

Senator Kaminsky Receives Perfect Score on NYLCV Legislative Environmental Scorecard

TODD KAMINSKY August 16, 2017

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(Long Beach, New York) -- The New York League of Conservation Voters awarded Senator Todd Kaminsky, Ranking Member of the NYS Senate's Environmental Conservation Committee, with a perfect score in their annual Legislative Environmental Scorecard. Kaminsky was also recognized as a "BiPartisan Leader" for having "collaborated with his colleagues on both sides of the aisle to work on behalf of Long Islanders." The NYLCV grades state legislators on their environmental voting record to ensure elected officials are committed to protecting the environment.

"I have made environmental protection and sustainability a priority during my time in the State Legislature," said Senator Todd Kaminsky said. "We have a responsibility to promote renewable energy, ensure clean drinking water, breathable air and an overall healthy environment for Long Island's future generations. I am proud to have supported and advocated for each of these important initiatives."

The NYLCV Environmental Scorecard Grades are based on a scale of 0 to 100 and calculated by dividing the number of pro-environment votes or co-sponsorships by the number of bills a legislator was scored on. The scorecard is available here and a sampling of the legislation is noted below.

The inaugural State Legislative Environmental Scorecard is based on the NYLCV Eco Hot List, which details environmental legislation as it moves through the legislature. The senator supported a number of the priority bills on the Eco Hot List, including:

- Establishing a list of chemicals of high concern to children and requiring manufacturers to list those chemicals if used in their products (S6034)
- Establishing cheaper and greater access for New Yorkers to install and use renewable sources of energy (S688)
- Lowering the standards for elevated blood lead levels to reflect current scientific guidelines (S6472)
- Raising the standards for water-efficient plumbing and appliances in New York State (S4591A)

A full list of the Eco Hot List is available here.

RELATED LEGISLATION

2017-S6034

- Introduced
- o In Committee Assembly
 - In Committee Senate

• o On Floor Calendar Assembly o On Floor Calendar Senate • o Passed Assembly Passed Senate • Delivered to Governor • Signed By Governor Provides for the regulation of chemicals of high concern to children May 10, 2017 In Senate Committee Environmental Conservation Sponsored by Tony Avella

2017-S688

- Introduced
- o In Committee Assembly
 - o In Committee Senate

• o On Floor Calendar Assembly o On Floor Calendar Senate • o Passed Assembly Passed Senate • Delivered to Governor • Signed By Governor Includes geothermal energy systems within the meaning of the term "qualified energy efficiency services" for purposes of on-bill financing under the power NY act of 2011 January 04, 2017 Signed by Governor Sponsored by Robert G. Ortt

2017-S6472

- Introduced
- o In Committee Assembly
 - o In Committee Senate

- o On Floor Calendar Assembly
 - o On Floor Calendar Senate
- o Passed Assembly
 - Passed Senate
- Delivered to Governor
- Signed By Governor

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Relates to the definition of elevated blood lead levels

May 24, 2017

In Senate Committee Finance

Sponsored by Kemp Hannon

Do you support this bill?

2017-S4591A

- Introduced
- o In Committee Assembly
 - o In Committee Senate

- o On Floor Calendar Assembly
 - o On Floor Calendar Senate
- o Passed Assembly
 - Passed Senate
- Delivered to Governor
- Signed By Governor

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Relates to water saving performance standards

February 21, 2017

In Senate Committee Environmental Conservation

Sponsored by David J. Valesky

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