



LOUISIANA MOTOR TRANSPORT ASSOCIATION



# ***LEGISLATIVE LOGBOOK***

**Leg·is·la·tive log·book** /leje slādiv lôg book/

(Noun) A trucking logbook is a record of the hours a truck driver works. This log tracks the time a driver spends on duty, off duty, driving or resting. Like a driver's logbook, LMTA's Legislative Logbook looks at our state's legislators and how they supported this year's trucking and business legislation.

# 2025 *Legislative Session*



## FROM THE **EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR** RENEE AMAR

As we emerge from a particularly heated legislative session, it is most gratifying to sift through the complexities and assess the actions taken over the past months with a focus on data.

This fiscal session was undeniably busy, as evidenced by the numerous votes cast. The House hit the ground running, working diligently to pass at least two dozen bills aimed at reforming the state's legal system. Their goal was not merely to rearrange existing structures, but to construct an entirely new framework. There was extensive debate surrounding various policy issues, and the House members certainly undertook a significant amount of the groundwork, which is clearly reflected in their legislative scorecards. We appreciate the leadership in the House for their efforts to ensure fair treatment within the state's court system.

In contrast, the Senate followed its usual pattern by only considering a select few of the bills passed by the House, ultimately rejecting the majority. While some commendable public policy measures were enacted, this experience highlights the reality that "more work needs to be done."

A notable concern regarding voting records this year was that a large portion of the votes took place over just one or two days. If a lawmaker missed that critical day, they effectively missed voting on half of the measures. **Consequently, we were hesitant to assign a percentage score to any legislator who only participated in a fraction of the votes; those individuals received a \*.** Their constituents are encouraged to inquire about their absence—some lawmakers were unwell, others had personal or professional obligations, and some reasons remain unknown. We leave this to you to explore. **Additionally, Rep. Terry Landry, who was elected mid-session, is marked with a \*\* as he did not have the chance to vote on the majority of bills.**





# SESSION SUPPORTERS

## Road War-ri-ors /rōd 'wôrēers/

(Noun) A brave soldier or fighter for the trucking industry. Starting in 2024, each year the LMTA names one legislator from the Louisiana House of Representatives and Louisiana State Senate, who embodies the definition of this award. These legislators are selected from the "Big Rigs" legislative group, holding the highest score for voting with the LMTA position but also serving as our biggest champions and leaders.

# 100%



Rep Emily Chenevert  
R - District 66



Sen Blake Miguez  
R - District 22

## Big Rigs /'big rigs' /

(Noun) A big rig, also known as a semitrailer, is a large truck with an attached trailer that is used for hauling freight. These legislators hold a 100% voting record with the LMTA, hauling through this legislative session and pulling their weight in supporting the trucking industry.

# 100%



Rep Beryl Amedée  
R - District 51



Rep Josh Carlson  
R - District 43



Rep Raymond Crews  
R - District 8



Rep Kellee Dickerson  
R - District 64



Rep Kathy Edmonston  
R - District 88



Rep Peter Egan  
R - District 74



Rep Jay Gallé  
R - District 104



Rep John Illg  
R - District 78



Rep Dixon McMakin  
R - District 68



Rep Michael Melerine  
R - District 6

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# 100%



**Rep Joseph Orgeron**  
R - District 54



**Rep Rodney Schamerhorn**  
R - District 24



**Rep Mark Wright**  
R - District 77



**Rep Jerome Zeringue**  
R - District 52

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**Sen Robert Allain**  
R - District 21



**Sen Adam Bass**  
R - District 36



**Sen Rick Edmonds**  
R - District 6



**Sen Michael Fesi**  
R - District 20

SENATE



**Sen Valarie Hodges**  
R - District 13



**Sen Thomas Pressly**  
R - District 38



**Sen Alan Seabaugh**  
R - District 31



**Sen William Wheat**  
R - District 37

# SESSION SUPPORTERS



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95%



Rep Dennis Bamburg  
R - District 5

95%



Rep Kimberly Coates  
R - District 73

95%



Rep Paula Davis  
R - District 69

95%



Rep Jessica Domangue  
R - District 53

## Horse·pow·er

/hôrs,pouer/

(Noun) Unit of measurement for power of an engine. These legislators hold a 90% or higher voting record with the LMTA making them the driving force of advocacy in the legislature for our industry.

