

Common Cause RHODE ISLAND Report

PROVIDING A BLUEPRINT FOR BETTER GOVERNMENT FALL 2010

2009-2010 LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD EDITION

Scores sink to an all-time low average as fundamental constitutional reforms are neglected

This marks the ninth edition of the Common Cause Legislative Scorecard. It is a tool we provide to you our members to judge the performance of your state elected representatives. The 2009-2010 edition of the Rhode Island General Assembly saw tremendous change, with new leadership in both chambers. It did not see a strongly reform-minded agenda, however. Here are the areas of interest to Common Cause Rhode

ETHICS

With a 2009 Supreme Court decision undermining one of the Constitutional pillars of good government, Common Cause designated restoring the full jurisdiction of the state's Ethics Commission over the General Assembly as our top priority in 2010. We were heartened when the legislation passed the House of Representatives under the sponsorship of new Speaker of the House Gordon Fox (D-Providence). Unfortunately the state Senate, under the leadership of M. Teresa Paiva Weed (D-Newport) did not even take a vote on the resolution.

CAMPAIGNS AND ELECTIONS

Perhaps the area where the most significant reform took place was in the area of campaign and election reform. Two major changes were passed over a gubernatorial veto, providing for the direct election of U.S. Senators in cases of vacancies, and pre-registration of 16 & 17 year-olds, both of which Common Cause supported. Additionally, the Assembly passed a series of fixes, in light of recent hostile federal court rulings, to the state's public financing system for General Officers. Unfortunately, that bill was vetoed too, with no override as of this writing. Finally, the House passed one of the most stringent mandatory voter identification laws in the nation, a step backward in our view.

JUDICIAL SELECTION

The General Assembly continued its assault on the state's merit selection system, 15 years after the voters of Rhode Island adopted that fundamental constitutional change. Common Cause continues to oppose efforts to expand the pool of candidates through the so-called "look back" provision. Additionally, appointees to the state's Judicial Nominating Commission continue to stay past their terms, and Common Cause seeks to remedy that situation.

OPEN GOVERNMENT

Common Cause is committed to transparency and open government. For that reason we supported efforts to strengthen the state's Access to Public Records Act, which unfortunately fell short in 2009-2010. It also caused us to engage in the debate over building a windfarm off Block Island, and an attempt to go around the state's Public Utilities Commission.

SEPARATION OF POWERS

More than half a decade after the Separation of Powers amendments passed, statutory implementation of the new constitutional language continues to languish on Smith Hill. Common Cause will continue to push all parties, including the executive branch, to follow the constitution.

Read more about these issues and what happened during the 2009-2010 legislative session inside the newsletter.

Our Mission

Common Cause Rhode Island is a nonpartisan organization whose mission is to promote representative democracy by ensuring open, ethical, accountable, effective government processes at local, state and national levels by educating and mobilizing the citizens of R.I.

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Computing Votes

NOTING ABSTENTIONS, ABSENCES, AND CONSIDERATIONS

Common Cause counted eighteen Senate votes (weight equals 24) and fifteen House votes (weight equals 21) from the Senate and House Journals in this two year scorecard. Our lobbying, testimony, printed communications, or emails laid out Common Cause positions on most of the issues. In some cases, amendments proposed on the floor of the House and Senate focused the issue more clearly than final votes. In these instances, a motion to amend (add to or change) or a motion to table (kill) the amendment is counted. Only votes on the House and Senate floors were counted. Because some votes showed blatant contempt for constitutional amendments approved by voters, this scorecard modifies the scoring weight in the following way:

1 POINT - ROUTINE PRO-VOTES OR ANTI-VOTES BASED ON POSITIONS ADVOCATED BY COMMON CAUSE;

2 POINTS - VOTES THAT UPHOLD OR ATTACK LONG-STANDING, CLEARLY ENUNCIATED COMMON CAUSE PRINCIPLES; AND

3 POINTS - VOTES THAT UPHOLD OR ATTACK PRINCIPLES OF GREAT PUBLIC INTEREST AND IDENTIFIED BY COMMON CAUSE AS PRIORITY ISSUES.

