

2009-2010 CVSC Conservation Scorecard

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Agnew, Paul (D - Abbeville)	11	89%	80%	86%	100%	+	+	+	O	+	
Alexander, Terry (D-Florence)	59	49%	40%	57%		+	O	+	-	O	
Allen, Karl (D-Greenville)	25	41%	80%	43%	17%	25%	+	+	+	-	+
Allison, Rita (R-Spartanburg)	36	80%	80%				+	+	+	-	+
Anderson, Carl (D-Williamsburg)	103	79%	80%	75%	83%		+	+	+	-	+
Anthony, Michael (D-Union)	42	57%	75%	29%	43%	80%	+	+	●	-	+
Bales, Jimmy (D-Richland)	80	55%	80%	57%	33%	50%	+	O	+	+	+
Ballentine, Nathan (R-Richland)	71	82%	75%	100%	71%		O	+	+	+	E
★ Bannister, Bruce (R-Greenville)	24	75%	100%	75%	50%		+	+	+	+	+
Barfield, Liston (R-Horry)	58	27%	60%	29%	17%	0%	+	+	+	-	O
Battle, Jim (D-Marion)	57	57%	80%	43%	83%	22%	+	+	+	+	O
Bedingfield, Eric (R-Greenville)	28	32%	25%	38%			E	-	+	-	-
★ Bingham, Kenny (R-Lexington)	89	62%	100%	71%	67%	10%	+	+	+	+	+
Bowen, Don (R-Anderson)	8	76%	80%	71%			O	+	+	+	+
Bowers, William (D-Hampton)	120	84%	80%	100%	67%	90%	+	+	+	-	+
★ Brady, Joan (R-Richland)	78	96%	100%	88%	100%		+	+	+	+	+
Branham, Lester (D-Florence)	61	72%	80%	57%	71%	78%	+	+	+	-	+
Brantley, Curtis (D-Jasper)	122	73%	60%	86%			+	+	+	O	O
★ Brown, Boyd (D-Fairfield)	41	100%	100%				+	+	+	+	+
Brown, Grady (D-Lee)	50	67%	50%	88%	67%	63%	+	O	●	-	+
★ Brown, Robert (D-Charleston)	116	88%	100%	86%	100%	67%	+	+	+	+	E
Cato, Harry (R-Greenville)	17	39%	67%	57%	33%	0%	E	+	+	-	E
Chalk, Richard (R-Beaufort)	123	61%	80%	71%	33%		+	+	+	-	+
Clemmons, Alan (R-Horry)	107	38%	50%	63%	29%	10%	O	E	+	+	-
Clyburn, Bill (D-Aiken)	82	80%	80%	83%	57%	100%	+	+	+	+	O
Cobb-Hunter, Gilda (D-Orangeburg)	66	66%	80%	71%	33%	78%	+	+	+	-	+
Cole, Derham (R-Spartanburg)	32	80%	80%				+	+	+	-	+
Cooper, Dan (R-Anderson)	10	30%	60%	29%	29%	0%	+	-	+	-	+
Crawford, Kris (R-Florence)	63	72%	80%	63%			+	+	+	-	+
Daning, Joseph (R-Berkeley)	92	57%	80%	33%			+	+	+	+	-
Delleney Jr., Greg (R-Chester)	43	49%	80%	43%	50%	22%	+	+	+	-	+
★ Dillard, Chandra (D-Greenville)	23	100%	100%				+	+	+	+	+
Duncan, Jeff (R-Laurens)	15	44%	80%	57%	29%	11%	+	+	+	-	+
Edge, Tracy (R-Horry)	104	27%	40%	14%	29%	25%	O	O	+	-	+
Erickson, Shannon (R-Beaufort)	124	90%	80%	100%			-	+	+	+	+
Forrester, Mike (R-Spartanburg)	34	80%	80%				+	+	+	-	+

