

VOTING RECORD

YOUR LEGISLATORS' VOTING
RECORD ON SMALL BUSINESS
ISSUES | 2020 EDITION

Floor votes by your state legislators on key small business issues are listed here. The Voting Record does not reflect all elements considered by a lawmaker when voting, nor does it represent a complete profile of a legislator, but it can be a guide in evaluating a legislator's attitude toward small business. Many issues affecting small business are decided in committees and never make it to the floor of the House or Senate. Please thank those legislators who supported small business, and continue to work with those who have fallen short.

BOTH CHAMBERS

- 1. Retirement System (2019 HB 489):** The Kentucky Retirement System is one of the worst funded pension systems of any state. It has an estimated unfunded liability of almost \$5 Billion. Operational oversight has been a big problem for the system in the past. HB 489 strengthens the code of conduct for staff investment personnel, board members and contract investment consultants. **A "Yes" vote supports the NFIB position.** Passed the House 97-0. Passed the Senate 33-4.
- 2. Arbitration (2019 SB 7):** Senate Bill 7 allows employers to allow arbitration, mediation, or alternative dispute resolution agreements to be used as a condition or precondition of employment. This bill is designed to limit lawsuits and provide employers an opportunity to reach a settlement without incurring extensive costs of defense. **A "Yes" vote supports the NFIB position.** Passed the Senate 25-11. Passed the House 51-45.
- 3. Workforce Development (2019 SB 98):** This scholarship program was developed for students with high school diplomas for GEDs to achieve an industry recognized certificate, diploma or associate degree in one of five high demand workforce sectors. This program was created to meet critical shortages of qualified employees in: Healthcare; Business & Information Technology; Transportation & Logistics; Advanced Manufacturing; and Construction. The scholarship fills the gap for tuition after all federal and state grants and scholarships have been applied. **A "Yes" vote supports the NFIB position.** Passed the Senate 36-0. Passed the House 85-0.

- 4. COVID-19 (2020 SB 150):** SB 150 began life as an act addressing out-of-network billing for health insurance. In the late stages of the legislative session it was completely replaced with language providing guidance to the Executive branch. It specifically allowed for the extensions of licenses and the relaxation of requirements for transporting agricultural and essential goods. It specifically states that the unemployment reserve ratios shall not be impacted by the layoff of employees due to Executive Orders. **A "Yes" vote supports the NFIB position.** Passed the Senate 30-0. Passed the House 82-0.
- 5. Powers of Appointment (2020 HB 154):** Kentucky law required that in order to create a Power of Attorney, two disinterested witnesses and a notary were required to execute the document. This created a major hardship on small businesses that needed these powers to conduct business for a customer or client, such as registering a new car for a purchaser. HB 154 moved Kentucky to conformity with other states in needing only certification of the signature by a notary. This reduction in paperwork will benefit small business. **A "Yes" vote supports the NFIB position.** Passed the House 81-2. Passed the Senate 31-0.

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SENATE VOTING RECORD

ISSUE NUMBER NFIB POSITION	District	1	2	3	4	5	%
		Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100
LEGISLATOR							
Adams, Julie Raque (Louisville)	36	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	80%
Alvarado, Ralph (Winchester)	28	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Berg, Karen (Louisville)+	26	-	-	-	-	-	N/A
Buford, Tom (Nicholasville)	22	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	80%
Carpenter, Jared (Berea)	34	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Carroll, Danny (Paducah)	2	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Carroll, Julian M. (Frankfort)	7	Y	*	Y	*	*	N/A
Castlen, Matt (Owensboro)	8	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	N/A
Clark, Perry B. (Louisville)	37	Y	N	*	*	*	N/A
Embry, Jr., C.B. (Morgantown)	6	N	N	Y	*	*	N/A
Girdler, Rick (Somerset)	15	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Givens, David P. (Greensburg)	9	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Harper Angel, Denise (Louisville)	35	Y	N	Y	*	*	N/A
Harris, Ernie (Prospect)+	26	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	80%
Higdon, Jimmy (Lebanon)	14	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Hornback, Paul (Shelbyville)	20	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	N/A
Humphries, Stan (Cadiz)	1	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Kerr, Alice Forgy (Lexington)	12	Y	Y	Y	*	*	N/A
McDaniel, Christian (Taylor Mill)	23	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
McGarvey, Morgan (Louisville)	19	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	80%
Meredith, Stephen (Leitchfield)	5	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Mills, Robby (Henderson)	4	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Neal, Gerald A. (Louisville)	33	Y	N	Y	*	*	N/A
Nemes, Michael J. (Shepherdsville)+	38	-	-	-	Y	Y	N/A
Parrett, Dennis (Elizabethtown)	10	Y	N	Y	Y	*	N/A
Robinson, Albert (London)	21	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Schikel, John (Union)	11	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Schroder, Wil (Wilder)	24	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Seum, Dan (Fairdale)+	38	Y	Y	Y	-	-	N/A
Smith, Brandon (Hazard)	30	N	N	Y	Y	Y	60%
Stivers, II, Robert (Manchester)	25	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Thayer, Damon (Georgetown)	17	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Thomas, Reginald (Lexington)	13	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	80%
Turner, Johnny Ray (Prestonsburg)	29	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	80%
Webb, Robin L. (Grayson)	18	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	80%
West, Stephen (Paris)	27	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Westerfield, Whitney (Crofton)	3	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Wheeler, Phillip (Pikeville)+	31	-	-	-	Y	Y	N/A
Wilson, Mike (Bowling Green)	32	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Wise, Max (Campbellsville)	16	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%

