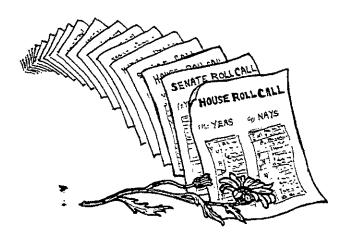
Environmental Voting Record 1977

80th Illinois General Assembly



Illinois Environmental Council January, 1978

Synopsis of Bills

Each bill introduced in the 80th General Assembly was considered for its potential impact on the environment. Bills that received a final vote in either chamber of the Assembly were selected for this voting analysis. Many of the bills were the object of active environmental lobbying.

- HB 184 Flood Plain Management Williams; Senate sponsor, Walsh. This bill, the Flood Plain Management Act, authorizes the Department of Transportation to designate flood plains and regulate construction upon them, with the approval of the local agency having jurisdiction in the flood plain area. Passed in the House, May 3; in Senate, assigned to Local Government Committee; tabled June 8. IEC supported this bill.
- HB 730 the "Bottle Bill" Pierce. This bill, the Illinois Beverage Container Act, would have provided for a minimum five-cent deposit on all beer and soft drink cans and bottles sold in Illinois; a mandatory refund of deposits by all dealers for all brands and sizes that they sell; a ban on the detachable metal "pull tab"; and a phase-in to ease transition. Passed the House Environment Committee (the first Illinois "bottle bill" ever to get out of committee); failed in the House on May 11. Support for this bill was IEC's top priority in 1977.
- HB 747 No Penalty for Solar Energy Use Levin; Senate sponsor, Buzbee. This bill, which became law August 30, 1977, prohibits a public utility from considering the use of solar energy by a customer a basis for establishing higher rates or any other penalty. IEC supported this bill.
- HB 766 Land Use Commission Mugalian; Senate sponsor, Leonard. This bill would create the Land Resources Management Study Commission, to be composed of ten legislative members and eight public members. The Commission would study all land uses and practices, existing and potential, and make recommendations to the General Assembly. Passed the House May 12; failed in the Senate, June 28. IEC supported this bill.
- HB 1593, Amendment 6 Deletion of Nature Preserve Funds Mautino. This amendment to the Department of Conservation appropriations bill would have deleted the 1977-78 budget for the Nature Preserves Commission. The funds were later restored by the Senate, and the House concurred with the Senate's action. IEC opposed the amendment.
- SB 245 Transport of Hazardous Materials Maragos; House sponsor, Giglio. The Illinois Hazardous Materials Transportation Act. This bill, which became law on August 26, authorizes the Secretary of the Illinois Department of Transportation to provide safety regulations for the highway transport of hazardous materials. IEC supported this bill.

- SB 281 Sulfur Dioxide Standards Donnewald; House sponsor, Hart. This bill would have amended the Environmental Protection Act by specifying that certain criteria for sulfur dioxide emission sources could not be stricter than necessary to meet federal Ambient Air Quality Standards. It also set deadlines for the Pollution Control Board to promulgate new standards for SO2 emissions. This bill would have made possible increases in sulfur pollution in Illinois. The bill passed the Senate on May 17. However, Rep. Virginia MacDonald was successful in amending the bill to delete the part which tied the state to federal standards. The Senate refused to concur with the House amendment, and in a very close vote the House agreed to drop the MacDonald amendment. The bill was vetoed by Governor Thompson on September 23. In November, the Senate voted to override the Governor's veto. However, the House failed to override the vote. IEC opposed this bill but supported the MacDonald amendment. Defeat of this bill received highest priority from IEC in the summer and fall of 1977.
- SB 639 Little Wabash River Watershed Bruce; House sponsor, Cunningham. This bill, which became law on September 12, 1977, authorizes the Department of Transportation to make agreements, develop and regulate water storage, and acquire rights-of-way in the Little Wabash River Watershed. The bill opens the door for the construction of the Louisville Reservoir in Clay County by making it easier for the Division of Waterways to enter into agreements with the Corps of Engineers or anyone else for land condemnation and purchase. IEC opposed this bill.
- SB 944 Solar Energy Act Numrod; House sponsor, Geo-Karis. The Comprehensive Solar Energy Act of 1977. This bill, which became law Aug. 30, 1977, makes the Division of Energy responsible for instituting a variety of demonstration projects in both public and private buildings; establishes incentives for construction of solar energy systems; and provides for educational programs on solar energy. IEC supported this bill.
- SB 1148 Conservation Easement Glass; House sponsor, Katz. This bill, which became law on September 12, 1977, specifies that an owner of real property may convey a conservation right or easement to any state agency, unit of local government, or not-for-profit group. (Conservation rights include preservation of structures of architectural, historical, or cultural significance, land and water areas in their natural settings, and archeological sites.) IEC supported this bill.

