



# **2010 Legislative Scorecard**

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**2009/2010 Roll Call Vote Scores**

***South Carolina Business & Industry  
Political Education Committee***

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# **SC BIPEC Legislative Scorecard**

For every session of the South Carolina General Assembly since 1985, SC BIPEC has used roll call votes on business and industry issues to calculate a Vote Score for each member of the South Carolina Senate and House of Representatives. BIPEC's Vote Scores accurately reflect a legislator's voting record on business and industry issues. The process for calculating a Vote Score is as follows: 1) the BIPECPAC Executive Board rates bills Business Positive or Business Negative; 2) roll call votes on BIPECPAC Rated Bills are recorded from the official legislative journals; 3) each bill vote is weighted relative to all bills under consideration; 4) a raw vote score is calculated based on each legislator's recorded votes; and 5) points are awarded for sponsoring Business Positive legislation and deducted for sponsoring Business Negative legislation.

The BIPEC District Score represents the strength of business and industry in each legislative district and is determined by applying numerous demographic variables and algorithms. Districts with higher scores are more likely to elect pro-business legislators and result in higher expectations on the part of business and industry. District Scores change approximately every ten years with reapportionment.

## **South Carolina House of Representatives 2009 & 2010**

<u>Legislator</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>District Score</u>		<u>Vote Score</u>		<u>Legislator</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>District Score</u>		<u>Vote Score</u>	
		<u>Score</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>			<u>Score</u>	<u>Score</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>
Agnew, Paul L.	11	40.12	31.55	63.60	Hardwick, Nelson L.	106	85.16	54.27	94.30		
Alexander, Terry	59	28.50	11.18	41.90	Harrell, Robert W.	114	100	93.73	90.20		
Allen, Karl B.	25	22.84	24.00	53.55	Harrison, James H.	75	100	70.27	90.30		
Allison, Rita A.	36	55.94	89.18	94.70	Hart, Chris R.	73	11.76	21.55	33.10		
Anderson, Carl L.	103	20.49	18.82	62.40	Harvin, Cathy B.	64	27.78	18.52	42.88		
Anthony, Mike A.	42	37.24	31.82	44.50	Hayes, Jackie E.	55	26.98	38.82	55.70		
Bales, Jimmy C.	80	62.75	48.91	72.80	Hearn, George M.	105	63.62	56.73	88.00		
Ballentine, Nathan	71	100	58.11	100+	Herbkersman, Bill	118	25.62	60.73	58.00		
Bannister, Bruce W.	24	100	63.27	84.10	Hiott, David R.	4	57.16	69.45	92.00		
Barfield, Liston D.	58	46.89	63.55	81.78	Hodges, Kenneth F.	121	31.00	19.45	31.60		
Battle, Jim A.	57	17.62	53.00	80.00	Horne, Jenny A.	94	77.28	89.09	88.30		
Bedingfield, Eric M.	28	88.52	100+	100+	Hosey, Lonnie	91	21.23	7.82	27.40		
Bingham, Kenny A.	89	69.52	79.64	97.10	Howard, Leon	76	40.19	7.36	30.90		
Bowen, Don C.	8	60.09	71.82	75.70	Huggins, Chip	85	100	70.91	95.02		
Bowers, Bill K.	120	40.93	38.36	26.20	Hutto, Anne P.	115	100	21.91	63.80		
Brady, Joan B.	78	100	60.68	69.70	Jefferson, Joseph H.	102	32.02	16.45	30.20		
Branham, Lester P.	61	34.57	41.91	68.00	Jennings, Douglas	54	20.11	45.27	45.14		
Brantley, Curtis	122	34.04	27.27	38.90	Kelly, R. Keith	35	74.30	80.97	89.70		
Brown, Grady A.	50	16.92	3.64	55.50	Kennedy, Kenneth	101	16.51	16.00	23.11		
Brown, H. Boyd	41	18.50	50.00	71.55	King, John Richard C.	49	40.65	6.91	29.40		
Brown, Robert L.	116	39.52	19.73	40.84	Kirsh, Herb	47	69.20	71.35	60.58		
Cato, Harry F.	17	68.58	63.26	95.59	Knight, Patsy G.	97	46.17	22.00	71.90		
Chalk, Richard E.	123	100	72.18	85.10	Limehouse, Chip B.	110	100	68.82	88.54		
Clemmons, Alan D.	107	90.29	52.27	83.10	Littlejohn, Lanny F.	33	64.65	68.09	82.40		
Clyburn, Bill	82	25.90	19.00	76.90	Loftis, Dwight A.	19	63.69	64.09	86.66		
Cobb-Hunter, Gilda	66	18.43	6.82	45.70	Long, Deborah A.	45	49.54	71.91	78.70		
Cole, J. Derham	32	73.77	86.00	90.50	Lowe, Phillip D.	60	59.21	55.91	78.60		
Cooper, Dan T.	10	78.51	68.18	78.10	Lucas, Jay H.	65	46.93	71.79	75.90		
Crawford, Kris R.	63	100	67.87	85.39	Mack, David J.	109	24.72	14.55	46.80		
Daning, Joe S.	92	81.58	78.27	83.90	McEachern, Joe A.	77	52.78	14.45	69.70		
Delleney, F. Greg	43	53.72	81.45	88.10	McLeod, Walt J.	40	45.26	18.49	62.40		
Dillard, Chandra E.	23	19.92	19.27	59.30	Merrill, James H.	99	60.36	64.90	86.12		
Duncan, Jeff D.	15	42.78	81.12	94.89	Miller, Vida O.	108	74.40	46.14	75.80		
Edge, Tracy R.	104	63.86	32.45	54.80	Millwood, Joey B.	38	66.49	100+	100+		
Erickson, Shannon	124	75.19	75.25	84.00	Mitchell, Harold	31	8.33	16.55	51.86		
Forrester, P. Mike	34	75.48	100+	99.80	Moss, Dennis C.	29	52.33	46.88	94.30		
Frye, Marion B.	39	43.96	70.64	79.80	Moss, V. Steve	30	38.19	32.80	79.70		
Funderburk, Laurie	52	52.20	62.84	72.70	Nanney, Wendy K.	22	89.59	76.39	91.64		
Gambrell, Mike W.	7	48.88	51.82	77.40	Neal, Jimmy M.	44	41.90	12.36	68.90		
Gilliard, Wendell G.	111	33.23	22.36	24.40	Neal, Joe H.	70	24.84	36.18	24.70		
Govan, Jerry N.	95	41.86	20.62	77.12	Neilson, Denny W.	56	42.42	50.19	57.30		
Gunn, Anton J.	79	100	39.00	70.90	Norman, Ralph W.	48	100	NS	100+		
Haley, Nikki R.	87	100	64.18	84.99	Ott, Harry L.	93	42.13	40.73	61.60		
Hamilton, Dan P.	20	95.49	100+	100+	Owens, Phil D.	5	66.80	76.18	93.90		

