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NETWORK— Into the Future

**Includes 2006 Voting Record
and Board Election Ballot**

dear members

In the breathless excitement of post-election possibilities, we are gearing up for the 110th Congress. We are holding out hope that it will, in deed and not just word, be a bipartisan effort to solve the problems of economic injustice in our federal policies.

We are also working to bolster our hope with more determined and effective action. More than ever, your advocacy will be important to ensure that the change called for by voters comes to pass. Therefore, you will notice a new look to our Web site. We are always working to make it more user-friendly and informative. Check us out at www.networklobby.org and see for yourself. We welcome your feedback.

We are also gearing up for more action with the new Congress. Our lobbyists are preparing our issue agenda, and we have already started making appointments with representatives and senators. We are poised to put our hope into action.

Finally, in the days ahead, our working together around the country will be more important than ever. We look forward to our continued partnership, and know that together we can be God's Body healing the world.

Simone Campbell, SSS

Comments on this issue? Ideas for future issues of Connection? Let us hear from you!
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NOTE TO ALL NETWORK MEMBERS:

Be sure to vote for two new members for NETWORK's Board of Directors. Ballots can be found on the back page and must be postmarked by March 15.

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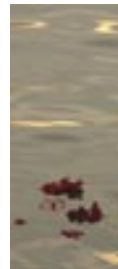
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Our cover art was painted by Sandra Bierman of Boulder, CO. Entitled "Spirit," the painting shows an eternal figure who looks resolutely into the future. This issue of Connection explores NETWORK's plans for the future and how our spirit-filled members will play a vital role. We are grateful to Sandra Bierman for allowing us to use her beautiful painting. You can see more of her art at www.sandrabierman.com.

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Redirection

BY SIMONE CAMPBELL, SSS

As I traveled the country in the pre-midterm election autumn of 2006, I met people everywhere with a deep hunger for a new political spirit in our country. In North Carolina, I met people eager to find a way beyond partisan bickering in order to solve the issues affecting us today. In Connecticut, I met folks who struggle every day to meet the needs of people who live on the very edge of economic survival. They hungered for a return to a nation that cares for all of its people. In Ohio, people asked repeatedly if their votes would be counted—and could policies be changed to address low wages and the needs of the working poor? In California, people hungered for another approach to immigration that really deals with the needs of people and not the posturing of politicians. In Wisconsin, people yearned for a return to civility and the actual work of governing. In Maryland and Virginia, people thirsted for a government for the common good.

And on November 7, 2006, people all over this country voted. I see the cumulative effect of the election as an expression of hunger and hope—hunger for something new and hope that our democratic systems can make this happen.

But as challenging as the work of autumn 2006 was, I must

say that the harder work is ahead. As we breathe a sigh of relief that change is not only possible but has happened, it is abundantly clear that the direction of change is not guaranteed. The temptation is all too great to slip back into the bad habits of the last decade. On the cusp of this change, there is an alluring temptation to blame, bicker and slip into righteousness. For the sake of our country and our world, these temptations must be resisted and a new path created.

To this end, over the last year NETWORK Board and staff have been engaged in a process of strategic planning. We have strained to read the signs of the times and the message of the Spirit in our midst. We have read the signs that people hunger for something new and that existing political processes are not working. We have read the signs that the needs of those who live at the economic margins of our country and world are not being addressed and that there is a rising wealth disparity. We have read the signs that the political will to solve the problems may be lacking and that globalization is adding complexity by making all issues global.

In the process, we have celebrated NETWORK's strengths. We delight in this beautiful (and informative) magazine. We are

in awe of our mushrooming e-advocacy presence on the Hill, your participation in it, and the work of our staff to enhance its capabilities. We honor our lobbyists and all of their work to shape more just legislation. We marvel at our leadership within coalitions and are grateful for the breadth and depth of that collaborative work. We also treasure our staff and Board community that nourishes all that we do to create justice in our troubled world. Without that nourishing reality, our well would soon run dry.

In the strategic planning process, we put these strengths up against the signs of the times. We were delighted to see that we are gifted with many ways to respond to this moment in time. We saw that our willingness to be a progressive faith voice in our country, our advocacy rooted in reflection, our Web presence, our magazine, and our other resources are all well positioned to create something new.

And then we saw a hole and experienced an invitation to the next phase of growth for NETWORK.

We saw that your hunger for something new and that your sense of being alone in this feeling were calling us to new ways. We experienced a call to bridge the local reality with Washington decision-making. We heard a call to be more of a NETWORK on the local level in order to enhance our effectiveness on the Hill. At the same time, we wanted to offer to one another (our members, Board and staff) greater spiritual support. In short, we knew that only a com-



munity of relationships could help us find new answers to the ever more complex issues of our day.

Thus, we have come to think of our new strategic plan as the call to create community not only within staff and Board, but also with all of you across the country. We need staff in regions who can serve as connectors of good energies and ideas in shaping a new direction. We need to understand local examples of policies and programs that are working. We want to be able to share information around the country and help put our legislators “in the loop.” We want to facilitate communication among all of us so that we might experience not the loneliness of the past few years, but rather a stronger sense of meaningful solidarity—so we feel that we are called to create shared relationships that can support all of us in our everyday advocacy for just legislation.

It is this process of change and growth that is the source of our conversion. We sense that the next step is to keep our strengths flourishing while growing in new ways. We strive to have our messages improved, our approach more integrated, and our sense of community deepened. We are called to build on the “bones” of our past and hopefully be inspired in new ways. This is the movement to which we are called and which we look forward to creating with you.

Simone Campbell, SSS, is NETWORK's Executive Director.

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Morum Conversio (Daily Conversion of Life)

The challenge of stripping
wallpaper demands aggressive
questing for loose worn edges.
Ragged fingernails slip under
securing glue to liberate
a piece rewardingly wide or
frustratingly narrow—previously
applied in decorating fervor
removed in a new sensibility's disgust.
Did I ever like this gaudy hue?
Bits and pieces held too long need
a tougher treatment—spit,
water, determination. Pristine
walls reveal 35 year old notes:
“Wallpaper here.” Ready for a
new design—a fresh start.



Conscious Collaboration

NETWORK'S New Four-Year Strategic Plan Embraces New Challenges and Opportunities—and Involves YOU

BY MARY T. YELENICK

Perhaps it is simply because those of us at NETWORK are, for the most part, optimists. Or perhaps it is because we have recently witnessed a remarkable midterm election in which once-entrenched politicians and positions were swept away by a surging electorate bent upon not only venting pent-up frustrations, but also on unleashing this nation's best hopes. Whatever the reason, I sense in our country a clamoring for a return to the best of who we can be, and a renewed faithfulness to our highest principles:

- the belief that we can truly be a land of opportunity for all;
- a rejection of the argument that torture, preemptive war, and the erosion of our Constitutional bedrock are necessary to preserve our freedoms;
- a conviction that we as a nation owe, and can deliver, something far better to the still-millions of poor and marginalized people among us; and
- recognition that it is our vibrant dif-

ferences—be they religious, ethnic, geographical, political or otherwise—that make up the rich tapestry of the American experience, and that have historically made our democracy such a model for the world.