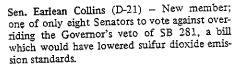
Environmental Legislators of the Year

A total of 27 Representatives and 8 Senators have been named Environmental Legislators of the Year on the basis of their votes on key environmental bills. Two additional Representatives are being recognized for their leadership on environmental legislation rather than their overall voting record.

The method used to determine each legislator's rating is explained on page 8 of this booklet.



Sen. Arthur Berman (D-11) — Has continued the pattern he established in the House of voting for environmental bills (House ratings of 100% in 1973, 87% in 1975); co-sponsored SB 245, the Hazardous Materials Transportation Act.





Sen. Bradley Glass (R-1) — The only Senator to have an environmental rating of 100% in 1977; a 1975 award winner; the first legislator in Illinois to introduce a "bottle bill" (in 1973); introduced another in 1975; sponsored SB 1148 establishing conservation easements.

Sen. Vivian Hickey (D-34) — An award winner in 1975; has not only favored environmental bills but has also been the prime sponsor of legislation supporting the Nature Preserves Commission.



Sen. Larry Leonard (D-31) — came in midterm but has compiled an excellent record; chaired the Senate Ozone Hazard Study Committee, which has solicited citizen comment on the ozone problem in Illinois; Senate Sponsor of the Land Use Commission bill.

Sen. Dawn Clark Netsch (D-13) — an award winner in 1973 and 1975; a strong opponent of funding for the dam on the Middle Fork of the Vermilion River: co-sponsored SB 245.



Sen. Jack Schaffer (R-33) — has improved an already good environmental record (77% in both 1975 and 1973); co-sponsored SB 245.

Sen. Don Wooten (D-36) — an award winner in 1973 and 1975; provided Senate leadership to stop funding for the Middle Fork dam in 1976; was instrumental in getting the Water Resources Commission to vote against funding for the project.

Rep. Boris Antonovych (R-19) — New member; cosponsored HB 730 (the Bottle Bill); consistently supported sound environmental legislation as a member of the House Environment Committee.

Rep. Woods Bowman (D-11) — New member; co-sponsored Bottle Bill and Scenic Rivers bill (HB 1718), and responsible for 1978 redraft of the latter; floor leader opposing SB 62 which facilitates construction of the Louisville reservoir; a strong voice on Environment Comm.

Rep. Susan Catania (R-22) — Cosponsored Bottle Bill; has improved a consistently good voting record to 100% support of environmental issues.

Rep. Eugenia Chapman (D-3) — Cosponsored Bottle Bill and HB 764, the Nuclear Power Evaluation Act; has advanced 90% support in 1973 and 1975 to 100% this year.

Rep. L. Michael Getty (D-10) — Sponsored HB 104, restricting the manufacture and use of PCBs, and HB 533, regulating storage of hazardous material; cosponsored Bottle Bill; consistent supporter on Environment Committee; introduced IEC-backed measure to move strip mine reclamation out of the Dept. of Mines and Minerals.

Rep. Alan Greiman (D-15) — Cosponsored Bottle Bill; 100% environmental voting record in 1975 as well as 1977.

Rep. Michael Holewinski (D-17) — Cosponsor of Bottle Bill; a strong vote for environmental and consumer positions on Public Utilities Committee; improved upon an already good 88% rating in 1975.

Rep. James Houlihan (D-13) — Cosponsored Bottle Bill; strong supporter of environmental legislation on the House Environment Committee in 1976; consistently good voting record—90% in 1973, 98% in 1975.