95%



Rep Gabe Firmant  
R - District 22

95%



Rep Danny McCormick  
R - District 1

95%



Rep Charles Owen  
R - District 30

95%



Rep Phillip Tarver  
R - District 36

95%



Rep John Wyble  
R - District 75

91%



Rep Stephanie Berault  
R - District 76

91%



Rep Kim Carver  
R - District 89

91%



Rep Barbara Freiberg  
R - District 70

91%



Rep Chance Henry  
R - District 42

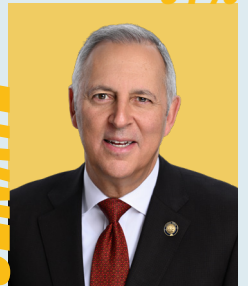
91%



Rep Jacob Landry  
R - District 49

HOUSE

94%



Sen Mark Abraham  
R - District 25

SENATE

94%



Sen Stewart Cathey  
R - District 33

94%



Sen Heather Cloud  
R - District 28

94%



Sen Franklin Foil  
R - District 16

94%



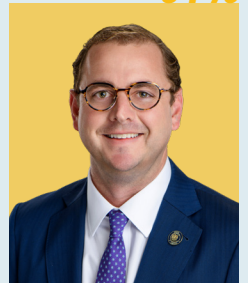
Sen Cameron Henry  
R - District 9  
Senate President

94%



Sen Caleb Kleinpeter  
R - District 17

94%



Sen Patrick McMath  
R - District 11

94%



+90%

**Horse·pow·er** /hôrs,pouer/

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Sen Beth Mizell  
R - District 12

94%



Sen Jay Morris  
R - District 35

94%



Sen Brach Myers  
R - District 23\*

94%



Sen Bob Owen  
R - District 1

94%



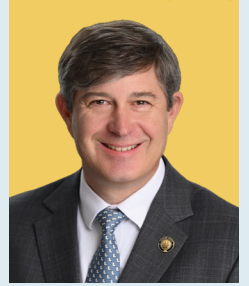
Sen Mike Reese  
R - District 30

94%



Sen Jeremy Stine  
R - District 27

94%



Sen Kirk Talbot  
R - District 10

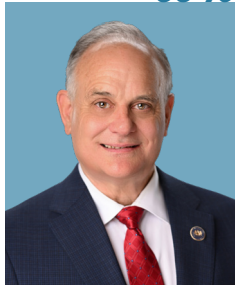
\*Note: Sen Brach Myers was elected mid-session.

+80%

**Long Haulers** /lông 'hôlerz/

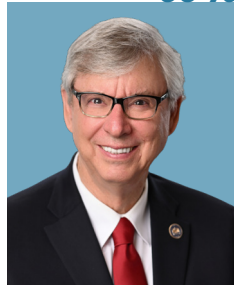
(Noun) Drivers who cover 250+ miles per trip, spending days or weeks away from home to keep freight moving. Likewise, these legislators go the distance for Louisiana's trucking industry—with 80%+ voting records, they're the steady force behind LMTA's biggest wins.