At least, that is how some of us at NETWORK interpret the election results.

Just as the recent national election ushered in major realignments and a rethinking of conventional practices, so we, too, at NETWORK have this past year engaged in Strategic Planning designed to help us meet the challenges and seize the opportunities presented over the next four years. Our newly articulated NETWORK Vision Statement (see box below) describes who we are.

This Vision Statement reflects the reality that the well-being of the disenfranchised among us has profound implications for the very survival of our planet itself. While the fundamental purpose of NETWORK—to give voice to those who are poor and marginalized—remains much as it has been since NETWORK's founding, the issues confronting our society and our world today

have changed in significant ways. These changes demand corresponding changes in the way we operate at NETWORK.

In this era of globalization, we can no longer view domestic issues apart from their broader context and consequence. Nor, given rapidly evolving communications technologies, can we continue to rely primarily on face-to-face meetings as the principal tool for exchanging views with elected officials.

Similarly, in light of the devolution from the federal government to the states of much of the responsibility for programs impacting our fellow citizens' welfare, it is no longer sufficient to focus lobbying efforts solely on federal officials. We must also reach out and forge new networks, with not only newly elected national representatives, but also at the local level.

Finally, during this time of renewed civic engagement, it is not enough for NETWORK to continue to rely primarily on its staff and Board to advocate for people living in poverty. Instead, we need you—NETWORK's member-partners and investors—to become more directly and actively engaged with us in that effort.

How, specifically, does this translate into action? Here are the salient features of NETWORK's four-year Strategic Plan:

- NETWORK will seek out and engage more frequently in partnerships with other groups, both faith-based and otherwise, that share a demonstrated commitment to social and economic justice.
- In addition to continuing our lobbying activities in Washington, NETWORK will establish up to four regional NETWORK offices across the country to work actively with local communities to address issues impacting people in poverty.
- NETWORK'S educational affiliate, the NETWORK Education Program (NEP), will continue to present workshops

NETWORK'S Vision Statement

NETWORK is a leader in the movement of people who are challenged by the Gospel, Catholic social tradition and Earth principles.

We act for justice and peace in solidarity with the global community.

We invite the participation of people from all sectors of our society and place the needs and voices of people living in poverty at the center of decision making.

We are anti-racist and inclusive in our actions; we collaborate, partner and engage differences in service of our mission.



and sponsor other educational activities exploring the realities confronting people in extreme poverty and how those realities are impacted by federal and local legislation.

- Finally, NETWORK will, to a far greater degree, enlist the collaboration and assistance of you, our member-partners and investors—both to help reach and educate others, as well as to schedule and participate in meetings with local and national officials.

NETWORK's Strategic Plan is ambitious. It entails moving NETWORK beyond its historic practice, which has been rooted in lobbying on Capitol Hill, by expanding NETWORK presence nationally. It also entails, to a greater degree than before, an active working partnership with you, our investors. Such changes are necessary if NETWORK is truly to fulfill its mission: educating, organizing and lobbying in solidarity

with those who have traditionally been denied a seat at the table.

NETWORK—a Catholic leader in the global movement for justice and peace—educates, organizes and lobbies for economic and social transformation.

—NETWORK's Mission Statement

As should be apparent, the principal features of our new Strategic Plan center upon you, NETWORK's members and investors—our partners in the truest sense. It is you who, through your insight, compassion, generosity and commitment, make what we do possible. It is you whose financial investments are transformed into NETWORK's lobbying, education, and organizing activities. It is you who are our most effective—yet, until now, perhaps underutilized—resource in helping NETWORK to educate, contact and organize others. It is you who can

assist NETWORK in identifying and partnering with other organizations dedicated to social and economic justice. And it is you who sustain the hope that the lives of our impoverished sisters and brothers will one day no longer be viewed as being extraneous to society, but will be the very measure of our society.

Elsewhere in this issue of *Connection*, you will find specific ways in which you, our members and investors, can expand your investment in true solidarity with the socially and economically marginalized. We are, together, truly a NETWORK. You are its essential filament.

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“Write the vision down, inscribe it in tablets to be easily read, since this vision is for its own time; eager for its own fulfillment, it does not deceive; if it comes slowly, wait, for come it will, without fail.” —HABAKKUK 23:2–3

Yes It Will Come—and With Your Help, a Little Faster!

Scripture, especially the Gospel, directs us to envision and help create a world of justice. But the needs are many, and none of us can do it alone. We need your help!

As NETWORK implements new and exciting plans for the future, we want you to know how you can invest in our work for justice. Our Web site, www.networklobby.org, provides new ways to donate securely online, either as a one-time or ongoing contributor. Our monthly giving program makes it easy to give a set amount to NETWORK from your checking account or credit card.

And there is yet another, fun way nearly everyone can support our work. NETWORK has signed up for GoodSearch—an Internet search engine powered by Yahoo that raises money for

non-profits. *Each search* you do through them earns money for us. Think of all the searches you do per day. Multiply that by our thousands of members, and the pennies will add up quickly. Simply go to www.goodsearch.com, type in “network” where it says “Who do you GoodSearch for?” and scroll down until you find “NETWORK (Washington, DC).” Happy searching!

Show the World You Support Justice!

Another exciting development this year is the introduction of NETWORK Member Cards. Have you wished you could prove you were a card-carrying member of NETWORK? Now you can! With your first renewal notice in 2007, you will receive your NET-

WORK Member Card. Stick it in your wallet as a reminder of your support for justice and peace.

And, as an extra bonus, phone numbers for the White House and the Capitol switchboard will be listed on the back. No need to search for a phonebook when you want to tell your legislators or the president what you think!

NETWORK couldn't exist without you, and we're proud to offer this small token of our appreciation.

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Voting Record of the 109th Congress, 2nd Session

NETWORK's journey with Congress, reflected in this voting record for the second session of the 109th Congress, can be compared to a trek through an incessant fog, hoping that light will come at its lifting. The reason? Congressional failure to deal with and fund those issues affecting people at the economic margins—the very issues that comprise most of NETWORK's legislative agenda. Also unresolved was the tough reality of immigration and one of its generative causes, the failure to transform U.S. trade policy from one of “free” trade to that of “just” trade. And finally, chief among the unresolved issues was the ever-present, seemingly insoluble nightmare of how to bring just closure to an unconscionable, brutal and costly war.

The record reflects yet another reality. Effective dialogue and action within the legislative body were blocked by the relationship between the administration and congressional Republican leaders, many of whom were prone to support the president even as others in their ranks questioned their decisions. This further augmented the power struggle in which the separation between Democrats and Republicans on ideological grounds intensified.

The results of these dynamics were

inevitable. Congress, unable to agree on budget priorities, failed to pass most of the appropriations bills. In the end, they adjourned for the Thanksgiving holidays without adopting a workable budget for FY 2007. Even upon their post-Thanksgiving return, they did not complete the budget process, and they closed the 109th Congress by passing a continuing resolution that funds programs at \$7 billion below the already low spending caps of the FY 2006 budget. This spending cap will harm vital programs such as the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP) and housing and school lunch programs, and will continue until the new Congress passes a Fiscal Year 2007 Budget, perhaps in February or March. Thus, the 110th Congress must commence by dealing with critical unfinished business.