+ -Score exceeded 100

NS -Not serving during the legislative session

**South Carolina  
House of Representatives  
2009 & 2010 (Continued)**

<u>Legislator</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Vote Score</u>		
		<u>Score</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>
Parker, Steve A.	37	54.41	88.36	97.60
Parks, J. Anne	12	16.41	15.73	49.60
Pinson, Gene	13	61.77	63.45	71.60
Pitts, Mike A.	14	48.17	73.70	70.60
Pitts, Ted H.	69	100	79.73	*
Rice, Rex F.	26	53.96	83.30	100+
Rutherford, J. Todd	74	28.74	17.09	1.00
Sandifer, Bill E.	2	67.65	59.09	87.80
Scott, Tim E.	117	52.56	75.09	87.80
Sellers, Bakari T.	90	30.29	18.73	36.80
Simrill, J. Gary	46	80.38	87.82	80.30
Skelton, B.R.	3	77.50	59.55	80.60
Smith, Donald C.	83	80.16	68.27	91.90
Smith, G. Murrell	67	60.49	50.84	79.10
Smith, Garry R.	27	100	100+	99.80
Smith, J. Roland	84	46.72	63.55	97.10
Smith, James E.	72	87.91	68.09	45.70
Sottile, F. Mike	112	100	77.64	82.70
Spires, L. Kit	96	51.25	65.63	80.20
Stavrinakis, Leon E.	119	100	54.18	65.40
Stewart, Jim E.	86	51.04	72.75	100+
Stringer, Tommy M.	18	65.20	87.64	97.40
Thompson, Michael D.	9	54.37	83.82	82.30
Toole, Mac R.	88	73.09	76.55	100+
Umphlett, C. David	100	60.46	58.55	79.70
Vick, Ted M.	53	36.09	28.73	39.70
Viers, Thad T.	68	72.65	58.00	86.20
Weeks, J. David	51	16.17	22.27	48.50
Whipper, J. Seth	113	26.78	2.43	7.10
White, W. Brian	6	66.10	62.27	86.90
Whitmire, Bill R.	1	58.34	55.82	96.30
Williams, Robert Q.	62	19.78	14.18	56.30
Willis, Mark N.	16	41.74	81.38	93.20
Wylie, Bill T.	21	100	83.09	100+
Young, Annette D.	98	95.70	66.00	95.10
Young, Tom R.	81	100	96.00	100+