We recognize that several tabulated votes were crammed into the chaotic last night of the legislative session when fatigue may have made it difficult for lawmakers or the public to recognize what was happening. Caught in the tsunami of last-night bills, some well-intentioned lawmakers unintentionally may have cast harmful votes. We hope they will support rules changes to end such overwhelming agendas. If you have a question about your elected representative's position on an issue you should contact them directly. Information on how to contact your representative is available on the Common Cause website.

The votes are divided into issue areas, including ethics, campaign and elections, judicial reform, open government and separation of powers. Within these issue areas the number of pro-votes is divided by the total possible in that area (e.g. 3 pro-Common Cause votes out of 4 results in a 75%). On some occasions lawmakers abstain, or recuse on votes because of potential conflicts. In instances of recusal they are required by law to note the reason for the recusal in the House and Senate journals. In this scorecard the formulas have been adjusted so that abstentions and recusals neither help nor hurt the lawmaker's final score.

Half of each lawmaker's absences or failures to vote are factored into the final average under this formula:

$$(\text{PRO-VOTES}) / ((\text{PRO-VOTES} + \text{ANTI-VOTES}) + (\text{NONVOTING} / 2)) = (\text{FINAL AVERAGE})$$

As explained above, and as highlighted in the narrative, Common Cause RI Governing Board weighed several votes more heavily because of their extraordinary importance.

COMMON CAUSE NEVER ENDORSES CANDIDATES FOR ANY PUBLIC OFFICE. THIS SCORECARD REPORTS ONLY HOW MEMBERS OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY VOTED ON PARTICULAR BILLS OF CONCERN TO COMMON CAUSE. SCORING DOES NOT CONSTITUTE OPPOSITION OR ENDORSEMENT.

Ethics

In 1986 the voters of Rhode Island overwhelmingly passed a constitutional amendment establishing an independent Ethics Commission. As a result of a June 2009 decision of the Rhode Island Supreme Court, members of the General Assembly are no longer subject to the Ethics Commission's oversight for their 'core legislative acts.' Common Cause vigorously lobbied for a constitutional amendment to fix this loophole and restore the jurisdiction of the Commission.

- 10-H 7357 sponsored by Speaker Gordon Fox (D-Providence) would put a measure on the ballot to restore the full jurisdiction of the Rhode Island Ethics Commission over the General Assembly. This passed the House on a 68-5 vote, but never reached the floor of the Senate. *Common Cause named restoring the Ethics Commission's jurisdiction as its top priority in 2010.*

- A floor amendment, offered by Representative Brian Newberry (R-Smithfield) would have gutted the proposed constitutional amendment (H 7357) to restore the jurisdiction of the Ethics Commission. It was defeated on a 37-33 vote. *Common Cause opposed this amendment.*

Campaigns and Elections

Common Cause has long stood for reform to the electoral process, most notably campaign finance reform. During the 2009-2010 session the General Assembly considered several major changes to election law in Rhode Island.

- 09-H 5005, sponsored by Representative Edwin Pacheco (D-Burrillville) and 09-S 85 by Senator Rhoda Perry (D-Providence) allows 16 & 17 year-olds to pre-register to vote if they are going to be 18 by the next election. In October 2009 the General Assembly overrode the Governor's veto of this bill. *Common Cause supports efforts to increase voter registration.*

- 09-H 5094, sponsored by Representative Chris Fierro (D-Woonsocket) and 09-S 201 by Paul Jabour (D-Providence) provides for a special election in the case of a vacancy for U.S. Senator. In October 2009 the General Assembly overrode the Governor's veto of this bill. *Common Cause supports the use of an election to fill a vacancy for the Senate.*

