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VOTING RECORDS

ON
KEY BUSINESS ISSUES
1989 & 1990 SESSIONS
OF
THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE



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"VOTING RECORDS" ARE THE "KEY"

The voting records contained herein show how the members of the Florida Legislature voted on major issues of interest to the general business community in Florida during the 1989 and 1990 Regular Sessions of the Legislature. These certainly are not the only major issues of interest to the business community, but they are the ones where it is felt a definite philosophical vote was necessary. As will be noted, there are votes listed on amendments, and in committees in addition to votes on final passage of bills. In many cases, the votes on amendments, and in committees are much more significant than votes on final passage but are seldom reported to the business community and the public. This report attempts to fill that void. The 1990 votes on final passage of bills have not been corrected at this time. Please be advised that it is possible for corrections to be made in these votes. The corrected final votes will be available in the House and Senate Bound Journals in October 1990. Since these Bound Journals will be unavailable prior to the Primary Elections, Associated Industries of Florida is basing the 1990 voting records on final passage of bills from the regular 1990 House and Senate Journals. If there are any changes in the Bound Journals, Associated Industries will notify you after October 1990. The 1989 votes on final passage of bills were taken from the 1989 House and Senate Bound Journals.

No one vote should sway your opinion of your legislators. However, after reviewing this booklet, it is hoped you will draw your own conclusions as to whether or not your legislators' "votes" on major business issues have been in the best interest of your business and the entire business community.

PICK YOUR CANDIDATES AND "GET INVOLVED"

It matters little what a legislator says during a campaign for office unless his "voting record" supports his rhetoric. Your company, its employees, and the stockholders have a big stake in the legislative process. The "votes" of your legislators should be one of the principal basis upon which "support" or "opposition" of a candidate for election is determined.

Your Association cannot tell you which legislators you should "support" or "oppose" - BUT, AIF FEELS COMPELLED IN THE BEST INTEREST OF YOUR COMPANY TO URGE YOU TO BECOME INVOLVED IN THE ELECTIVE PROCESS BY SUPPORTING THOSE CANDIDATES WHO, BY THEIR VOTING RECORDS, HAVE SHOWN THAT THEY SUPPORT THE FREE ENTERPRISE SYSTEM. IF YOU FAIL TO STAND UP FOR YOUR COMPANY'S INTEREST AT ELECTION TIME, THEN HALF OF THE BATTLE HAS BEEN LOST BEFORE THE FIRST VOTE IS CAST BY THE LEGISLATURE.

This year, 120 seats will be up for reelection in the Florida House of Representatives and 21 seats in the Florida Senate. PLEASE CONSIDER THE VOTING RECORDS OF THE CANDIDATES BEFORE BECOMING INVOLVED IN THE ELECTIVE PROCESS; THEN, "BECOME INVOLVED" BY SUPPORTING THE CANDIDATES WHO BEST REPRESENT YOUR INTEREST.

Sincerely,


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We Stand Up For Business!

"SENATE VOTING STATISTICS"
1989 & 1990 Regular Sessions
of
THE FLORIDA LEGISLATURE