As we put together the voting record that follows, we realized that some of NETWORK's priority issues did not lend themselves to a simple “voted with” or “voted against” designation. These are complex issues with aspects we support, and aspects we do not support. Therefore, the following issues are not reflected in the chart.

Supplemental Appropriations

During 2006, Congress appropriated

a total of \$190.4 billion more than was appropriated in the FY 2006 Defense appropriation for the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. NETWORK mourns the deaths of so many people and the devastation brought about by the continuing conflicts. Even though our overall opposition to the war remains strong, a simple opposition to the appropriations would signal a lack of support for our military personnel, Iraqi war victims, and the rebuilding of Iraq.

Comprehensive Immigration Reform

NETWORK supported the McCain-Kennedy approach to immigration reform, as it was the most comprehensive option. The bill (S. 2611) ultimately passed by the Senate was much better than the enforcement-only House bill that passed in December 2005 (H.R. 4437), but NETWORK took issue with provisions that included new border fencing and inadequate civil liberties protections. Therefore, NETWORK did not fully support the final version that passed the Senate on May 25. It was never brought to a conference committee to attempt to reconcile it with the House bill.

Catherine Pinkerton, CSJ, NETWORK Lobbyist.

HOUSE Voting Record 2006

1. LIHEAP/Passage Vote #66 (S. 2320)

LIHEAP (Low Income Housing Energy Assistance Program) legislation would shift funds from FY 2007 to FY 2006, providing \$500 million for distribution to eligible low-income households for heating and cooling assistance. Another \$500 million would be placed in an emergency contingency fund for the same purpose. NETWORK supported this effort.

Passed 287–128, March 16, 2006

2. Tax Reconciliation/Conference Report Vote #135 (H.R. 4297)

NETWORK opposed this bill, which would extend about \$70 billion in tax cuts over a five-year period, providing the greatest benefit to the wealthiest households. Particularly disconcerting

was the reduction in tax rates on capital gains and on dividends, which were extended through 2010. This reduction in revenue limits funding available for human needs programs.

Passed 244–185, May 10, 2006

3. Fiscal 2007 Agriculture Appropriations/Passage Vote #193 (H.R. 5384)

This \$93.6 billion bill would fund the Department of Agriculture and Food and Drug Administration—including \$37.9 billion for the food stamp program, \$13.3 billion for the child nutrition program, and \$5.2 billion for the Women, Infants and Children (WIC) program. NETWORK supports these critical nutrition programs and lobbied to ensure adequate funding.

Passed 378–46, May 23, 2006

4. Fiscal 2007 Foreign Operations Appropriations/ Institute for Security Cooperation Amendment Vote #243 (H.R. 5522)

This amendment to the FY 2007 Foreign Operations Appropriations bill would prohibit the use of funds for recruiting and sending students to the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation (WHISC), formerly known as the School of the Americas. NETWORK supported the bill because of long-standing opposition to the training of soldiers at the WHISC on the grounds that a number of its graduates, primarily from Latin America, have been trained in counterinsurgency tactics and found responsible for committing human rights abuses.

Failed 188–218, June 9, 2006

5. Fiscal 2007 Transportation-Treasury-Housing Appropriations/Housing Vouchers Vote #267 (H.R. 5576)

Passage of this amendment would provide an additional \$70 million for Section 8 housing vouchers. This was a particularly critical need in light of the disastrous loss of housing due to hurricanes Katrina and Rita. NETWORK supported this motion, as the wait for low-income housing was very long in most areas even before the natural disasters.

Passed 243–178, June 13, 2006

6. Fiscal 2007 Defense Appropriations/Military Bases in Iraq • Vote #296 (H.R. 5631)

NETWORK advocated for a congressional declaration that the U.S. will not maintain permanent bases in Iraq. This measure was included in both the House and Senate versions of the 2006 Supplemental Funding of the War in Iraq and Afghanistan, but was later stripped from the final bill in the conference committee. It was then included in the FY 2007 Defense Appropriations bill. NETWORK opposed an amendment in the House that sought to strip the provision from the bill, and the amendment failed.

Failed 50–376, June 20, 2006

7. Voting Rights Act Reauthorization/Passage Vote #374 (H.R. 9)

This legislation would extend provisions of the 1965 Voting Rights Act for 25 more years. Some House members objected to extending provisions in the Act that provide bilingual assistance to voters, as well as those that require jurisdictions with a history of voter discrimination to pre-clear any voting law changes with the federal government. Amendments to alter those provisions were rejected, and the Act was reauthorized. NETWORK supported reauthorization of all provisions of the Act because we believe that our nation still needs the protection of the Voting Rights Act to ensure fair and equal participation of all citizens in our democratic process.

Passed 390–33, July 13, 2006

8. United States-Oman Free Trade Agreement/ Passage • Vote #392 (H.R. 5684)

This agreement would reduce most tariffs and duties that currently affect trade between the U.S. and Oman. It also reduces barriers for services while increasing intellectual property protections. The agreement is one piece of the Bush administration's effort to create a Middle East Free Trade Area by 2013. NETWORK opposed this agreement because it lacked sufficient human rights and environmental protections.

Passed 221–205, July 20, 2006

9. Tax Package/Passage Vote #425 (H.R. 5970)

NETWORK opposed what was known as the “trifecta” bill because of the negative effects it would have on federal revenue and investment in critical social programs. Although it would raise the minimum wage to \$7.25 per hour and provide various tax-extensions, it would also significantly reduce the estate tax contribution to the federal budget. The legislation would increase the estate tax exemption to \$5 million per individual and \$10 million per couple while also decreasing their estate tax rate by more than 30%. This would cost the federal government billions of dollars by reallocating resources provided by the estate tax into the hands of the wealthiest 2% of Americans—money that could otherwise be spent on essential human needs programs. (Note: Senate action stopped movement toward this tax package becoming law through its cloture vote on the bill.)

Passed 230–180, July 29, 2006

10. Border Fencing/Passage Vote #446 (H.R. 6061)

Known as the “Secure Fence Act,” this bill would authorize the construction of approximately 700 miles of fencing along the U.S.–Mexican border. It would also direct the Department of Homeland Security to assess the ability of personnel to stop fleeing vehicles at the border and require a study of implementing security systems along the U.S.–Canadian border. NETWORK opposed such “enforcement-only” reforms, as they often separate families, put lives in danger, and set the stage for human rights abuses along the border.

