



2020 MINNESOTA SCORECARD

2020 LEGISLATIVE SESSION

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**CAL
BAHR**

DISTRICT 31B
State Representative



SUPPORTED



**JEREMY
MUNSON**

DISTRICT 23B
State Representative



SUPPORTED



**STEVE
DRAZKOWSKI**

DISTRICT 21B
State Representative



**SHANE
MEKELUND**

DISTRICT 15B
State Representative



SUPPORTED



ABOUT THIS SCORECARD



Scorecard Key

Action 4 Liberty rates bills positively when they expand individual freedoms and reduce government control. We annotate legislator's vote that are in agreement with our position as "+". When a legislator votes in opposition, we mark the vote as "-". If the legislator was absent for the vote, we annotate it with "A" and that vote does not count towards their overall score.

Scores above 90% would be considered an "A" grade. We expect all Republicans to be at this level which would represent a commitment to the conservative values they profess to have on the campaign trail. Scores below 60% are failing grades.

We separate the presentation of scores between Democrats and Republicans for several reasons. Democrat legislators generally do not profess the same belief in expanding individual freedoms and reducing government control as we do. Their scores can be somewhat misleading. A Democrat legislator might vote for our position on a bill not based on the same principles, but because it does not grow government enough. For information on every year, please visit:

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NOTES ON THE 2020 SESSION

For three straight years, no Republican State Senator has had a passing grade on our scorecard. We only scored senators on nine votes, seven of them are the same as the votes in the house. If a state senator voted the same way as Rep Cal Bahr on those seven votes, he or she would've at least scored a C grade. Instead, the top scoring senators only had a score of 40%.

There's a big difference in scores between the New House Republican Caucus and the Old House Republican Caucus. Three of the four NHRC's members are the top voters (Bahr, Munson & Draskowski).

Action 4 Liberty usually releases our scorecard immediately following the regular legislative session. However, this year was unique because every time the Governor extended his emergency powers, he was required to call back the Legislature. We wanted to capture the entirety of their record in this scorecard.



VOTE TO **END** **WALZ'** **EMERGENCY** **POWERS**

Action 4 Liberty led the fight against Governor Walz' abuse of Chapter 12 "Emergency Powers" since March. It became clear to our team early on that Walz' shutdown was an illegal act and the biggest threat to our liberties in the modern era. We also knew that it would crush Minnesota's economy.

On April 14th, we worked with Reps Munson & Draskowski to force a procedural vote on the End Walz' Emergency Powers Resolution (HC8). That vote was opposed by Democrat and Republican leadership. Only eleven Republican legislators ignored the order by Minority Leader Kurt Daudt to oppose the Resolution. The vote only received 15 votes in support.

Two weeks later, after Action 4 Liberty pressured Republican legislators, the Resolution received support from all 59 Republicans in the House. Democrats were all sticking by their Party's Governor. The vote did not pass the House.

Action 4 Liberty started putting the heat on the Republican Senate. However, we could not find a champion to go against Majority Leader Paul Gazelka, who continued to kill the Resolution in caucus.

The Senate adjourned sine die in May without even a vote on the Resolution.

We started putting a lot of pressure on Senate Republican leadership in June and targeted vulnerable Democrats in the House to pass the Resolution when Governor Walz was obligated to call the Legislature back for a special session upon extending his emergency powers for another 30 days.

On June 13th, the Senate Republicans passed the Resolution with bipartisan support. In the Minnesota House, the Resolution failed but received two Democrats in support. Action 4 Liberty started to gain momentum on this important issue.

For the next four months we continued gaining more Democrat votes in the House. On the final pre-election vote in October, five Democrats supported the measure. In order to pass the Resolution, we needed four more Democrats. So we took the message to voters in targeted districts and on November 3rd, voters decided to fire those four Democrats.