SENATOR	ISSUE														TOTAL ○	TOTAL ●	% WITH AIF			
	CS/SB 896 - Workers' Compensation Reform - Senate Floor - 1989	SB 175 - Wrongful Death - Senate Judiciary - Civil Committee - 1989	CS/SB 175 - Wrongful Death - Senate Insurance Committee - 1989	CS/SB 175 - Wrongful Death - Senate Floor - 1989	CS/HB 629 - UC/Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount - Senate Floor - 1989	CS/HB 1514 - UC/Short Time Compensation - Senate Floor - 1989	SB 47 - Occupational License Tax - Senate Community Affairs Committee - 1989	CS/SB 205 - Sales Tax Exemption/Com. Motor Vehicles - Senate Fin. Tax & Claims Comm.-1989	SB 265 - UC/Jury Duty - Senate Floor - 1990	SB 275 - Attorney/Information Sharing - Senate Floor - 1990	SB 324 - Wrongful Death - Senate Judiciary - Civil Committee - 1990	SB 324 - Wrongful Death - Senate Floor - 1990	CS/HB 2743 - Family Medical Leave - Senate Floor - 1990	CS/HB 3809 - WC Reform - Senate Floor - 1990	SB 1706 - Health Care Sales Tax - Senate Finance, Taxation & Claims Committee - 1990	CS/SB 1110 - Law Enforcement Suppl. Sales Tax - Sen. Corrections/Prob/Parole Comm. - 1990	CS/HB 3695 - Tax Package - Senate Floor - 1990			
Bankhead	○			○	●	○			○	●		○	○	○			○	5	3	67
Beard	○			○	●	○			○	○		○	○	○			○	7	3	70
Brown	○			○	●	○			○	●		○	○	○			○	6	4	60
Bruner	○			○	●	○		○	○	○		○	○	○	●		○	6	6	50
Casas	○	●		○	●	○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	6	6	50
Childers, D.	○			○	●	○		○	○	○		○	○	○	●		○	6	5	65
Childers, W.D.	○			○	●	○			○	○		○	○	○			○	5	5	50
Crawford	○			○	●	○			○	○		○	○	○			○	4	5	44
Crenshaw	○			○	●	○			○	○		○	○	○			○	4	6	40
Davis	○	●		○	●	○	●		○	○	●	○	○	○				4	5	33
Deratany	○		●	○	●			○	○	○		○	○	○	●		○	4	6	33
Diaz-Balart									○	○		○	○	○			○	5	7	42
Dudley	○	●		○	●	○		○	○	○	●	○	○	○	●		○	6	8	43
Forman	○				○	○	●		○	○		○	○	○	●		○	5	7	46
Gardner				○	○	○			○	○		○	○	○			○	5	4	56
Girardeau	○	●		○	●	○		○	○	○		○	○	○	●	●	○	6	6	43
Gordon	○			○	●	○			○	○		○	○	○			○	4	5	44
Grant	○	●		○	●	○			○	○	●	○	○	○			○	6	6	50
Grizzle	○			○	●	○			○	○		○	○	○		●	○	5	6	45
Jennings	○		●	○	●	○			○	○		○	○	○			○	5	5	50
Johnson	○	●		○	●	○			○	○	●	○	○	○			○	5	7	42
Kirkpatrick	○					○	●		○	○		○	○	○				3	4	43
Kiser	○			○	●	○	●	○	○	○		○	○	○	●		○	6	6	50
Langley	○		●	○	●	○		○	○	○	●	○	○	○	●			6	6	50
Malchon	○			○	●	○		○	○	○		○	○	○	●		○	6	6	50
Margolis	○	●		○	●	○			○	○		○	○	○			○	4	4	50
McPherson	○			○	●	○			○	○		○	○	○			○	4	3	57
Meek	○			○	●	○	●		○	○		○	○	○			○	5	6	45
Myers	○			○	●	○			○	○		○	○	○			○	5	5	50
Peterson	○			○	●	○			○	○		○	○	○			○	6	3	67
Plummer	○	●		○	●	○	○		○	○	○	○	○			●	○	6	5	62
Scott	○		●	○	●	○			○	○		○	○	○				4	5	44
Souto	○			○	●	○		○	○	○		○	○	○	●		○	6	6	50
Stuart	○	●		○	●	○					●		○	○				3	5	38
Thomas	○		○	○	●	○			○	○		○	○	○			○	6	3	73
Thurman	○			○	●	○	●		○	○		○	○	○		●	○	5	7	42
Walker	○		●	○	●	○				○		○	○	○		●	○	5	7	42
Weinstein	○	●	●	○	●	○		○	○	○	●	○	○	○			○	5	8	43
Weinstock	○			○	●	○		○	○	○		○	○	○	●		○	6	6	50
Woodson-Howard	○			○	○	○			○	○		○	○	○		●	○	5	5	45
ISSUE # (See key on p. 2-4)	1	2	2	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	9	10	11	12	13	14			

○ - Vote **FOR** position of AIF

SENATE AVERAGE = 49%

● - Vote **AGAINST** position of AIF

1 - Elected to the Senate August 29, 1989 (Replaced I. Ros-Lehtinen). Was previously a member of the House of Representatives; his 1989 Voting Record in the House (2 ○, 4 ●) has been combined with the 1990 Senate Voting Record for an average of 42%. "●" Votes are as follows: HB 851, Appropriations Committee & House Floor; CS/HB 629, Appropriations Committee & House Floor. "○" Votes are as follows: CS/HB 1514, House Floor, CS/SB 896, House Floor.