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Frye, Marion (R-Lexington)	39	20%	20%	43%	16%	0%	O	-	+	-	O
★ Funderburk, Laurie (D-Kershaw)	52	100%	100%	100%	100%		+	+	●	+	+
Gambrell, Michael (R-Anderson)	7	65%	80%	50%			+	+	+	-	+
Gilliard, Wendell (D-Charleston)	111	60%	60%				O	+	+	-	+
★ Govan, Jerry (D-Orangeburg)	95	79%	100%	75%	50%	89%	+	+	+	+	+
Gunn, Anton (D-Richland)	79	50%	50%				O	+	+	E	O
Haley, Nikki (R-Lexington)	87	57%	40%	75%	57%		-	+	+	-	O
Hamilton, Dan (R-Greenville)	20	30%	40%	29%	29%	22%	+	-	+	-	-
Hardwick, Nelson (R-Horry)	106	50%	80%	57%	14%		+	+	+	-	+
★ Harrell, Bobby (R-Charleston)	114	49%	100%	57%	29%	11%	+	+	+	+	+
★ Harrison, Jim (R-Richland)	75	54%	100%	71%	33%	10%	+	+	+	+	+
Hart, Christoper (D-Richland)	73	70%	40%	100%			O	+	+	-	O
Harvin, Cathy (D-Clarendon)	64	82%	60%	86%	100%		+	O	+	-	+
Hayes, Jackie (D-Dillon)	55	48%	60%	43%	43%	44%	+	+	+	-	O
★ Hearn, George (R-Horry)	105	100%	100%				+	+	+	+	+
Herbkersman, Bill (R-Beaufort)	118	83%	80%	100%	83%	67%	O	+	+	+	+
Hiott, David (R-Pickens)	4	74%	80%	71%	71%		+	+	+	-	+
Hodges, Kenneth (D-Colleton)	121	64%	60%	100%	33%		+	O	+	-	+
Horne, Jenny (R-Dorchester)	94	80%	80%				+	+	+	-	+
★ Hosey, Lonnie (D-Barnwell)	91	78%	100%	88%	43%	80%	+	+	+	+	+
Howard, Leon (D-Richland)	76	52%	60%	43%	17%	89%	O	+	+	O	+
Huggins, Chip (R-Lexington)	85	58%	80%	75%	67%	11%	+	+	+	-	+
Hutto, Anne P. (D-Charleston)	115	80%	80%				+	O	+	+	+
★ Jefferson, Joe (D-Berkeley)	102	75%	100%	75%	50%		+	+	+	+	+
Jennings, Doug (D-Marlboro)	54	65%	50%	57%	67%	86%	O	+	●	-	+
Kelly, Keith (R-Spartanburg)	35	84%	80%	88%			+	+	+	-	+
Kennedy, Ken (D-Williamsburg)	101	62%	67%	71%	67%	44%	O	+	●	E	+
★ King, John (D-York)	49	100%	100%				+	+	+	+	+
Kirsh, Herb (D-York)	47	60%	25%	75%	100%	40%	E	O	+	-	O
Knight, Patsy (D-Dorchester)	97	60%	33%	86%			E	E	+	-	O
★ Limehouse, Chip (R-Charleston)	110	77%	100%	71%	83%	55%	+	+	+	+	+
Littlejohn, Lanny (R-Spartanburg)	33	45%	40%	43%	57%	40%	+	-	+	O	O
Loftis, Dwight (R-Greenville)	19	24%	25%	71%	0%	0%	O	O	+	E	-
★ Long, Deborah (R-Lancaster)	45	100%	100%				+	+	+	+	+
★ Lowe, Phillip (R-Florence)	60	86%	100%	71%			+	+	+	+	+
★ Lucas, Jay (R-Darlington)	65	69%	100%	63%	57%	55%	+	+	+	+	+