86%



Rep Tony Bacala  
R - District 59

86%



Rep Larry Bagley  
R - District 7

86%



Rep Michael Bayham  
R - District 103

86%



Rep Beau Beaulieu  
R - District 48

86%



Rep Beth Billings  
R - District 56

86%



Rep Chad Boyer  
R - District 46

86%



Rep Rhonda Butler  
R - District 38

86%



Rep Michael Echols  
R - District 14

86%



Rep Julie Emerson  
R - District 39

86%



Rep Les Farnum  
R - District 33

86%



Rep Bryan Fontenot  
R - District 55

86%



Rep Brett Geymann  
R - District 35



# +80%

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86%



Rep Brian Glorioso  
R - District 90

86%



Rep Troy Hebert  
R - District 31

86%



Rep Dodie Horton  
R - District 9

86%



Rep Jack McFarland  
R - District 13

82%



Rep Ryan Bourriaque  
R - District 47

82%



Rep Daryl Deshotel  
R - District 28

82%



Rep Foy Gadberry  
R - District 15

82%



Rep Mike Johnson  
R - District 27

82%



Rep Wayne McMahan  
R - District 10

82%



Rep Neil Riser  
R - District 20

82%



Rep Troy Romero  
R - District 37

82%



Rep Laurie Schlegel  
R - District 82

82%



Rep Vincent St. Blanc, III  
R - District 10

82%



Rep Polly Thomas  
R - District 80

82%



Rep Christopher Turner  
R - District 12

82%



Rep Debbie Villio  
R - District 79

HOUSE

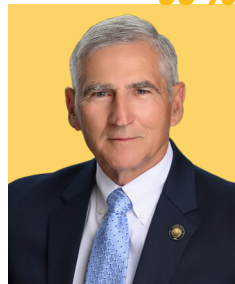
88%



Sen Bob Hensgen  
R - District 26

SENATE

88%



Sen Eddie Lambert  
R - District 18

88%



Sen Glen Womack  
R - District 32

# SESSION SUPPORTERS



# VOTING RECORD

## LEGISLATIVE VOTING RECORD ON TRUCKING-RELATED ISSUES

### HOUSE VOTES *Votes are formatted as (yay - nays - absent).*

1. **HB 148** by Rep Wiley, rate setting. Requires insurers to provide prior premium amounts with renewals and repeals distinctions in market regulation. **A no vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed House (67–33–4). Effective date: 08/01/2025.
  - **HB 148, Amendment** by Rep Glorioso. **A no vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (67–33–4).
  - **HB 148, concur** in Senate amendments. **A no vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (76–18–11).
2. **HB 336** by Rep Wilder, venue for uninsured motorist action. Provides relative to venue for certain actions involving uninsured and underinsured motorist policies. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed House (67–25–12). Stalled in Senate Judiciary A Committee.
3. **HB 427** by Rep Bamburg, reversionary trust. Provides for a reversionary trust. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed House (63–23–18). Stalled in Senate Judiciary A Committee.
4. **HB 431** by Rep Chenevert, modified comparative fault. Establishes modified comparative fault standards. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (67–26–11). Effective date: 01/01/2026.
  - **HB 431, concur** in Senate amendments. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (75–22–8).
5. **HB 432** by Rep Chenevert, third party litigation agreements. Provides relative to disclosure of financing agreements. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed House (83–6–15). Stalled in Senate Judiciary A Committee.
6. **HB 434** by Rep Dewitt, “no pay, no play.” Limits recovery for individuals who fail to maintain insurance. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (76–14–14). Effective 8/1/2025.
7. **HB 435** by Rep Egan, damages cap. Provides limitations relative to claims for general damages. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed House (63–23–18). Stalled in Senate Judiciary A Committee.
8. **HB 436** by Rep Firment, bars recovery for illegal aliens. Prohibits recovery of certain damages by unauthorized aliens. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (69–17–18). Effective 8/1/2025.
9. **HB 439** by Rep Hebert, limit attorney fees. Provides relative to a limit on attorney fees. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (57–30–17). Stalled in Senate Judiciary A Committee.
10. **HB 440** by Rep Henry, requires use of health insurance when available. Provides relative to a claimant’s duty to mitigate damages with respect to the actions for recovery. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (64–27–13). Stalled in Senate Judiciary A Committee.
11. **HB 443** by Rep Henry, insurance notification. Provides relative to certain notifications in delictual actions. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (70–22–12). Stalled in Senate Judiciary A Committee.
12. **HB 449** by Rep Carlson, attorney disclosure. Provides relative to fees reasonably expected to be earned by an attorney. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (63–23–18). Stalled in Senate Judiciary A Committee.
13. **HB 450** by Rep Melerine, “Housely presumption.” Creates evidentiary presumptions in personal injury cases. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (68–24–12). Effective 5/28/2025.
14. **HB 561** by Rep Firment, surplus lines for insurance. Provides policy provisions and exceptions relative to surplus lines insurance. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (75–26–3). Stalled on Senate floor.
15. **HB 660** by Rep Boyd, fees on trailers. Provides relative to the annual registration tax applicable to trucks and trailers statewide (EG INCREASE SD RV See Note). **A no vote is a vote with LMTA.** Failed in the House (61–32–11) and again (32–61–12).
16. **HB 677** by Rep Carver, attorney advertising. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (75–25–4). Stalled in Senate Judiciary A Committee.
17. **SB 111** by Sen Seabaugh, fair claims processing. Establishes fair claims handling standards. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (56–44–5). **Vetoed by the Governor.**
18. **SB 231** by Sen Reese, medical billing transparency. Clarifies recoverable medical expenses in litigation. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the House (81–15–9). Effective 1/1/2026.