2020 VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

Bill Title	Chamber	Description	Our position
Tobacco Age Increase (HF0331)	Both	Raising age to purchase tobacco to 21 to match federal law; restricts freedom of consumers	Against
Prescription Drug Price Transparency Act (SF 1098)	Both	Increased regulation on prescription drug companies	Against
Investment Loan Forgiveness (HF4602)	Both	Business handouts, providing loan forgiveness from state funds	Against
Supplemental Agriculture Finance (HF4490)	Both	Handouts for farmers using taxpayer money	Against
Energy Rebate Expansion (HF1842)	Both	Expansion of rebates for solar energy; government picking winners/losers	Against
Higher Education (SF3683)	Both	Policies that encourage students to seek government assistance, prevents institutions from withdrawing students for non-payment, etc	Against
\$1.9 Billion Debt Bill (HF1)	Both	Massive debt bill full of pork that would add \$1.9 Billion to the state credit card while the state is in a budget deficit	Against
Paid Family Leave (HF0005)	House	Expands government's role in private business contracts	Against
Firearm Background Checks (HF0008)	House	Firearm Background Checks Required	Against
Firearm Red Flag (HF0009)	House	Firearms; law enforcement and family members enabled to petition a court to prohibit people from possessing firearms	Against
Terminate Peacetime Emergency (HC8)	House	This was the first vote to End Walz' Emergency Powers; this was a procedural vote to suspend the rules to allow a vote on the Resolution	For
Economic Security Act (HF1507)	House	Taxpayer funded handouts	Against
MFIP Supplemental Payments (HF4582)	House	Adds more welfare benefits and dependence on government	Against
Labor Agreements (HF2768)	House	Increases wages for state employees while private sector enters a recession	Against
Vote to End Walz' Emergency Powers (October) (HC1)	House	Vote to End Walz' Emergency Powers; this was a procedural vote to suspend the rules to allow a vote on the Resolution; this was the last vote before the November election	For
Omnibus Human Services (SF3322)	Senate	Unconstitutional bill addressing multiple subjects, expanding government's role	Against
Vote to End Walz' Emergency Powers (October) (SC1)	Senate	Vote to End Walz' Emergency Powers	For

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Representative	Party	District	2019 Score	Lifetime Score	HF0331	SF1098	HF4602	HF4490	HF1842	SF3683	HF1	SF13	HF0005	HF0008	HF0009	HC8	HF1507	HF4582	HF2768	HC1
Tony Albright	R	55B	63%	51%	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Paul Anderson	R	12B	56%	47%	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Jeff Backer	R	12A	64%	54%	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	A	+	A	+	+	+	+	+
Cal Bahr	R	31B	100%	89%	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Dave Baker	R	17B	47%	34%	-	-	-	-	A	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Peggy Bennett	R	27A	56%	40%	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Greg Boe	R	47B	56%	52%	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Brian Daniels	R	24B	63%	45%	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Kurt Daudt	R	31A	86%	64%	+	+	A	-	+	A	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Greg Davids	R	28B	57%	54%	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	A	A	-	+	+	+	+
Lisa Demuth	R	13A	44%	41%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Bob Dettmer	R	39A	50%	42%	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Steve Drazkowski	R	21B	94%	95%	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Sondra Erickson	R	15A	69%	49%	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Dan Fabian	R	01A	69%	53%	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Mary Franson	R	08B	73%	60%	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Pat Garofalo	R	58B	69%	72%	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Steve Green	R	02B	81%	74%	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Matt Grossell	R	02A	81%	81%	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Glenn Gruenhagen	R	18B	75%	57%	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Bob Gunther	R	23A	56%	44%	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Barb Haley	R	21A	44%	40%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Rod Hamilton	R	22B	50%	36%	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
John Heinrich	R	35A	88%	89%	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Josh Heintzeman	R	10A	75%	74%	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Jerry Hertaus	R	33A	88%	78%	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+
Brian Johnson	R	32A	69%	55%	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Tony Jurgens	R	54B	44%	37%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Debra Kiel	R	01B	69%	70%	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Jon Koznick	R	58A	69%	57%	+	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+
Ron Kresha	R	09B	63%	39%	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+

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