- 10-H 7951 substitute A, sponsored by Representative William SanBento (D-Pawtucket) and 10-S 2643 Substitute A., by Erin Lynch (D-Warwick) was proposed by the Board of Elections to make changes to the states' public financing system in keeping with recent federal court decisions. The bill was vetoed by the Governor. *Common Cause supports Rhode Island's system of public financing for elections.*

- 10-H 5290, sponsored by Representative J. Patrick O'Neill (D-Pawtucket) would close the polls one hour earlier, at 8 p.m. This bill did not advance in the Senate. *Common Cause opposes efforts to make voting more difficult.*

- 09-H 5097 as amended, sponsored by Representative John Brien (D-Woonsocket) on behalf of Secretary of State A. Ralph Mollis, would require photo identification to vote. This bill passed the House, but was not taken up by the Senate. *Common Cause opposes efforts to impose an identification requirement for voting. We feel it may be used to systematically discriminate against some voters.*

- 09-S 2457 substitute A, sponsored by Senator Michael McCaffrey (D-Warwick) at the request of the Board of Elections would make it easier to obtain a mail ballot in Rhode Island. Unfortunately this bill did not pass the House. *Common Cause supports the use of no fault absentee ballots.*

- 09-S 203, sponsored by Senator David Bates (R-Barrington) lowers the threshold for new political parties to gain access to the ballot. The bill passed the Senate, but did not receive a vote in the House. Fortunately, a federal court ruling in 2009 made the need for the law a moot point. *Common Cause supports efforts to make access to the ballot easier for new political parties.*

Judicial Selection

Common Cause has long advocated for a rigorous system of merit selection of judges in Rhode Island. Unfortunately we have seen that system undermined time and time again.

- 09-H 5567, sponsored by Representative Donald Lally (D-Narragansett) and 10-S 2645 and 09-S 760 substitute A, both by Senator Leo Blais (R-Coventry) allows the governor to pick from past lists provided by the Judicial Nominating Commission for a vacancy in the same court. It was signed into law in both 2009 and 2010 by Governor Carcieri. *Common Cause opposes this attempt to undermine the merit selection system in Rhode Island.*

- This amendment offered by Senator Leo Blaid (R-Coventry) to 09-S 428 substitute A, sponsored by Senator James Sheehan, would gut the purpose of the bill which was to prevent members of the Judicial Nominating Commission from overstaying their terms. It

Open Government

One of the primary tenets of the Common Cause mission is fighting for open government. Several significant reforms of the statutory foundation of open government, the state's Access to Public Records Act, were considered during 2009-2010. Unfortunately, none of them ultimately became law.

- 09-H 5136 sponsored by Representative Edith Ajello (D-Providence) and 09-S 374 substitute A, and 10-S 2471 substitute A, by Senator Michael Lenihan (D-East Greenwich) would strengthen the state's Access to Public Records Act. In 2009 the House version was significantly watered down in the House before eventually passing. The Senate passed a stronger version, but the two bills were not reconciled. In 2010 the bill passed the Senate overwhelmingly, but never received a vote in the House. *Common Cause supports efforts to improve access to public records.*

- 10-H 7387 as amended, sponsored by Representative John Carnevale (D-Johnston), makes police records of campus police departments public records. Unfortunately the bill was amended on the floor of the Senate and the two versions were never reconciled. *Common Cause supports strengthening the Access to Public Records Act.*

- The motion to suspend rule 13(c) providing for advance notice of meetings. The motion passed. *Common Cause opposes suspension of the rules at the end of the legislative session.*

- 10-H 8083 substitute A, sponsored by Representative J. Patrick O'Neill (D-Pawtucket) and 10-S 2819 by Senator Susan Sosnowski substitute A, (D-South Kingstown) created a revised system for consideration of the Deepwater Wind project off Block Island. The bill passed both Houses and was signed by the Governor. *Common Cause opposes efforts to put in place a flawed process for the consideration of a single developer.*

- 10-S 2434 sponsored by Senator Louis DiPalma (D-Little Compton), would require that votes of General Assembly committees be put online. The bill passed the Senate, but was never taken up by the House. *Common Cause supports putting committee votes online.*

Separation of Powers

For 15 years Common Cause has made separation of powers in Rhode Island one of our top priorities. Although great strides were made in the immediate aftermath of the 2004 constitutional changes, little was done in 2009-2010 to advance the issue.