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Mack, David (D-Charleston)	109	73%	75%	67%	50%	100%	+	+	●	-	+			
McEachern, Joe (D-Richland)	77	80%	80%				+	+	+	-	+			
McLeod, Walton (D-Newberry)	40	95%	80%	100%	100%	100%	+	+	+	-	+			
Merrill, Jim (R-Charleston)	99	58%	80%	57%	33%	60%	-	+	+	+	+			
Miller, Vida (D-Georgetown)	108	89%	80%	75%	100%	100%	O	+	+	+	+			
Millwood, Joey (R-Spartanburg)	38	40%	40%				+	-	+	-	O			
Mitchell, Harold (D-Spartanburg)	31	77%	80%	75%	75%		+	+	+	-	+			
★ Moss, Dennis (R-Cherokee)	29	82%	100%	63%			+	+	+	+	+			
★ Moss, Steve (R-Cherokee)	30	100%	100%				E	E	+	+	+			
Nanney, Wendy (R-Greenville)	22	40%	40%				+	-	+	-	-			
Neal, Jimmy M. (D-Lancaster)	44	85%	80%	75%	86%	100%	+	+	+	-	+			
Neal, Joe H. (D-Richland)	70	63%	80%	71%	29%	71%	+	+	+	O	+			
★ Neilson, Denny (D-Darlington)	56	78%	100%	83%	86%	44%	+	+	+	+	+			
Norman, Ralph (R-York)	48	67%	67%				E	E	+	-	+			
Ott Jr., Harry (D-Calhoun)	93	51%	60%	71%	50%	22%	+	+	+	-	O			
Owens, Phil (R-Pickens)	5	43%	80%	63%	29%	0%	+	+	+	-	+			
Parker, Steve (R-Spartanburg)	37	60%	60%				+	+	+	-	O			
Parks, J. Anne (D-Greenwood)	12	70%	75%	71%	43%	89%	+	+	●	-	+			
Pinson, Gene (R-Greenwood)	13	61%	80%	71%	71%	22%	+	+	+	-	+			
★ Pitts Jr., Ted (R-Lexington)	69	57%	100%	75%	29%	22%	+	+	E	E	E			
Pitts, Michael (R-Laurens)	14	32%	40%	50%	17%	22%	O	O	+	+	-			
Rice, Rex (R-Pickens)	26	44%	80%	40%	14%	40%	+	+	+	-	+			
Rutherford, Todd (D-Richland)	74	35%	20%	57%	17%	44%	O	O	+	-	O			
Sandifer, Bill (R-Oconee)	2	42%	80%	63%	14%	10%	+	+	+	-	+			
Scott, Tim (R-Berkeley)	117	80%	80%				+	+	+	+	O			
Sellers, Bakari (D-Bamberg)	90	90%	80%	100%			+	+	+	+	O			
Simrill, J. Gary (R-York)	46	61%	75%	63%	50%	57%	-	+	●	+	+			
Skelton, B. R. (R-Pickens)	3	67%	80%	71%	86%	30%	+	+	+	-	+			
Smith, Donald (R-Aiken)	83	53%	60%	57%	71%	22%	+	O	+	-	+			
★ Smith, G. Murrell (R-Sumter)	67	67%	100%	57%	57%	55%	+	+	+	+	+			
Smith, Garry R. (R-Greenville)	27	48%	60%	57%	50%	25%	+	+	+	-	-			
Smith, J. Roland (R-Aiken)	84	55%	80%	57%	71%	10%	+	+	+	O	+			
Smith, James E. (D-Richland)	72	95%	80%	100%	100%	100%	O	+	+	+	+			
Sottile, Mike (R-Charleston)	112	80%	80%				+	+	+	-	+			
Spire, Kit (R-Lexington)	96	83%	80%	86%			+	+	+	-	+			
Stavrinakis, Leon (D-Charleston)	119	90%	80%	100%			-	+	+	+	+			

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Stewart, Jim (R-Aiken)	86	18%	40%	14%	17%	0%	O	+	+	-	O			
Stringer, Tommy (R-Greenville)	18	40%	40%				+	-	+	-	-			
Thompson, Michael (R-Anderson)	9	60%	80%	75%	43%	40%	+	+	+	+	O			
★ Toole, Mac (R-Lexington)	88	63%	100%	71%	50%	30%	+	+	+	+	+			
★ Umphlett, David (R-Berkeley)	100	50%	100%	57%	33%	11%	+	+	+	+	+			
★ Vick, Ted (D-Chesterfield)	53	69%	100%	57%	50%		+	+	+	+	+			
Viers, Thad (R-Horry)	68	24%	25%	29%	29%	11%	+	-	●	-	O			
Weeks, David (D-Sumter)	51	74%	40%	71%	83%	100%	O	O	+	-	+			
Whipper, Seth (D-Charleston)	113	73%	50%	86%	67%	89%	O	+	●	-	+			
White, Brian (R-Anderson)	6	40%	80%	50%	29%	0%	+	+	+	-	+			
Whitmire, Bill (R-Oconee)	1	61%	80%	71%	83%	10%	+	+	+	O	+			
Williams, Robert (D-Darlington)	62	84%	80%	88%			+	+	+	-	+			
Willis, Mark (R-Greenville)	16	50%	50%				+	+	E	-	-			
Wylie, Bill (R-Greenville)	21	60%	60%				+	+	+	-	-			
★ Young, Annette (R-Dorchester)	98	32%	40%	50%	17%	20%	O	-	+	-	+			
★ Young, Tom (R-Aiken)	81	100%	100%				+	+	+	+	+			

LEGEND

- (+) Pro environment vote
- (-) Anti-environment vote
- (E) Excused absence
- (O) Not voting

(●) We count not voting (without an excuse) as an anti-environment vote because voting is a key responsibility of legislators- but we did not penalize not voting on the unanimous passage of Energy Efficiency Financing.