+Senator Karen Berg replaced Ernie Harris in June 2020.

+Senator Michael Nemes replaced Dan Seum in January 2020.

+Senator Phillip Wheeler assumed office in March 2019.

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LEGISLATOR							
Lee, Stan (Lexington)	45	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Lewis, Derek (London)	90	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Lewis, Scott (Hartford)	14	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	80%
Maddox, Savannah (Dry Ridge)	61	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Marzian, Mary Lou (Louisville)	34	Y	N	*	*	*	N/A
Massey, C. Ed (Hebron)	66	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
McCool, Bobby (Van Lear)	97	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
McCoy, Chad (Bardstown)	50	*	Y	Y	Y	Y	N/A
Meade, David (Stanford)	80	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Meeks, Reginald (Louisville)	42	Y	N	*	*	*	N/A
Meredith, Michael (Oakland)	19	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Meyer, Russ A. (Nicholasville)	39	Y	*	*	Y	Y	N/A
Miles, Suzanne (Owensboro)	7	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Miller, Charles (Louisville)	28	Y	N	Y	*	*	N/A
Miller, Jerry T. (Louisville)	36	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Minter, Patti (Bowling Green)	20	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	80%
Moore, Tim (Elizabethtown)+	18	Y	*	Y	-	-	N/A
Moser, Kimberly Poore (Taylor Mill)	64	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Nemes, Jason (Louisville)+	33	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Osborne, David (Prospect)	59	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Palumbo, Ruth Ann (Lexington)	76	Y	N	*	*	*	N/A
Petrie, Jason (Elkton)	16	*	*	Y	Y	Y	N/A
Pratt, Phillip (Georgetown)	62	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Prunty, Melinda Gibbons (Belton)	15	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Rand, Rick (Bedford)	47	Y	N	*	*	*	N/A
Raymond, Josie (Louisville)	31	Y	N	Y	*	*	N/A
Reed, Brandon (Hodgenville)	24	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Riley, Steve (Glasgow)	23	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Roberts, Rachel (Newport)+	67	-	-	-	Y	Y	N/A
Rothenburger, Rob (Shelbyville)	58	Y	*	Y	Y	Y	N/A
Rowland, Bart (Tompkinsville)	21	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Rudy, Steven (Paducah)	1	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Santoro, Sal (Florence)	60	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Schamore, Dean (Hardinsburg)	10	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	80%
Scott, Attica (Louisville)	41	Y	N	*	*	Y	N/A
Sheldon, Steve (Bowling Green)	17	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Sims, Jr., John (Flemingsburg)	70	Y	Y	*	Y	*	N/A
Sorolis, Maris (Louisville)	48	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	80%
St. Onge, Diane (Fort Wright)+	63	Y	Y	Y	-	-	N/A
Stevenson, Cherlynn (Lexington)	88	Y	N	*	Y	N	50%
Stewart, III, Jim (Flat Lick)	86	Y	N	Y	*	*	N/A
Stone, Wilson (Scottsville)	22	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	80%
Tackett Laferty, Ashley (Martin)	95	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	80%
Tate, Nancy (Brandenburg)	27	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Thomas, Walker (Hopkinsville)	8	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Tipton, James (Taylorsville)	53	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Turner, Tommy (Somerset)	85	Y	N	Y	*	*	N/A
Upchurch, Ken (Monticello)	52	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Webber, Russell (Shepherdsville)	26	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%

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Westrom, Susan (Lexington)		79	Y	N	*	*	*	N/A
Wheatley, Buddy (Convington)		65	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	80%
White, Richard (Morehead)+		99	-	-	-	Y	Y	N/A
Wiederstein, Rob (Henderson)		11	Y	N	Y	Y	N	60%
Willner, Lisa (Louisville)		35	Y	N	*	Y	Y	75%
Yates, Les (Winchester)		73	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%

+Representative Kim Banta replaced Diane St. Onge in November 2019.

+Representative Samara Heavrin replaced Tim Moore in November 2019.

+Representative Richard White replaced Rocky Adkins in February 2020.

+Representative Rachel Roberts replaced Dennis Keene in February 2020.