Rep. Aaron Jaffe (D-4) — Cosponsored Bottle Bill and Scenic Rivers bill; an excellent voting record—90% in 1973, 100% in 1975 and 1977.

Rep. Timothy Johnson (R-52) — New member; cosponsored Bottle Bill; active floor support to defeat SB 639, which facilitates construction of the Louisville Reservoir.







Rep. Douglas Kane (D-50) — Great improvement since 1975 in environmental voting record; a strong voice on the Appropriations Committee in opposition to funding for the dam on the Middle Fork of the Vermilion River.

Rep. Robert Kelly (D-9) — Cosponsor of Bottle Bill and Scenic Rivers bill; consistently fine voting record — 93% in 1973 and in 1975.

Rep. Ellis Levin (D-12) — New member; cosponsored Bottle Bill and Nuclear Power Evaluation Act; served on Public Utilities Committee; sponsored over 23 bills aimed at reforming utilities and Commerce Commission activities; major sponsor of HB 747 (no surcharge for solar use).

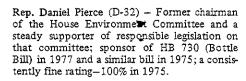
Rep. Robert Mann (D-24) — cosponsored Bottle Bill and Nuclear Power Evaluation Act; excellent record on environmental votes—90% in 1973, 97% in 1975.



Rep. William Marovitz (D-12) — Cosponsored Bottle Bill; strong voice on the Public Utilities Committee for consumer and environmental legislation; introduced many bills to reform public utilities and promote consumer protection.

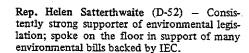
Rep. J. Theodore Meyer (R-28) — Cosponsored Bottle Bill; strong supporter of sound legislation on the Environment Committee; proposed two good bills—HP 36 for the construction of cance bypasses around dams on Illinois' streams, and HP 37 for protection of archaeological sites.

Rep. Richard Mugalian (D-2) — Main sponsor of Nuclear Power Evaluation Act (764) and Land Resources Commission (766); sponsored 1975 bottle bill; the leading voice for land use planning and examination of nuclear power in the House; upped a 97% rating in 1973 and 1975 to 100%.



Rep. David Robinson (D-50) — New member; cosponsored Bottle Bill; served on the Public Utilities Committee and was a main supporter of environmental and consumer legislation.

Rep. Elroy Sandquist (R-13) - New member; cosponsor of Bottle Bill (730).



Rep. J. Glenn Schneider (D-41) — Sponsored HB 1718 (Scenic Rivers bill); cosponsor of Bottle Bill and Nuclear Power Evaluation Act; supported consumer and environmental bills on the Public Utilities Committee; 100% rating in 1973, 1975, and 1977.

Rep. Calvin Skinner (R-33) — Very helpful on the House Appropriations Committee in deleting funding for the Middle Fork Reservoir in 1976; a fine environmental voting record over the years.

Rep. Terry Steczo (D-9) — New member; cosponsor of Bottle Bill and Nuclear Power Evaluation Act; a strong voice for environmental and consumer bills on the Public Utilities Committee; chief sponsor of HB 1287 (no rate hikes (for utilities failing to meet environmental standards).

Rep. Arthur Telcser (R-12) – Cosponsored Bottle Bill; improved already good 1973 and 1975 ratings.

Rep. Anne Willer (D-6) — Cosponsor of Bottle Bill; advanced from a 75% rating in 1975 to 100% in 1977.

Rep. Jacob John Wolf (R-17) — New member; cosponsor of Bottle Bill; strong opposition to SB 281 and lowered sulfur dioxide standards.



SPECIAL AWARDS: For their leadership and initiative on environmental legislation, the following two Representatives deserve recognition.

Rep. Virginia MacDonald (R-3) — A long-time supporter of environmental legislation; introduced Scenic Rivers legislation in 1973, 1975 and 1977; led the fight in the House to amend SB 281, and battled successfully to keep the House from overriding the Governor's veto of that bill.

Rep. Theodore Leverenz (D-5) — Leader in the House and on the Appropriations Committee in 1976 to defeat funding for Middle Fork dam; introduced the amendment in committee which deleted funding for the dam; in 1977 obtained an extension for the Ill. Prairie Path into Cook County, largely on his own initiative.





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