruwink, Amy [D]	70	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	17%	F
Vukmir, Leah [R]	14	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Wasserman, Sheldon [D]	22	Y	N	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	25%	D
Wieckert, Steve [R]	57	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Williams, Annette [D]	10	N	NV	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	9%	F
Williams, Mary [R]	87	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A
Wood, Jeffrey [R]	67	Y	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	92%	A
Young, Leon [D]	16	N	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	0%	F
Zepnick, Josh [D]	9	Y	N	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	Y	8%	F
Ziegelbauer, Robert [D]	25	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	75%	A
Zipperer, Rich [R]	98	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	N	N	100%	A

----- SENATE VOTE EXPLANATIONS

Biennial Budget

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School Prep Time as Mandatory Subject of Bargaining:

Senate Bill 243 (Erpenbach) ■ Vote on Passage is No

SB 243 would mandate that the time teachers spend preparing for class, such as time for lesson plans, educational materials and labs be included as a mandatory subject of collective bargaining. Currently, only wages, hours and conditions of employment are mandatory subjects of bargaining. AFP strongly opposes policies that infringe on free market ideas, which the entire collective bargaining process does. SB 243 makes the current policy worse and will definitely drive educational costs even higher for the taxpayer who cannot afford more educational funding. SB 243 passed the Senate, but was defeated in the Assembly.

Mandatory Minimum Wage Increase:

Senate Bill 130 (Decker) ■ Vote on Passage is No

SB 130 increases the minimum wage to \$7.25/hour from \$6.50 and annually indexes increases beginning in September of 2008. AFP opposes mandatory minimum wage increases and believes the market should determine hourly wages. The majority of Wisconsin businesses pay above the minimum wage and generally those paying minimum wage are entry level positions for individuals beginning their work experience. SB 130 passed the Senate, but was defeated in the Assembly.

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Licensure Requirements for School Choice Teachers

Senate Bill 486 (Taylor) ■ Vote on Passage is No

SB 486 requires licensure of instructional staff for private schools participating in the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program teachers by the Department of Public Instruction. AFP opposes SB 486 because the comprehensive requirements contained in the bill threaten excessive entanglement by enacting detailed monitoring between secular and religious bodies. Currently, MPCP has as private system in place to ensure teacher quality and standards. SB 486 passed the Senate, but was defeated in the Assembly.

SENATE REPORT CARD

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SENATOR	DISTRICT									
Breske, Roger [D]	12	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Carpenter, Tim [D]	3	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Coggs, Spencer [D]	6	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Cowles, Robert [R]	2	N	N	N	N	N	Y	N	86%	A
Darling, Alberta [R]	8	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	100%	A
Decker, Russell [D]	29	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Ellis, Michael [R]	19	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	N	71%	A
Erpenbach, Jon [D]	27	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Fitzgerald, Scott [R]	13	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	100%	A
Grothman, Glenn [R]	20	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	100%	A
Hansen, David [D]	30	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Harsdorf, Sheila [R]	10	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	100%	A
Jauch, Robert [D]	25	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Kanavas, Ted [R]	33	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	100%	A
Kapanke, Dan [R]	32	N	N	N	Y	NV	N	N	83%	A
Kedzie, Neal [R]	11	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	100%	A
Kreitlow, Pat [D]	23	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Lasee, Alan [R]	1	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	100%	A
Lassa, Julie [D]	24	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Lazich, Mary [R]	28	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	100%	A
Lehman, John [D]	21	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Leibham, Joseph [R]	9	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	100%	A
Miller, Mark [D]	16	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Olsen, Luther [R]	14	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	100%	A
Plale, Jeffrey [D]	7	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	N	29%	D
Risser, Fred [D]	26	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Robson, Judith [D]	15	Y	Y	Y	NV	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Roessler, Carol [R]	18	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	100%	A
Schultz, Dale [R]	17	N	N	N	N	N	N	Y	86%	A
Sullivan, Jim [D]	5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Taylor, Lean [D]	4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Vinehout, Kathleen [D]	31	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F
Wirch, Robert [D]	22	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	0%	F

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