Passed 283–138, September 14, 2006

Changes in the House During This Session

- Albio Sires (D-NJ): Elected November 7, 2006 to fill an unexpired term.
- Bob Ney (R-OH): Resigned November 3, 2006
- Brian Bilbray (R-CA): Elected June 6, 2006
- Mark Foley (R-FL): Resigned September 29, 2006
- Randy Cunningham (R-CA): Resigned November 28, 2005
- Robert Menendez (D-NJ): Appointed to the Senate on January 17, 2006
- Shelley Sekula-Gibbs (R-TX): Elected November 7, 2006 to fill an unexpired term.
- Tom DeLay (R-TX): Resigned June 9, 2006

109th CONGRESS
SECOND SESSION

HOW THEY
VOTED IN THE
HOUSE

	LIHEAP/Passage	Tax Reconciliation	FY 2007 Agriculture/Passage	FY 2007 Foreign Ops. (WHISC)	FY 2007 Housing Vouchers	FY 2007 Defense/Military Bases	Voting Rights Reauth./Passage	U.S.-Oman Free Trade/Passage	Tax Package/Passage	Border Fencing/Passage	%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	%
ALABAMA											
1 Jo Bonner (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	20%
2 Terry Everett (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	30%
3 Michael Rogers (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	50%
4 Robert Aderholt (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	40%
5 Robert Cramer (D)	o	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	55%
6 Spencer Bachus (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
7 Artur Davis (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
ALASKA											
Don Young (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	40%
ARIZONA											
1 Rick Renzi (R)	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	40%
2 Trent Franks (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
3 John Shadegg (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
4 Ed Pastor (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
5 J.D. Hayworth (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	20%
6 Jeff Flake (R)	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	40%
7 Raul Grijalva (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
8 Jim Kolbe (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	40%
ARKANSAS											
1 Marion Berry (D-AR)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	80%
2 Vic Snyder (D-AR)	+	+	o	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	77%
3 John Boozman (R-AR)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
4 Mike Ross (D-AR)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	80%
CALIFORNIA											
1 Mike Thompson (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Wally Herger (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	20%
3 Dan Lungren (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
4 John Doolittle (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	20%
5 Doris Matsui (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
6 Lynn Woolsey (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
7 George Miller (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
8 Nancy Pelosi (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
9 Barbara Lee (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
10 Ellen Tauscher (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	90%
11 Richard Pombo (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
12 Tom Lantos (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
13 Fortney Stark (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	88%
14 Anna Eshoo (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
15 Michael Honda (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
16 Zoe Lofgren (D)	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
17 Sam Farr (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
18 Dennis Cardoza (D)	+	o	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	77%
19 George Radanovich (R)	o	-	+	-	o	+	+	-	-	-	37%
20 Jim Costa (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
21 Devin Nunes (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
22 William Thomas (R)	-	-	+	-	o	+	+	-	-	-	33%
23 Lois Capps (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
24 Elton Gallegly (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
25 Howard McKeon (R)	+	-	+	o	-	+	+	-	-	-	44%
26 David Dreier (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
27 Brad Sherman (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
28 Howard Berman (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
29 Adam Schiff (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
30 Henry Waxman (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
31 Xavier Becerra (D)	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
32 Hilda Solis (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
33 Diane Watson (D)	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
34 Lucille Royballard (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
35 Maxine Waters (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
36 Jane Harman (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	90%
37 Juanita Millender-McDonald (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%

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38 Grace Napolitano (D)	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	100%
39 Linda Sanchez (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
40 Ed Royce (R)	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	20%
41 Jerry Lewis (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
42 Gary Miller (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	20%
43 Joe Baca (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	100%
44 Ken Calvert (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
45 Mary Bono (R)	-	-	+	o	-	+	+	-	-	-	33%
46 Dana Rohrabacher (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	10%
47 Loretta Sanchez (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
48 John Campbell (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	20%
49 Darrell Issa (R)	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	40%
50 Brian Bilbray (R)	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	33%*
50 Randy Cunningham (R)	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	33%*
51 Bob Filner (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
52 Duncan Hunter (R)	-	-	+	-	-	o	+	-	-	-	22%
53 Susan Davis (D)	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	88%
COLORADO											
1 Diana DeGette (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Mark Udall (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
3 John Salazar (D)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	88%
4 Marilyn Musgrave (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
5 Joel Hefley (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	10%
6 Thomas Tancredo (R)	o	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	33%
7 Bob Beauprez (R)	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30%
CONNECTICUT											
1 John Larson (D)	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Robert Simmons (R)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	70%
3 Rosa DeLauro (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
4 Christopher Shays (R)	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	40%
5 Nancy Johnson (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	50%
DELAWARE											
Michael Castle (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	50%
FLORIDA											
1 Jeff Miller (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
2 F. Allen Boyd (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	70%
3 Corrine Brown (D)	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
4 Ander Crenshaw (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
5 Ginny Brownite (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
6 Cliff Stearns (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	20%
7 John Mica (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	30%
8 Ric Keller (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	o	55%
9 Michael Bilirakis (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	o	-	44%
10 C.W. Bill Young (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
11 Jim Davis (D)	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	100%
12 Adam Putnam (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	30%
13 Katherine Harris (R)	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	40%
14 Connie Mack (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	+	-	40%
15 Dave Weldon (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
16 Mark Foley (R)	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	50%
17 Kendrick Meek (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
18 Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	40%
19 Robert Wexler (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
20 Debbie Wasserman Schultz (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
21 Lincoln Diaz-Balart (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	40%
22 E. Clay Shaw (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
23 Alcee Hastings (D)	o	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	88%
24 Tom Feeney (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	30%
25 Mario Diaz-Balart (R)	-	-	+	o	-	+	+	-	-	+	44%

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GEORGIA											
1 Jack Kingston (R)	-	-	+	o	-	+	+	-	+	-	44%
2 Sanford Bishop (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
3 Jim Marshall (D)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	-	50%
4 Cynthia McKinney (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	+	100%
5 John Lewis (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	100%
6 Tom Price (R)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0%
7 John Linder (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	o	-	11%
8 Lynn Westmoreland (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
9 Charles Norwood (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	20%
10 Nathan Deal (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	o	-	22%
11 Phil Gingrey (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	o	-	20%
12 John Barrow (D)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	50%
13 David Scott (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
HAWAII											
1 Neil Abercrombie (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	90%
2 Ed Case (D)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	o	55%
IDAHO											
1 C.L. Otter (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	40%
2 Mike Simpson (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	30%
ILLINOIS											
1 Bobby Rush (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	90%
2 Jesse Jackson (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
3 Dan Lipinski (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
4 Luis Gutierrez (D)	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
5 Rahm Emanuel (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
6 Henry Hyde (R)	-	-	+	-	o	-	+	-	-	-	22%
7 Danny Davis (D)	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
8 Melissa Bean (D)	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	40%
9 Janice Schakowsky (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
10 Mark Kirk (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
11 Jerry Weller (R)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	40%
12 Jerry Costello (D)	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	88%
13 Judy Biggert (R)	-	-	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
14 J. Dennis Hastert (R)	l	-	l	l	l	l	l	-	-	l	0%*
15 Timothy Johnson (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
16 Donald Manzullo (R)	-	-	+	o	o	+	+	-	-	-	37%
17 Lane Evans (D)	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	o	
18 Ray LaHood (R)	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
19 John Shimkus (R)	o	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	33%
INDIANA											
1 Peter Visclosky (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Chris Chocola (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
3 Mark Souder (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
4 Steve Buyer (R)	-	-	+	-	o	+	+	o	-	-	37%
5 Dan Burton (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	20%
6 Mike Pence (R)	-	-	+	o	-	+	+	-	+	-	44%
7 Julia Carson (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	100%
8 John Hostettler (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	50%
9 Mike Sodrel (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
IOWA											
1 Jim Nussle (R)	+	-	+	o	+	o	+	o	-	-	57%
2 Jim Leach (R)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	70%
3 Leonard Boswell (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	70%
4 Tom Latham (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
5 Steve King (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	20%
KANSAS											
1 Jerry Moran (R)	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	50%
2 Jim Ryun (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
3 Dennis Moore (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	70%
4 Todd Tiahrt (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	o	-	+	-	22%