**South Carolina Senate  
2009 & 2010**

<u>Legislator</u>	<u>District</u>	<u>Vote Score</u>		
		<u>Score</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2010</u>
Alexander, Thomas C.	1	65.59	62.27	83.90
Anderson, Ralph	7	29.82	61.27	39.15
Bright, Lee	12	68.72	76.64	83.95
Bryant, Kevin L.	3	76.59	78.28	91.00
Campbell, Paul G.	44	80.33	86.00	74.78
Campsen, Chip E.	43	59.52	83.94	71.38
Cleary, Raymond E.	34	100	58.73	62.90
Coleman, Creighton B.	17	27.93	49.65	29.65
Courson, John E.	20	100	53.13	86.75
Cromer, Ronnie W.	18	58.57	46.65	81.93
Davis, Tom	46	93.89	69.09	89.00
Elliott, Dick	28	50.84	68.64	74.55
Fair, Michael L.	6	100	73.00	78.80
Ford, Robert	42	22.57	40.27	12.25
Grooms, Larry K.	37	51.87	85.72	73.85
Hayes, R. Wes	15	75.00	60.27	77.20
Hutto, C. Bradley	40	33.14	45.04	36.75
Jackson, Darrell	21	32.67	40.94	40.25
Knotts, Jake M.	23	100	59.00	75.15
Land, John C.	36	22.38	57.27	41.05
Leatherman, Hugh K.	31	69.20	53.03	81.90
Leventis, Phil P.	35	49.89	30.91	38.55
Lourie, Joel	22	100	61.27	74.02
Malloy, Gerald	29	34.42	47.00	55.55
Martin, Larry A.	2	64.70	81.00	75.20
Martin, Shane R.	13	66.28	74.09	80.30
Massey, A. Shane	25	40.27	84.73	82.60
Matthews, John W.	39	25.49	60.27	NA
McConnell, Glenn F.	41	100	100+	79.70
McGill, J. Yancey	32	18.14	49.00	64.75
Mulvaney, J. Mick	16	64.19	64.64	89.30
Nicholson, Floyd	10	39.50	70.12	49.72
O'Dell, Billy H.	4	45.21	52.94	62.30
Peeler, Harvey S.	14	53.02	79.76	78.10
Pinckney, Clementa C.	45	32.46	62.00	26.45
Rankin, Luke A.	33	70.11	64.76	68.10
Reese, Glenn G.	11	42.80	64.12	57.10
Rose, Mike T.	38	76.68	68.36	65.70
Ryberg, W. Greg	24	77.65	56.09	66.80
Scott, John L.	19	33.76	60.27	55.55
Setzler, Nikki G.	26	58.61	59.27	85.60
Sheheen, Vincent A.	27	42.19	35.17	47.12
Shoopman, Phil W.	5	66.55	73.91	89.00
Thomas, David L.	8	100	50.34	76.09
Verdin, Danny B.	9	53.37	72.91	85.00
Williams, Kent M	30	18.40	50.00	42.17