# VOTING RECORD

## LEGISLATIVE VOTING RECORD ON TRUCKING-RELATED ISSUES

### SENATE VOTES *Votes are formatted as (yay - nays - absent).*

1. **HB 148** by Rep Wiley, rate setting. Requires insurers to provide prior premium amounts with renewals and repeals distinctions in market regulation. **A no vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed Senate (26–8–5). Effective date: 08/01/2025.
  - **HB 148, Amendment** by Sen Talbot. **A no vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the Senate (26–9–4).
2. **HB 431** by Rep Chenevert, modified comparative fault. Establishes modified comparative fault standards. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the Senate (28–9–2). Effective date: 01/01/2026.
  - **HB 431, Amendment** by Sen Luneau. **A no vote is a vote with LMTA.** Failed in the Senate (10–27–2).
3. **HB 434** by Rep Dewitt, “no pay, no play.” Limits recovery for individuals who fail to maintain insurance. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the Senate (28–9–2). Effective 8/1/2025.
  - **HB 434, Amendment** by Sen Duplessis. **A no vote is a vote with LMTA.** Failed in the Senate (11–26–2).
4. **HB 436** by Rep Firment, bars recovery for illegal aliens. Prohibits recovery of certain damages by unauthorized aliens. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the Senate (27–10–2). Effective 8/1/2025.
  - **HB 436, Amendment** by Sen Miguez. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the Senate (27–9–3).
  - **HB 436, Amendment** by Sen Luneau. **A no vote is a vote with LMTA.** Failed in the Senate (10–27–2).
  - **HB 436, Amendment** by Sen Jackson-Andrews. **A no vote is a vote with LMTA.** Failed in the Senate (10–27–2).
  - **HB 436, Additional Amendment** by Sen Luneau. **A no vote is a vote with LMTA.** Failed in the Senate (10–26–3).
5. **HB 450** by Rep Melerine, “Housely presumption.” Creates evidentiary presumptions in personal injury cases. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the Senate (28–9–2). Effective 5/28/2025.
  - **HB 450, Amendment** by Sen Jenkins. **A no vote is a vote with LMTA.** Failed in the Senate (12–25–2).
6. **SB 111** by Sen Seabaugh, fair claims processing. Establishes fair claims handling standards. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the Senate (26–13–0). **Vetoed by the Governor.**
  - **SB 111, Amendment** by Sen Seabaugh. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the Senate (27–11–1).
7. **SB 231** by Sen Reese, medical billing transparency. Clarifies recoverable medical expenses in litigation. **A yes vote is a vote with LMTA.** Passed in the Senate (26–11–2). Effective 1/1/2026.