- 09-H 5613 substitute A, sponsored by Representative Joseph McNamara (D-Warwick), and 09-S 777 substitute A, by Senator Hannah Gallo (D-Cranston) creates a Rhode Island Uniform Public School Employees' Health Care Benefit Program Board. This bill became law over the Governor's veto. *Common Cause opposes allowing non-gubernatorial appointees performing executive functions.*

- 10-S 2213 as amended, sponsored by Senator Michael McCaffrey (D-Warwick), would require the Governor to pick from a list for an appointment to the Rhode Island Airport Corporation Board. Fortunately Governor Carcieri vetoed the bill. *Common Cause opposes mandatory restrictions on gubernatorial appointments.*

- A floor amendment proposed by Representative Brian Newberry (D-Smithfield), to 10-S 2213, would alter the language that requires the Governor to pick from a list a member of the board of the Airport Corporation. The amendment failed, the bill was passed but eventually was vetoed by the Governor. *Common Cause opposes mandatory restrictions on gubernatorial appointments.*

- 10-S 2788 substitute A, sponsored by Senator Michael Lenihan (D-East Greenwich) adds advice and consent to appointments to the Health and Education Building Corporation. The bill passed the Senate, but was not taken up by the House. *Common Cause supports efforts to bring boards and commissions into compliance with Separation of Powers.*

- 09-S 414 Substitute A as amended, and 10 S-2227 both sponsored by Senator Susan Sosnowski (D-South Kingstown), would reconfigure the Coastal Resources Management Council. The bill puts absolute qualifications on who may be selected for several seats on the Council. The bill passed the Senate in both 2009 and 2010 but was never considered in the House. *Common Cause opposes attempts to impose mandatory restrictions on gubernatorial appointments as a violation of Separation of Powers.*