\* -Active military service

+ -Score exceeded 100

NA -Extended absence for health matters

**2010 Session House Roll Call Votes Used in BIPEC  
Legislative Scorecard Calculations**

- 1) Sustaining the Veto of the Governor- Judicial Department (H3161). Preferred Vote: Nay; Business Positive---3.90% of Score
- 2) Second Reading- Legislative Audit Council (H3192). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive---4.80% of Score
- 3) Second Reading- Secretary of State (H3279). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive---2.30% of Score
- 4) Third Reading- Secretary of State (H3279). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive---2.40% of Score
- 5) Third Reading- Secretary of State (H3279). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive---2.70% of Score
- 6) Motion to Continue the Joint Resolution- Superintendent of Education (H3280). Preferred Vote: Nay; Business Positive---3.40% of Score
- 7) Third Reading- Superintendent of Education (H3280). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive---3.50% of Score
- 8) Concurrence in Senate Amendments- Secret Ballot (H3305). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive---13.80% of Score
- 9) Second Reading- Property Improvements (H3354). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive---3.10% of Score
- 10) Adopting Conference Committee Report- General Reserve Fund (H3395). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive---7.20% of Score
- 11) Motion to Table the Motion to Adjourn Debate- Tort Reform (H3489). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive---7.40% of Score
- 12) Third Reading- Tort Reform (H3489). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive---9.00% of Score
- 13) Overriding the Veto of the Governor- Cigarette Tax Increase (H3584). Preferred Vote: Nay; Business Negative---3.20% of Score
- 14) Second Reading- Local Option Tax Exemption (H3768). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive---2.40% of Score
- 15) Motion to Adjourn Debate on the Bill- Health Care Mandate Prohibition (H4181). Preferred Vote: Nay; Business Positive---5.30% of Score
- 16) Motion to Reconsider the Motion to Commit the Bill to Committee- Health Care Mandate Prohibition (H4181). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive---5.00% of Score

- 17) Second Reading- Unemployment Insurance Benefits Eligibility (H4303). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive--6.80% of Score
- 18) Second Reading- Local Option Tourism Development Fees (H4310). Preferred Vote: Nay; Business Negative---2.60% of Score
- 19) Motion to Table the Motion to Commit the Bill to Committee- Alternate Local Option Tourism Development Fee (H4344). Preferred Vote: Nay; Business Negative---2.80% of Score
- 20) Second Reading- Alternate Local Option Tourism Development Fee (H4344). Preferred Vote: Nay; Business Negative---2.40% of Score
- 21) Second Reading- Attorney's Fees Limitation (S0186). Preferred Vote: Yea; Business Positive---6.00% of Score

**2010 Session Senate Roll Call Votes Used in BIPEC  
Legislative Scorecard Calculations**

- 1) Second Reading- Judicial Department (H3161). Preferred Vote: Aye; Business Positive---3.10% of Score
- 2) Third Reading- Point of Sale (H3272). Preferred Vote: Aye; Business Positive---7.15% of Score
- 3) Second Reading- Secret Ballot (H3305). Preferred Vote: Aye; Business Positive---15.30% of Score
- 4) Adopting the Report of the Committee- General Fund Reserve (H3395). Preferred Vote: Aye; Business Positive--5.35% of Score
- 5) Adopting the Report of the Conference Committee- Employment Security Commission Restructuring (H3442). Preferred Vote: Aye; Business Positive---6.80% of Score
- 6) Setting the Bill for Special Order- Amended Tort Reform (H3489). Preferred Vote: Nay; Business Negative---8.20% of Score
- 7) Adopting Amendment No. P-3A- Cigarette Tax Increase (H3584). Preferred Vote: Nay; Business Negative---4.00% of Score
- 8) Second Reading- Cigarette Tax Increase (H3584). Preferred Vote: Nay; Business Negative---3.80% of Score
- 9) Veto Override- Cigarette Tax Increase (H3584). Preferred Vote: Nay; Business Negative---4.40% of Score
- 10) Second Reading- General Fund Reserve (S0001). Preferred Vote: Aye; Business Positive---6.60% of Score

11) Third Reading- General Fund Reserve (S0001).  
Preferred Vote: Aye; Business Positive---9.80% of Score

12) Motion to Set the Bill for Special Order- Employment  
Security Commission Restructuring (S0391). Preferred  
Vote: Aye; Business Positive---5.70% of Score

13) Motion to Set the Bill for Special Order- Employment  
Security Commission Restructuring (S0391). Preferred  
Vote: Aye; Business Positive---4.20% of Score

14) Motion to Table Amendment No. 1- Employment  
Security Commission Restructuring (S0391). Preferred  
Vote: Aye; Business Negative---6.70% of Score

15) Second Reading- Textile Mill Site Rehabilitation Tax  
Credit (S0728). Preferred Vote: Aye; Business Positive---  
3.20% of Score

16) Adopting Amendment No. 6- Fire Sprinkler Installation  
Mandate Prohibition (S1057). Preferred Vote: Aye;  
Business Positive---5.70% of Score