# HOUSE

## REPRESENTATIVES RANKED BY SCORE *Sorted by LMTA voting record score.*

REP.	SCORE	REP.	SCORE	REP.	SCORE	REP.	SCORE
Amedée	100.00%	Henry	90.91%	Thomas	81.82%	Knox	9.09%
Carlson	100.00%	Landry, J	90.91%	Turner	81.82%	Moore	9.09%
Chenevert	100.00%	Bacala	86.36%	Villio	81.82%	Larvadain	4.55%
Crews	100.00%	Bagley	86.36%	Carrier	77.27%	Lyons	4.55%
Dickerson	100.00%	Bayham	86.36%	DeVillier	77.27%	Marcelle	4.55%
Edmonston	100.00%	Beaullieu	86.36%	Mack	77.27%	Mena	4.55%
Egan	100.00%	Billings	86.36%	Spell	77.27%	Newell	4.55%
Gallé	100.00%	Boyer	86.36%	Cox	72.73%	Willard	4.55%
Illg	100.00%	Butler	86.36%	Wiley	72.73%	Bryant	0.00%
McMakin	100.00%	Echols	86.36%	Wilder	68.18%	Landry, M	0.00%
Melerine	100.00%	Emerson	86.36%	Muscarello	54.55%	Phelps	0.00%
Orgeron	100.00%	Farnum	86.36%	Ventrella	54.55%	Taylor	0.00%
Schamerhorn	100.00%	Fontenot	86.36%	Adams	50.00%	Braud	*
Wright	100.00%	Geymann	86.36%	LaCombe	40.91%	Brown	*
Zeringue	100.00%	Glorioso	86.36%	Jackson	36.36%	Carter, W	*
Bamburg	95.45%	Hebert	86.36%	Stagni	31.82%	Chassion	*
Coates	95.45%	Horton	86.36%	Brass	27.27%	DeWitt	*
Davis	95.45%	McFarland	86.36%	Fisher	18.18%	Freeman	*
Domangue	95.45%	Bourriaque	81.82%	Green	13.64%	Hilferty	*
Firment	95.45%	Deshotel	81.82%	Johnson, T	13.64%	Kerner	*
McCormick	95.45%	Gadberry	81.82%	LaFleur	13.64%	Landry, T	**
Owen	95.45%	Johnson, M	81.82%	Miller	13.64%	Thompson	*
Tarver	95.45%	McMahan	81.82%	Boyd	9.09%	Walters	*
Wyble	95.45%	Riser	81.82%	Carpenter	9.09%	Young	*
Berault	90.91%	Romero	81.82%	Carter, R	9.09%		
Carver	90.91%	Schlegel	81.82%	Hughes	9.09%		
Freiberg	90.91%	St. Blanc	81.82%	Jordan	9.09%		





# HOUSE

## REPRESENTATIVES IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER *Sorted by last name.*

REP.	SCORE	REP.	SCORE	REP.	SCORE	REP.	SCORE
Adams	50.00%	Crews	100.00%	Illg	100.00%	Owen	95.45%
Amedée	100.00%	Davis	95.45%	Jackson	36.36%	Phelps	0.00%
Bacala	86.36%	Deshotel	81.82%	Johnson, M	81.82%	Riser	81.82%
Bagley	86.36%	DeVillier	77.27%	Johnson, T	13.64%	Romero	81.82%
Bamburg	95.45%	DeWitt	*	Jordan	9.09%	Schamerhorn	100.00%
Bayham	86.36%	Dickerson	100.00%	Kerner	22.73%	Schlegel	81.82%
Beaullieu	86.36%	Domangue	95.45%	Knox	9.09%	Spell	77.27%
Berault	90.91%	Echols	86.36%	LaCombe	40.91%	St. Blanc	81.82%
Billings	86.36%	Edmonston	100.00%	LaFleur	13.64%	Stagni	31.82%
Bourriaque	81.82%	Egan	100.00%	Landry, J	90.91%	Tarver	95.45%
Boyd	9.09%	Emerson	86.36%	Landry, M	0.00%	Taylor	0.00%
Boyer	86.36%	Farnum	86.36%	Landry, T	**	Thomas	81.82%
Brass	27.27%	Firment	95.45%	Larvadain	4.55%	Thompson	*
Braud	*	Fisher	18.18%	Lyons	4.55%	Turner	81.82%
Brown	*	Fontenot	86.36%	Mack	77.27%	Ventrella	54.55%
Bryant	0.00%	Freeman	*	Marcelle	4.55%	Villio	81.82%
Butler	86.36%	Freiberg	90.91%	McCormick	95.45%	Walters	*
Carlson	100.00%	Gadberry	81.82%	McFarland	86.36%	Wilder	68.18%
Carpenter	9.09%	Gallé	100.00%	McMahen	81.82%	Wiley	72.73%
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Chassion	*	Henry	90.91%	Moore	9.09%	Zeringue	100.00%
Chenevert	100.00%	Hilferty	*	Muscarello	54.55%		
Coates	95.45%	Horton	86.36%	Newell	4.55%		
Cox	72.73%	Hughes	9.09%	Orgeron	100.00%		