Rhode Island State Senate

FIRST NAME	LAST NAME	CITY or TOWN	DISTRICT	PARTY	Campaigns and Elections (5 votes/weight = 5)	Judicial Reform (3 votes/weight = 6)	Open Government (5 votes/weight = 7)	Separation of Powers (5 votes/weight = 7)	Pro-CC Votes	Anti-CC Votes	Not Voting	Final Score
Dennis L.	Algieri	Westerly	38	R	100%	33%	100%	29%	16	9	0	64%
David E.	Bates	Barrington	32	R	80%	33%	100%	29%	15	8	2	63%
Leo R.	Blais	Coventry	21	D	60%	0%	100%	29%	12	12	1	49%
Frank A.	Ciccone, III	Providence	07	D	60%	0%	29%	14%	6	12	7	28%
Daniel P.	Connors	Cumberland	19	D	100%	0%	86%	14%	12	13	0	48%
Marc A.	Cote	Woonsocket	24	D	100%	67%	100%	14%	18	7	0	72%
Elizabeth A.	Crowley	Central Falls	16	D	80%	33%	57%	29%	11	9	5	49%
Daniel	DaPonte	E. Providence	14	D	80%	0%	86%	14%	11	13	1	45%
Frank A.	DeVall, Jr.	E. Providence	18	D	100%	0%	86%	14%	12	13	0	48%
Louis P.	DiPalma	Middletown	12	D	80%	0%	57%	14%	9	13	3	38%
James E.	Doyle, II	Pawtucket	08	D	100%	0%	43%	14%	9	13	4	38%
Walter S.	Felag, Jr.	Warren	10	D	80%	33%	86%	0%	12	10	3	51%
Paul W.	Fogarty	Glocester	23	D	100%	0%	86%	14%	12	11	2	50%
Hanna M.	Gallo	Cranston	27	D	100%	0%	86%	14%	12	13	0	48%
Maryellen	Goodwin	Providence	01	D	80%	0%	86%	14%	11	13	1	45%
Paul V.	Jabour	Providence	05	D	100%	0%	100%	14%	13	10	2	54%
Beatrice A.	Lanzi	Cranston	26	D	80%	0%	86%	14%	11	10	4	48%
J. Michael	Lenihan	East Greenwich	35	D	80%	67%	29%	14%	11	5	9	54%
Charles J.	Levesque	Portsmouth	11	D	100%	0%	86%	14%	12	13	0	48%
Erin P.	Lynch	Warwick	31	D	100%	0%	86%	14%	12	5	6	60%
Francis T.	Maher, Jr.	Exeter	34	R	60%	33%	100%	29%	14	9	2	58%
Christopher B.	Maselli	Johnston	35	D	80%	0%	86%	14%	11	13	1	45%
John F.	McBurney	Pawtucket	15	D	60%	0%	29%	14%	6	14	5	27%
Michael J.	McCaffrey	Warwick	29	D	100%	0%	86%	14%	12	13	0	48%
Harold M.	Metts	Providence	06	D	80%	33%	86%	14%	13	10	2	54%
Joshua	Miller	Cranston	28	D	80%	0%	86%	14%	11	13	1	45%
Edward J.	O'Neill	Lincoln	17	I	100%	67%	100%	29%	18	7	0	72%
M. Teresa	Paiva Weed	Newport	13	D	100%	0%	71%	14%	11	13	1	45%
Rhoda E.	Perry	Providence	03	D	100%	0%	86%	14%	12	11	2	50%
Roger A.	Picard	Woonsocket	20	D	100%	0%	86%	14%	12	13	0	48%
Juan M.	Pichardo	Providence	02	D	80%	67%	100%	14%	16	6	3	68%
Michael J.	Pinga	West Warwick	09	D	100%	67%	100%	29%	18	7	0	72%
Leonidas P.	Raptakis	Coventry	33	D	20%	67%	71%	29%	12	5	8	57%
Dominick J.	Ruggerio	Providence	04	D	80%	0%	71%	14%	10	12	3	43%
James C.	Sheehan	N. Kingstown	36	D	100%	33%	86%	14%	14	8	3	60%
V. Susan	Sosnowski	S. Kingstown	37	D	100%	0%	86%	14%	12	13	0	48%
John J.	Tassoni, Jr.	Smithfield	22	D	100%	0%	86%	14%	12	13	0	48%
William A.	Walaksa	Warwick	30	D	100%	33%	86%	14%	14	8	3	60%
AVERAGE PERCENTAGES/TOTAL VOTES:					87%	18%	81%	17%	465	400	84	51%