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KENTUCKY											
1 Edward Whitfield (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
2 Ron Lewis (R)	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	30%
3 Anne Northup (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	o	o	o	-	28%
4 Geoff Davis (R)	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	30%
5 Harold Rogers (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
6 Ben Chandler (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
LOUISIANA											
1 Bobby Jindal (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	50%
2 William Jefferson (D)	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	-	-	+	77%
3 Charlie Melancon (D)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	70%
4 Jim McCrery (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	30%
5 Rodney Alexander (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
6 Richard Baker (R)	-	-	+	o	-	+	-	-	o	-	25%
7 Charles Boustany (R)	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	40%
MAINE											
1 Thomas Allen (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Michael Michaud (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
MARYLAND											
1 Wayne Gilchrest (R)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	60%
2 C.A. Ruppersberger (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
3 Benjamin Cardin (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
4 Albert Wynn (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
5 Steny Hoyer (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
6 Roscoe Bartlett (R)	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	40%
7 Elijah Cummings (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
8 Chris Van Hollen (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
MASSACHUSETTS											
1 John Olver (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Richard Neal (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
3 James McGovern (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
4 Barney Frank (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
5 Marty Meehan (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	88%
6 John Tierney (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
7 Edward Markey (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
8 Michael Capuano (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
9 Stephen Lynch (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
10 William Delahunt (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
MICHIGAN											
1 Bart Stupak (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
2 Peter Hoekstra (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	30%
3 Vernon Ehlers (R)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	60%
4 Dave Camp (R)	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	50%
5 Dale Kildee (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
6 Fred Upton (R)	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	50%
7 Joe Schwarz (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
8 Michael Rogers (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
9 Joseph Knollenberg (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
10 Candice Miller (R)	+	-	+	-	o	-	+	-	-	-	33%
11 Thaddeus McCotter (R)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	60%
12 Sander Levin (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
13 Carolyn Kilpatrick (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
14 John Conyers (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
15 John Dingell (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
MINNESOTA											
1 Gil Gutknecht (R)	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
2 John Kline (R)	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
3 Jim Ramstad (R)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	60%
4 Betty McCollum (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
5 Martin Olav Sabo (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
6 Mark Kennedy (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	40%

Percentage with asterisk () signifies that legislator did not vote on all relevant bills.

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7 Collin Peterson (D)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	70%
8 James Oberstar (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	90%
MISSISSIPPI											
1 Roger Wicker (R)	-	-	+	o	-	+	+	-	-	-	33%
2 Bennie Thompson (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
3 Charles Pickering (R)	+	+	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
4 Gene Taylor (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
MISSOURI											
1 Wm. Lacy Clay (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Todd Akin (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
3 Russ Carnahan (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	100%
4 Ike Skelton (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	70%
5 Emanuel Cleaver (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	-	100%
6 Sam Graves (R)	+	+	-	-	-	o	+	-	-	-	33%
7 Roy Blunt (R)	-	-	+	o	-	+	+	-	-	-	33%
8 Jo Ann Emerson (R)	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	40%
9 Kenny Hulshof (R)	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	50%
MONTANA											
Dennis Rehberg (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
NEBRASKA											
1 Jeff Fortenberry (R)	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	30%
2 Lee Terry (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
3 Tom Osborne (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
NEVADA											
1 Shelley Berkley (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	80%
2 James Gibbons (R)	-	-	-	o	-	+	+	-	-	-	22%
3 Jon Porter (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
NEW HAMPSHIRE											
1 Jeb Bradley (R)	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	+	-	50%
2 Charles Bass (R)	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
NEW JERSEY											
1 Robert Andrews (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
2 Frank LoBiondo (R)	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	60%
3 Jim Saxton (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	40%
4 Christopher Smith (R)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	70%
5 Scott Garrett (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	30%
6 Frank Pallone (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
7 Michael Ferguson (R)	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	40%
8 Bill Pascrell (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
9 Steven Rothman (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
10 Donald Payne (D)	+	+	o	+	o	+	+	+	o	+	100%
11 Rodney Frelinghuysen (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
12 Rush Holt (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
13 Robert Menendez (D)											
13 Albio Sires (D)											
NEW MEXICO											
1 Heather Wilson (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	50%
2 Steve Pearce (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
3 Tom Udall (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
NEW YORK											
1 Tim Bishop (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
2 Steve Israel (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
3 Peter King (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	50%
4 Carolyn McCarthy (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
5 Gary Ackerman (D)	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
6 Gregory Meeks (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	90%
7 Joseph Crowley (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	90%
8 Jerrold Nadler (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
9 Anthony Weiner (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
10 Edolphus Towns (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	90%
11 Major Owens (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%

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12 Nydia Velazquez (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
13 Vito Fossella (R)	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	40%
14 Carolyn Maloney (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
15 Charles Rangel (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
16 Jose Serrano (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
17 Eliot Engel (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
18 Nita Lowey (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
19 Sue Kelly (R)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	60%
20 John Sweeney (R)	o	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	44%
21 Michael McNulty (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	100%
22 Maurice Hinchey (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
23 John McHugh (R)	+	-	+	o	+	+	+	+	-	-	66%
24 Sherwood Boehlert (R)	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	o	-	75%
25 James Walsh (R)	+	-	+	o	-	+	+	+	-	-	55%
26 Thomas Reynolds (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
27 Brian Higgins (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
28 Louise McIntosh Slaughter (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	100%
29 Randy Kuhl (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	50%
NORTH CAROLINA											
1 G.K. Butterfield (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Bob Etheridge (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	80%
3 Walter Jones (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	o	-	66%
4 David Price (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
5 Virginia Foxx (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	10%
6 Howard Coble (R)	o	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	o	62%
7 Mike McIntyre (D)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	60%
8 Robin Hayes (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	50%
9 Sue Myrick (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	20%
10 Patrick McHenry (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	20%
11 Charles Taylor (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	40%
12 Melvin Watt (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
13 Brad Miller (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
NORTH DAKOTA											
Earl Pomeroy (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
OHIO											
1 Steve Chabot (R)	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
2 Jean Schmidt (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	30%
3 Michael Turner (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
4 Michael Oxley (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	o	-	33%
5 Paul Gillmor (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	40%
6 Ted Strickland (D)	+	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	87%
7 David Hobson (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
8 John Boehner (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
9 Marcy Kaptur (D)	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	P	88%*
10 Dennis Kucinich (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
11 Stephanie Tubbs Jones (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
12 Patrick Tiberi (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
13 Sherrod Brown (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
14 Steven LaTourette (R)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	70%
15 Deborah Pryce (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
16 Ralph Regula (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
17 Tim Ryan (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
18 Bob Ney (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	o	55%
OKLAHOMA											
1 John Sullivan (R)	o	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	33%
2 Dan Boren (D)	o	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	33%
3 Frank Lucas (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
4 Tom Cole (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
5 Ernest Istook (R)	o	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	o	-	37%
OREGON											
1 David Wu (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	90%
2 Greg Walden (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	+	40%

Percentage with asterisk () signifies that legislator did not vote on all relevant bills.