The Emergency Notification bill H.3603 by Rep. Mike Pitts would have required DHEC to create a standard procedure for notification about major spills in public waters. This bill passed the House in 2009, but died in 2010 with Senate objections.

A Phosphate Limits bill, H.4503 by Rep. Mike Pitts aimed to place restrictions on the use, sale or manufacture of dishwashing detergents containing phosphates. This bill passed the House in March 2010, then stalled in the Senate Medical Affairs Committee.

The Prescribed Fire bill, H.3924 by Rep. Jim Harrison aimed to put protections in place for landowners who choose to perform a controlled burn on their property. This bill passed the House in April but died in the Senate in May.

A bill on School Health Food Standards, H.3297 by Rep. Bakari Sellers called for elementary schools to offer only full meals for student consumption, and aimed to create fat, calorie, and sugar content standards that snacks and beverages must meet in order to be sold in schools. It passed the House in 2009 and stalled on the Senate floor in 2010 when objections were raised.

A resolution calling for an **Oil Spill Contingency Plan, S.1478 by Sen. Chip Campsen and Rep. Chip Limehouse** passed the Senate and House in 2010. It directs DHEC, DNR, and the Governor's Office to develop contingency plans for protecting our coastline should oil from the Deepwater Horizon spill in the Gulf make its way to South Carolina's shores.

A bill that will make an immediate impact on the diversity of our state's wildlife, **H.3121, the Turtle Export bill by Rep. James Smith**, was signed into law in early May 2009. This bill prohibits the capture and mass export of South Carolina's turtles.

The **Building Codes Reform Act, H.3550** introduced by **Rep. Harry Cato**, will ensure that South Carolina uses modern energy efficiency building practices that will save consumers as much as \$400 annually, and save the state energy as well-- more than a single new power plant. This bill was signed into law in June 2009.

*According to House rules, voice votes taken on the floor are not recorded, which makes it very difficult to learn an individual legislator's position on a bill. At least 10 legislators must request a roll call vote in order to force a recorded vote.

(A) The SUPERB Fund (H.3270 by Rep. Jeff Duncan) establishes new annual renewal fees a the request of industry for the registration of underground storage tanks, in order to generate the money for the State Underground Petroleum Environmental Response Bank (SUPERB) account. This bill passed the House in March 2009 in a 92-5 vote, passed the Senate in April 2010, and was ratified in May 2010.

(B) Across the board agency cuts threatened to zero out all funding for the Conservation Bank Funding but during budget deliberations in March, House members voted 10-97 for \$200,000 to keep the Bank's doors open. The Senate later voted unanimously to add \$2 million more to the Bank for land protection, and the House concurred. (The Conservation Bank's funding for 2008-09, originally estimated at \$15-20 million, was cut more than 75%- more than any other state agency.)

(C) The Energy Efficiency Financing Bill (S.1096 by Sen. Glenn McConnell) passed the House (112-0) and the Senate unanimously in 2010, and will save money for ratepayers, reduce energy use and create local, green jobs. Electric cooperatives and municipal electric systems will offer financing to residential customers for weatherization, insulation, and upgrading to more efficient heating and cooling systems. These loans will be liens tied to the electric meters rather than to the properties and are repaid over time on the utility bill.

(D) Again in 2010, the Conservation Bank's "death clause" eliminated the all funding. Representatives Jim Merrill and David Umphlett surprised conservationists during the March budget debate when they offered a motion to redirect \$2 million to the Bank. The motion failed on a 68-45 vote, but the House ultimately provided \$207,000 to keep its doors open. The Senate added \$1.5 million to help the Bank cover the \$4.5 million in commitments that had been made in the previous year.

(E) In 2010, after nearly four years of negotiations, conservation organizations, DHEC, manufacturers, utilities, farmers and water suppliers finally reached a compromise on water withdrawal permitting. S.452 by Sen. Paul Campbell, passed the Senate unanimously in March after it was amended to maintain seasonal flows in our rivers to protect fish, wildlife and public recreation. This vote was a last minute attempt by the Greenville Water System to amend the bill on the House floor to clarify and protect long standing inter-basin transfers. Adoption of the amendment threatened to undo the delicate compromise.