Rhode Island House of Representatives

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Edith H.	Ajello	Providence	3	D	100%	100%	100%	60%	67%	18	3	0	86%
Joseph S.	Almeida	Providence	12	D	80%	50%	100%	20%	0%	11	9	1	54%
Samuel A.	Azzinaro	Westerly	37	D	60%	0%	0%	60%	0%	6	9	6	33%
Lisa	Baldelli-Hunt	Woonsocket	49	D	80%	0%	0%	20%	33%	6	11	4	32%
Jon D.	Brien	Woonsocket	50	D	20%	0%	75%	20%	33%	6	11	4	32%
David A.	Caprio	Narragansett	34	D	80%	0%	100%	60%	0%	11	10	0	52%
John M.	Carnevale	Johnston	13	D	60%	0%	100%	20%	0%	8	11	2	40%
Kenneth	Carter	Exeter	31	D	40%	0%	100%	20%	67%	9	11	1	44%
Elaine A.	Coderre	Pawtucket	60	D	100%	0%	100%	60%	0%	12	9	0	57%
Arthur J.	Corvese	North Providence	55	D	60%	0%	75%	20%	33%	8	13	0	38%
Steven M.	Costantino	Providence	8	D	80%	0%	100%	60%	0%	11	10	0	52%
Roberto	DaSilva	Pawtucket	63	D	60%	50%	0%	60%	0%	8	13	0	38%
Betsy	Dennigan*	East Providence	62	D	50%	0%	N/A	67%	N/A	4	3	1	53%
John J.	DeSimone	Providence	5	D	40%	0%	100%	20%	0%	7	9	5	38%
Grace	Diaz	Providence	11	D	100%	0%	100%	40%	0%	11	8	2	55%
Rod	Driver	Richmond	39	D	60%	50%	75%	80%	33%	13	7	1	63%
John G.	Edwards	Tiverton	70	D	60%	0%	75%	60%	33%	10	9	2	50%
Laurence W.	Ehrhardt	North Kingstown	32	R	20%	50%	75%	40%	100%	11	10	0	52%
Deborah A.	Fellela	Johnston	43	D	0%	0%	75%	60%	0%	6	6	9	36%
Frank G.	Ferri	Warwick	22	D	80%	50%	100%	60%	0%	13	8	0	62%
Christopher	Fierro	Woonsocket	51	D	80%	50%	100%	60%	100%	16	5	0	76%
Robert E.	Flaherty	Warwick	23	D	60%	0%	75%	20%	0%	7	5	9	42%
Gordon D.	Fox	Providence	4	D	80%	0%	100%	60%	0%	11	10	0	52%
Douglas W.	Gablinske	Bristol	68	D	60%	0%	100%	60%	33%	11	7	3	56%
Raymond E.	Gallison, Jr.	Bristol	69	D	60%	0%	100%	80%	0%	11	10	0	52%
Al	Gemma	Warwick	20	D	40%	0%	75%	20%	33%	7	13	1	34%
Joanne M.	Giannini	Providence	7	D	60%	0%	75%	20%	0%	7	14	0	33%
Scott J.	Guthrie	Coventry	28	D	100%	0%	75%	40%	0%	10	11	0	48%
Arthur	Handy	Cranston	18	D	100%	0%	75%	60%	0%	11	8	2	55%
Joy	Hearn	Barrington	66	D	80%	50%	100%	80%	100%	17	3	1	83%
J. Russell	Jackson	Newport	73	D	60%	0%	100%	60%	33%	11	10	0	52%
Robert B.	Jacquard	Cranston	17	D	40%	0%	75%	40%	0%	7	5	9	42%
Brian P.	Kennedy	Hopkinton	38	D	60%	0%	100%	80%	0%	11	9	1	54%
Peter F.	Kilmartin	Pawtucket	61	D	40%	50%	100%	20%	0%	9	11	0	45%
Donald J.	Lally, Jr.	Narragansett	33	D	60%	0%	100%	40%	0%	9	11	1	44%
Charlene M.	Lima	Cranston	14	D	80%	0%	75%	60%	0%	10	10	1	49%
John J.	Loughlin, II	Tiverton	71	R	60%	0%	75%	80%	100%	13	5	3	67%
Karen L.	MacBeth	Cumberland	52	D	40%	50%	75%	60%	0%	10	11	0	48%