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	%
OREGON (cont'd)											
3 Earl Blumenauer (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
4 Peter DeFazio (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
5 Darlene Hooley (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	90%
PENNSYLVANIA											
1 Robert Brady (D)	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Chaka Fattah (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
3 Philip English (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	50%
4 Melissa Hart (R)	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
5 John Peterson (R)	-	-	+	o	-	+	+	-	-	-	33%
6 Jim Gerlach (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	60%
7 Curt Weldon (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	60%
8 Mike Fitzpatrick (R)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	70%
9 Bill Shuster (R)	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	30%
10 Don Sherwood (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
11 Paul Kanjorski (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
12 John Murtha (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
13 Allyson Schwartz (D)	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	90%
14 Mike Doyle (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
15 Charles Dent (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
16 Joseph Pitts (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	20%
17 Tim Holden (D)	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	80%
18 Timothy Murphy (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	50%
19 Todd Platts (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	50%
RHODE ISLAND											
1 Patrick Kennedy (D)	+	o	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 James Langevin (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
SOUTH CAROLINA											
1 Henry Brown (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
2 Joe Wilson (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
3 J. Gresham Barrett (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	20%
4 Bob Inglis (R)	+	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	50%
5 John Spratt (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
6 James Clyburn (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
SOUTH DAKOTA											
Stephanie Herseth (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	70%
TENNESSEE											
1 William Jenkins (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
2 John Duncan (R)	o	-	+	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	33%
3 Zach Wamp (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
4 Lincoln Davis (D)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	70%
5 Jim Cooper (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
6 Bart Gordon (D)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	70%
7 Marsha Blackburn (R)	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	20%
8 John Tanner (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	50%
9 Harold Ford (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	70%
TEXAS											
1 Louie Gohmert (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	o	-	22%
2 Ted Poe (R)	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	30%
3 Sam Johnson (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	o	-	11%
4 Ralph Hall (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
5 Jeb Hensarling (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	20%
6 Joe Barton (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	40%
7 John Culberson (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	o	55%
8 Kevin Brady (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	40%
9 Al Green (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
10 Michael McCaul (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	40%
11 Mike Conaway (R)	-	-	+	o	-	+	-	-	+	+	33%
12 Kay Granger (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	o	-	33%
13 William Thornberry (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	+	-	20%
14 Ron Paul (R)	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	50%
15 Ruben Hinojosa (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	%
16 Silvestre Reyes (D)	+	+	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
17 Chet Edwards (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	60%
18 Sheila Jackson Lee (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
19 Randy Neugebauer (R)	-	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	20%
20 Charles Gonzalez (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
21 Lamar Smith (R)	+	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	30%
22 Tom DeLay (R)	+	-	+	-	I	I	I	I	I	I	50%*
22 Shelley Sekula-Gibbs (R)	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	
23 Henry Bonilla (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
24 Kenny Marchant (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
25 Lloyd Doggett (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
26 Michael Burgess (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
27 Solomon Ortiz (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
28 Henry Cuellar (D)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	+	60%
29 Gene Green (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
30 Eddie Bernice Johnson (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
31 John Carter (R)	-	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	30%
32 Pete Sessions (R)	-	-	+	-	o	-	o	-	-	-	12%
UTAH											
1 Rob Bishop (R)	-	-	+	-	+	-	+	o	-	-	33%
2 Jim Matheson (D)	+	-	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	40%
3 Chris Cannon (R)	-	-	+	o	o	o	+	-	-	-	28%
VERMONT											
Bernard Sanders (I)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
VIRGINIA											
1 Jo Ann Davis (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	o	o	o	-	57%
2 Thelma Drake (R)	+	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	30%
3 Bobby Scott (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
4 Randy Forbes (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	o	-	33%
5 Virgil Goode (R)	-	-	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	50%
6 Bob Goodlatte (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
7 Eric Cantor (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	+	-	40%
8 James Moran (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	70%
9 Rick Boucher (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	80%
10 Frank Wolf (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
11 Thomas Davis (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	40%
WASHINGTON											
1 Jay Inslee (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
2 Rick Larsen (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	90%
3 Brian Baird (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	P	-	70%*
4 Doc Hastings (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%
5 Cathy McMorris Rodgers (R)	o	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	33%
6 Norman Dicks (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	90%
7 Jim McDermott (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
8 Dave Reichert (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	50%
9 Adam Smith (D)	+	o	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	77%
WEST VIRGINIA											
1 Alan Mollohan (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	80%
2 Shelley Moore Capito (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	50%
3 Nick Rahall (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	80%
WISCONSIN											
1 Paul Ryan (R)	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	20%
2 Tammy Baldwin (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
3 Ron Kind (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	80%
4 Gwen Moore (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
5 F. James Sensenbrenner (R)	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	40%
6 Thomas Petri (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	-	40%
7 David Obey (D)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	90%
8 Mark Green (R)	+	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	-	-	30%
WYOMING											
Barbara Cubin (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	30%

SENATE Voting Record 2006

1. Tax Reconciliation–Medicare Prescription Drug Enrollment • Vote #5 (H.R. 4297)

NETWORK supported the amendment to the tax reconciliation bill that would give seniors more time to sign up for the Medicare prescription drug benefit and also require the federal government to reimburse states, pharmacies and beneficiaries for money spent while aspects of the benefit were detailed.

Failed 52–45, February 2, 2006

2. Low-Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP)/Funding Distribution • Vote #34 (S. 2320)

This bill would shift funds from FY 2007 to FY 2006, providing \$500 million to be distributed to eligible low-income households for heating and cooling assistance. Another \$500 million was placed in a contingency fund for the same purpose. NETWORK supported this effort.

Passed 68–31, March 7, 2006

3. Fiscal 2007 Budget Resolution/Health and Education Programs • Vote #58 (S. Con. Res. 83)

NETWORK supported the Specter (R-PA) amendment to move part of the FY 2008 advance appropriations towards increased funding for health, education and training, and low-income programs. The Senate allocation of increased funding for programs was a rejection of the administration's proposed belt-tightening budget, which would undercut human needs and entitlement support.

Passed 73–27, March 16, 2006

4. Small Business Health Plans/Cloture Vote • Vote #119 (S. 1955)

This legislation would allow small employers to merge together in order to buy cheaper health insurance for their employees. While laudable in its intent, the bill would exempt insurers from certain state laws, jeopardizing access to essential medical services such as cancer screenings, diabetes supplies, mental health services, immunizations and prenatal care. Such exemptions meant the possibility of offering employees “bare bones” plans as well as premiums that could differ based on age, gender, medical history, occupation and region. NETWORK opposed this bill and opposed the cloture (debate limitation) on the bill. Therefore, the bill could not be brought to the floor for a vote.