# SENATE

## SENATORS RANKED BY SCORE

Sorted by LMTA voting record score.

SEN.	SCORE
Allain	100.00%
Bass	100.00%
Edmonds	100.00%
Fesi	100.00%
Hodges	100.00%
Miguez	100.00%
Pressly	100.00%
Seabaugh	100.00%
Wheat	100.00%
Abraham	93.75%
Cathey	93.75%
Cloud	93.75%
Foil	93.75%
Henry	93.75%
Kleinpeter	93.75%
McMath	93.75%
Mizell	93.75%
Morris	93.75%
Myers	93.75%
Owen	93.75%
Reese	93.75%
Stine	93.75%

SEN.	SCORE
Talbot	93.75%
Hensgens	87.50%
Lambert	87.50%
Womack	87.50%
Miller	56.25%
Connick	50.00%
Barrow	6.25%
Boudreaux	0.00%
Bouie	0.00%
Duplessis	0.00%
Jackson	0.00%
Jenkins	0.00%
Luneau	0.00%
Price	0.00%
Selders	0.00%
Carter	*
Harris	*

Legislators with limited vote participation are marked with an asterisk (\*).





# SENATE

## SENATORS IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER

*Sorted by last name.*

SEN.	SCORE
Abraham	93.75%
Allain	100.00%
Barrow	6.25%
Bass	100.00%
Boudreaux	0.00%
Bouie	0.00%
Carter	*
Cathey	93.75%
Cloud	93.75%
Connick	50.00%
Duplessis	0.00%
Edmonds	100.00%
Fesi	100.00%
Foil	93.75%
Harris	*
Henry	93.75%
Hensgens	87.50%
Hodges	100.00%
Jackson	0.00%
Jenkins	0.00%
Kleinpeter	93.75%
Lambert	87.50%

SEN.	SCORE
Luneau	0.00%
McMath	93.75%
Miguez	100.00%
Miller	56.25%
Mizell	93.75%
Morris	93.75%
Myers	93.75%
Owen	93.75%
Pressly	100.00%
Price	0.00%
Reese	93.75%
Seabaugh	100.00%
Selders	0.00%
Stine	93.75%
Talbot	93.75%
Wheat	100.00%
Womack	87.50%

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# ***FULL SCORECARD AVAILABLE***

Individual voting records on all LMTA-tracked bills and key amendments are now available for every member of the Louisiana House of Representatives and Louisiana State Senate. These scorecards provide a clear, data-driven look at how lawmakers voted on critical legislation affecting Louisiana's trucking industry, civil justice system, and business climate.

This year's legislative session was marked by intense debate and high-stakes decisions—particularly on legal reform. Many of the key votes occurred within a condensed timeframe, meaning absences during this period significantly affected participation. Legislators who missed a majority of these votes were not assigned a percentage score and are instead marked with an asterisk (\*). Rep. Terry Landry, who joined the House mid-session, is noted with a double asterisk (\*\*), reflecting his limited opportunity to vote.

We encourage you to review these records and see how your lawmakers voted. Use the links below to access the full scorecards for both chambers.

## ***VIEW SCORECARD***