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Jan P.	Malik	Warren	67	D	60%	0%	75%	20%	33%	8	11	2	40%
Michael J.	Marcello	Scituate	41	D	80%	50%	100%	80%	33%	15	6	0	71%
Peter F.	Martin	Newport	75	D	60%	60%	0%	75%	20%	0	7	14	33%
Nicholas A.	Mattiello	Cranston	15	D	80%	0%	100%	60%	0%	11	10	0	52%
John J.	McCauley, Jr.	Providence	1	D	60%	0%	75%	20%	0%	7	6	8	41%
Joseph M.	McNamara	Cranston	19	D	80%	0%	100%	60%	0%	11	10	0	52%
Helio	Melo	East Providence	64	D	60%	0%	100%	60%	33%	11	10	0	52%
Rene R.	Menard	Cumberland	45	D	60%	50%	75%	20%	0%	9	11	1	44%
Mary	Messier*	East Providence	62	D	100%	0%	75%	33%	0%	5	8	0	38%
William J.	Murphy	West Warwick	26	D	40%	0%	0%	40%	0%	4	5	12	27%
Eileen S.	Naughton	Warwick	21	D	60%	0%	100%	80%	0%	11	8	2	55%
Brian C.	Newberry	North Smithfield	48	R	40%	0%	0%	60%	100%	8	13	0	38%
J. Patrick	O'Neill	Pawtucket	59	D	60%	0%	100%	40%	0%	9	11	1	44%
Edwin R.	Pacheco	Burrillville	47	D	100%	0%	100%	60%	0%	12	9	0	57%
Peter G.	Palumbo	Cranston	16	D	60%	50%	100%	20%	0%	10	7	4	53%
Peter J.	Petrarca	Lincoln	44	D	80%	0%	100%	20%	0%	9	11	1	44%
Scott M.	Pollard	Foster	40	D	60%	0%	0%	60%	33%	7	12	2	35%
Amy G.	Rice	Middletown	72	D	80%	0%	75%	60%	33%	11	9	1	54%
Michael A.	Rice	South Kingstown	35	D	40%	0%	75%	80%	0%	9	11	1	44%
Deborah L.	Ruggiero	Jamestown	74	D	60%	50%	75%	60%	33%	12	9	0	57%
William	San Bento, Jr.	Pawtucket	58	D	60%	0%	100%	20%	67%	10	11	0	48%
John A.	Savage	East Providence	65	R	60%	50%	75%	40%	67%	12	9	0	57%
Gregory J.	Schadone	North Providence	54	D	60%	0%	75%	20%	0%	7	11	3	36%
David A.	Segal	Providence	2	D	100%	50%	100%	60%	0%	10	5	2	63%
Patricia A.	Serpa	West Warwick	27	D	80%	0%	100%	60%	33%	12	9	0	57%
Mary Ann	Shallcross Smith	Pawtucket	46	D	80%	0%	100%	20%	0%	9	12	0	43%
Agostino F.	Silva	Central Falls	56	D	60%	0%	75%	20%	0%	7	14	0	33%
Scott	Slater*	Providence	10	D	100%	0%	75%	33%	0%	5	5	3	43%
Raymond J.	Sullivan, Jr.	Coventry	29	D	100%	50%	100%	20%	0%	12	3	6	80%
Joseph A.	Trillo	Warwick	24	R	40%	50%	75%	20%	33%	9	11	1	44%
Stephen R.	Ucci	Cranston	42	D	60%	0%	100%	20%	0%	8	11	2	40%
Kenneth A.	Vaudreuil	Central Falls	57	D	60%	0%	100%	40%	0%	9	10	2	45%
Donna M.	Walsh	Charlestown	36	D	100%	100%	100%	60%	0%	16	3	2	80%
Peter N.	Wasylyk	Providence	6	D	80%	0%	75%	60%	0%	10	8	3	51%
Robert A.	Watson	East Greenwich	30	R	40%	50%	0%	20%	100%	8	11	2	40%
Anastasia P.	Williams	Providence	9	D	20%	0%	75%	0%	0%	4	11	6	22%
Timothy A.	Williamson	West Warwick	25	D	20%	0%	100%	20%	0%	6	6	9	36%
Thomas	Winfield	Glocester	53	D	60%	50%	75%	20%	0%	9	11	1	44%
AVERAGE PERCENTAGES/TOTAL VOTES:					64%	15%	80%	44%	19%	726	690	146	48%

* Betsy Dennigan served in 2009 only. Mary Messier and Scott Slater served in 2010 only.

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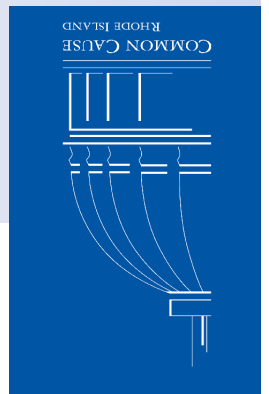


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