Failed 55–43 (60 required to invoke cloture), May 11, 2006

5. Fiscal 2007 Defense Authorization/Minimum Wage • Vote #179 (S. 2766)

This amendment would increase the federal minimum wage to \$7.25 over a period of two years and two months. NETWORK supported this amendment because approximately 7.3 million workers (5.8% of the workforce) would economically benefit from an increase in the minimum wage. The minimum wage has remained stagnant at \$5.15 since 1997.

Failed 52–46 (60 votes needed for passage), June 21, 2006

6. Voting Rights Act Reauthorization/Passage • Vote #212 (H.R. 9)

This legislation would extend expiring provisions of the 1965 Voting Rights Act for 25 more years. This includes the requirement to provide bilingual assistance to voters as well as a requirement for jurisdictions with a history of voter discrimination to pre-clear any voting law changes with the federal government. NETWORK supported the reauthorization of all provisions of the Act because we believe that our nation still needs the protection of the Voting Rights Act to ensure fair and equal participation of all citizens in our democratic process.

Passed 98–0, July 20, 2006

7. Tax Package/Cloture • Vote #229 (H.R. 5970)

This vote was essential to stopping passage of the “trifecta” bill, which would have deprived the federal government of billions of dollars of revenue necessary to continue to support human needs programs (see House vote description H.R. 5970). A vote to invoke cloture (thus limiting debate) would have brought the bill to the floor for a vote. NETWORK opposed this bill to invoke cloture, and its failure meant that the bill was never voted on and therefore could not be passed.

Failed 56–42, August 3, 2006

8. United States-Oman Free Trade Agreement/Passage • Vote #250 (H.R. 5684)

This agreement was initially passed by the Senate by a 60–34 vote on June 29, 2006, prior to a House vote. Given that tariff and revenue measures must originate in the House, a second vote was required in the Senate. NETWORK opposed the trade agreement because it lacked sufficient human rights and environmental protections.

Passed 62–32, September 19, 2006

9. Border Fencing/Passage • Vote #262 (H.R. 6061)

Although the Senate had previously desired a more comprehensive immigration reform, they agreed to go along with the House's piecemeal approach to immigration in clearing the House legislation known as the “Secure Fence Act.” NETWORK views the Senate's action as disappointing and will continue to push for true immigration reform.

Passed 80–19, September 29, 2006

Change in the Senate During This Session

- Robert Menendez (D-NJ): Appointed to the Senate on January 17, 2006

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	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
ALABAMA										
Jeff Sessions (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
Richard Shelby (R)	-	-	-	-	o	+	-	-	-	12%*
ALASKA										
Lisa Murkowski (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%
Ted Stevens (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%
ARIZONA										
John McCain (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
Jon Kyl (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
ARKANSAS										
Blanche Lincoln (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	77%
Mark Pryor (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	77%
CALIFORNIA										
Barbara Boxer (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
Dianne Feinstein (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
COLORADO										
Ken Salazar (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	88%
Wayne Allard (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
CONNECTICUT										
Christopher Dodd (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
Joseph Lieberman (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	-	+	87%*
DELAWARE										
Joseph Biden (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
Thomas Carper (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
FLORIDA										
Bill Nelson (D)	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	-	-	55%
Mel Martinez (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
GEORGIA										
Johnny Isakson (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
Saxby Chambliss (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
HAWAII										
Daniel Akaka (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	100%*
Daniel Inouye (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
IDAHO										
Larry Craig (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
Mike Crapo (R)	-	-	-	-	-	o	-	-	-	0%*
ILLINOIS										
Barack Obama (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	77%
Richard Durbin (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
INDIANA										
Evan Bayh (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	-	87%*
Richard Lugar (R)	-	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	44%
IOWA										
Charles Grassley (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%
Tom Harkin (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	-	87%*
KANSAS										
Pat Roberts (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	22%
Sam Brownback (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
KENTUCKY										
Jim Bunning (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
Mitch McConnell (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
LOUISIANA										
David Vitter (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
Mary Landrieu (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	-	66%
MAINE										
Olympia Snowe (R)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	66%
Susan Collins (R)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	-	+	66%
MARYLAND										
Barbara Mikulski (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
Paul Sarbanes (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
MASSACHUSETTS										
Edward Kennedy (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	o	100%*
John Kerry (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	88%
MICHIGAN										
Carl Levin (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Debbie Stabenow (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
MINNESOTA										
Mark Dayton (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
Norm Coleman (R)	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	o	-	62%
MISSISSIPPI										
Thad Cochran (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%
Trent Lott (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	22%
MISSOURI										
Christopher Bond (R)	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	22%
Jim Talent (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%

Key to votes:

Voted with NETWORK..... **+**
 Voted against NETWORK..... **-**
 Did not vote..... **o**
 Inactive/not in office..... **I**

	Tax Recon.—Medicare Rx	LIHEAP	FY 2007 Budget/Health & Educ.	Small Business Health Plans	FY 2007 Defense Auth./Min. Wage	Voting Rights Act Reauthorization	Tax Package	U.S.—Oman Free Trade Agreement	Secure Fence Act	%
	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	
MONTANA										
Conrad Burns (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%
Max Baucus (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	-	-	75%*
NEBRASKA										
Ben Nelson (D)	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	55%
Chuck Hagel (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%
NEVADA										
Harry Reid (D)	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	88%
John Ensign (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
NEW HAMPSHIRE										
John Sununu (R)	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	22%
Judd Gregg (R)	-	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	22%
NEW JERSEY										
Frank Lautenberg (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Robert Menendez (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	o	+	100%
NEW MEXICO										
Jeff Bingaman (D)	o	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%*
Pete Domenici (R)	o	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	37%*
NEW YORK										
Charles Schumer (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
Hillary Clinton (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	-	77%
NORTH CAROLINA										
Elizabeth Dole (R)	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	-	33%
Richard Burr (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	22%
NORTH DAKOTA										
Byron Dorgan (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
Kent Conrad (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
OHIO										
George Voinovich (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	44%
Mike DeWine (R)	+	+	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	55%
OKLAHOMA										
James Inhofe (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
Tom Coburn (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+	-	22%
OREGON										
Gordon Smith (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%
Ron Wyden (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
PENNSYLVANIA										
Arlen Specter (R)	+	+	+	o	+	+	-	-	-	62%*
Rick Santorum (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%
RHODE ISLAND										
Jack Reed (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
Lincoln Chafee (R)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	88%
SOUTH CAROLINA										
Jim DeMint (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
Lindsey Graham (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
SOUTH DAKOTA										
John Thune (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%
Tim Johnson (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
TENNESSEE										
Bill Frist (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	+	-	-	44%
Lamar Alexander (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%
TEXAS										
John Cornyn (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
Kay Bailey Hutchison (R)	+	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%
UTAH										
Orrin Hatch (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%
Robert Bennett (R)	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	33%
VERMONT										
James Jeffords (I)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	88%
Patrick Leahy (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
VIRGINIA										
George Allen (R)	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	11%
John Warner (R)	+	-	+	-	+	+	-	-	-	44%
WASHINGTON										
Maria Cantwell (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	88%
Patty Murray (D—WA)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	+	88%
WEST VIRGINIA										
John Rockefeller (D)	+	+	+	o	o	+	+	+	-	85%
Robert Byrd (D)	+	o	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	75%
WISCONSIN										
Herbert Kohl (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	-	88%
Russ Feingold (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100%
WYOMING										
Craig Thomas (R)	o	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	12%
Michael Enzi (R)	-	-	-	-	-	o	-	-	-	0%

Percentage with asterisk () signifies that legislator did not vote on all relevant bills.

The Voters Have Spoken. What Can We Expect Now?

By JEAN SAMMON

In early 2006, as we were drafting strategic plans for NETWORK, we assumed that all three branches of our federal government would be ruled by a single party for the next several years. Sometimes it's nice to be wrong.

As many of our long-time members know, the past six years have been challenging for advocates of social justice. The "war on terror" seemed to eclipse most other federal priorities. How could we call for less military spending when our nation was at war? Who would hear our call for programs to help the vulnerable when the dominant ideology was individual responsibility and "ownership"? How could we work with those who seemed to think that tax cuts were the answer to every problem?

Voters Make a Difference

On November 7, 2006, we found that many Americans were unhappy with their elected officials so they voted for a change. The pundits and pollsters told us that people were tired of war, corruption and political bickering. They were tired of leaders who seemed to care more about their own power than about the people they were elected to serve. Voters did not believe the economy was working for everyone so they voted for candidates who promised to do things differently.

How different will this Congress be? That remains to be seen. Much will change because a different party is now in charge. The majority party controls the congressional schedule and rules.

They get to decide what comes up for a vote and what gets neglected. They control all the committees—they appoint the chairs and make sure the majority party has more members on the committee, more staff, and more friendly witnesses at the hearings. Oh, and they even get to pick out what office space they want and where people can meet.

However, it is still the same institution, with the same temptation to protect incumbent power. That's where we come in.

Our Role

I remember talking to a congressman a few years ago who said that he thought most legislators come to Congress with good intentions, but they get distracted by the way the place is set up and they need people like us to remind them why they are there.

So, that's what we need to do. And I'm looking forward to the opportunity for a fresh start.

There are ten new senators and at least 54 new representatives. (At the time of publication, there were still a few undecided races.) They are ready to hear from us! And the incumbent senators and representatives got the message from voters

that they had better start listening to us more carefully.

Let's continue the momentum that started in November. I'm setting goals for the NETWORK field—that's you, our members and supporters—to increase the number of people who are contacting Congress, to increase the number of messages sent, to increase the personalization of the messages so they are more likely to be read, to increase the number of people who write letters-to-the-editor, and to increase the number of district lobby visits.

Are you with me? I'll commit to doing whatever I can to support you. (My associate, Jessica Guentzel, will also commit to this task!) We can do a lot through the Legislative Action Center on our Web site. If you are not already receiving our e-mail legislative update, sign up now at <http://capwiz.com/networklobby/mlm/signup/>. If you've already signed up, encourage others to do so.

Together, we can really make a difference in this new year with our new Congress.

Jean Sammon is NETWORK's Field Coordinator.



Need up-to-date information about legislation in Congress? Check out NETWORK's Legislative Action Center at <http://capwiz.com/networklobby/issues/bills/>. ★ To learn what happened to legislation you followed in the past, go to <http://capwiz.com/networklobby/issues/votes/> and enter your zip code in the "Key Votes" field.

Want timely information about key issues in Congress? NETWORK members can sign up for our weekly email legislative hotline. Send your name, zip code and email address to jsammon@networklobby.org.



NETWORK BOARD ELECTION

Attn: NETWORK Members—It's Time to Vote!

We are looking for two additional NETWORK Board members whose expertise, leadership skills, diversity and justice commitment will help NETWORK carry out our mission. We have five candidates for the two openings. All candidates were asked to briefly describe their skills, talents, experience and access to constituencies that would further NETWORK's mission.

A list of NETWORK's current Board of Directors can be found at <http://www.networklobby.org/about/staff.htm#board>.

CANDIDATES

1.

Janice M. Del Fiacco, San Francisco, CA; BVM Associate—Sisters of Charity of the Blessed Virgin Mary; Owner/President of a consulting firm that specializes in financial services/technology sectors and international micro-finance/micro-enterprise sectors; Caucasian, Italian-American heritage.

I accept the nomination for the Board of NETWORK and pledge to participate more fully in the mission and the programs of NETWORK to promote social justice, peace, and women's empowerment, access to healthcare and capital for all members of society. Advocacy for me is a special call to service and ministry on an institutional level to influence policy and political change, and a personal commitment to serve the poor and disenfranchised.

2.

Mary Ann Gaido, Irvine, CA; Covenant Member, Sisters of St. Joseph of Orange; recently retired from St. Joseph Health System; Irish-German.

I want more direct involvement with NETWORK as it continues its effective voice of justice on Capitol Hill.

As an active, 15-year member of NETWORK, I've worked with Catholic hospitals and clinics developing/supporting strong political advocacy programs for vulnerable populations.

I recently retired as Vice President of St. Joseph Health System. I bring experience, commitment and skills in advocacy/ government relations as well as enthusiasm for development outreach to assure the future viability for NETWORK.

3.

Mary Ann Nestel, St. Louis, MO; Sister of St. Joseph of Carondelet, St. Louis Province; professional development executive, currently on sabbatical; American-German heritage.

My 47 years in religious life have been dedicated to serving the poor, promoting systemic change, and implementing social justice in each of my ministry assignments. For the past 17 years I have served as Executive Director of Development for my community. Our office raised \$37 million with a consistent cost factor of \$.13 per dollar raised. My fundraising experience would be my gift. My expertise is in major gifts and direct mail.

4.

Robin K. Richardson, Kansas City, MO; Spanish teacher and linguist; African American.

I am experienced as a leader and feel I can be an asset to NETWORK. I am currently the president of my church's Altar & Rosary Society. I have spearheaded many projects that have benefited my church, children, seniors, and battered women in the church community. I consider myself to be a team player and a leader when called upon.

5.

Judith Braitmayer Sharpe, St. Augustine, FL; retiring owner of both commercial insurance agency and Montessori school; Caucasian.

I have raised three children, created and run two successful businesses, and been active in social justice organizations and church outreach programs. As a result of my work with Pax Christi Florida to address racial discrimination, I opened a child care center committed to promoting racial, economic and religious diversity. NETWORK is vital in advocating for economic and social justice based on Catholic Social Teaching, and I hope to contribute to this important mission.



BALLOT

Eligible to vote: NETWORK Members (one vote per membership please)

You can mail your ballot to NETWORK in the envelope inserted in the middle of the magazine. Please write "election" on the outside of the envelope. **Ballots must be post-marked by March 15, 2007, to be counted.**

VOTE FOR TWO:

- Janice M. Del Fiacco
- Mary Ann Gaido
- Mary Ann Nestel
- Robin K. Richardson
- Judith Braitmayer Sharpe



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