KEY TO SENATE VOTES

- #1 **CS/SB 896 -- WORKERS' COMPENSATION REFORM** by the Senate Commerce Committee incorporated nearly all of AIF's Workers' Compensation Committee proposals and attempted to help bring the workers' compensation system back under control. It was expected that the bill would generate the cost savings necessary to de-escalate workers' compensation rate increases. The bill, originally the product of the Governor's Task Force on Workers' Compensation, had been amended repeatedly in an attempt to produce the immediate relief necessary to avert a request by insurance companies in 1989 for a rate increase in excess of 30%. On June 2, 1989, the Senate passed this crucial bill by a vote of 39-0. A "yea" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.
- #2 **SB 175 -- WRONGFUL DEATH** by Senator Eleanor Weinstock (D-West Palm Beach) attempted to expand the definition of "survivors" in wrongful death actions to include adult children. It would have permitted adult, as well as minor, children to recover when there was no surviving spouse, and also allow parents of a deceased adult child to recover for mental pain and suffering if there were no other survivors. AIF opposed broadening the class of persons who may recover in an action for wrongful death. On April 4, 1989, the Senate Judiciary - Civil Committee passed the bill by a vote of 10-0. A "yea" vote is a vote against the position of AIF.
- On April 12, 1989, the Senate Insurance Committee passed SB 175 by a vote of 6 yeas, 1 nay. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.
- On May 24, 1989, the bill was heard on the Senate Floor and passed by a vote of 30 yeas, 6 nays. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.
- #3 **CS/HB 629 -- UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION/MAXIMUM WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT** by Representative Bill Clark (D-Plantation) was the perennial push to index the unemployment compensation maximum weekly benefit amount at a percentage of the statewide average weekly wage. It would have switched from the current flat cap on the maximum to a flexible cap (60% of the statewide average weekly wage). AIF has opposed this legislation for several years for various reasons, included among which are the loss of control over the maximum by the Legislature once indexed, the effect on unemployment compensation trust fund solvency, and the fact that indexing would mean an immediate increase in the maximum, which translates into a tax increase for many Florida employers.
- On June 1, 1989, the bill was debated before the full Senate and passed by a vote of 38-0. A "yea" vote is a vote against the position of AIF.
- #4 **CS/HB 1514 -- UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION/SHORT TIME COMPENSATION** by Representative Bob Shelley (R-Pompano Beach) was filed on behalf of AIF. The bill extended indefinitely the Short Time Compensation Program established by the Legislature in 1983 under the Florida Unemployment Compensation Law to permit employers to spread the burden of unemployment by paying prorated unemployment compensation benefits to employees laid off for a portion of the week, and thus avoid the total layoff of some of the employees. This program enables employees to "share the work" available from their employer and enables employers to quickly gear up when business conditions improve. It was slated to expire on December 31, 1989. The bill passed on the Senate Floor on June 2, 1989 by a vote of 38-0. A "yea" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

#5 **SB 47 – OCCUPATIONAL LICENSE TAX** by Senator Fred Dudley (R-Cape Coral) sought an additional local occupational license tax (up to 50%) to implement a comprehensive economic development strategy. Specifically, proceeds from the additional tax would be placed in an interest-earning account, and this revenue, plus accrued interest, would be distributed to an organization or agency designated by the governing body of the municipality to oversee and implement a comprehensive economic development strategy through advertising, promotional activities, and other sales and marketing techniques. This proposal would create, if passed, inequitable and inconsistent taxation and thus thwart economic development. Occupational license taxes should be assessed only to cover the administrative expenses associated with regulating the occupations licensed. This proposal bears no relationship between the dollar amount of occupational licenses paid by various businesses and the potential benefits from economic development derived by those businesses. On April 18, 1989, the Senate Community Affairs Committee passed the bill by a vote of 6 yeas, 1 nay. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

#6 **CS/SB 266 – SALES TAX EXEMPTION/COMMERCIAL MOTOR VEHICLES** by the Senate Finance, Taxation & Claims Committee and Senator Tim Deratany (R-Indian Harbour Beach) was the Department of Revenue's clean-up bill. It included a provision to exempt from sales tax any lease of a commercial motor vehicle on which the sales tax was paid at the time of purchase and the subsequent lease of the vehicle is for a period greater than one year. In addition, this legislation would allow the sale or transfer of commercial vehicles between two commonly owned or controlled corporations to be exempt from sales tax if the sales tax was paid on the original acquisition of the vehicle. AIF supported this concept because it further enhanced the different tax treatment of affiliated groups of corporations. On March 9, 1989, the Senate Finance, Taxation & Claims Committee passed the bill by a vote of 12-0. A "yea" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

#7 **SB 268 – UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION/JURY DUTY** by Senator Toni Jennings (R-Orlando) clarified that a person who is called for jury duty before a jury of the state and federal courts may not be disqualified from receiving unemployment compensation benefits based upon that jury service.

Although this measure was noncontroversial, it was a concern of Associated Industries that labor groups would attempt to amend the bill to include such controversial items as the formulization of the maximum weekly benefit amount. No such action was attempted in the Senate when the bill passed on the Floor on April 17, 1990 by a vote of 38-0. A "yea" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

#8 **SB 278 – ATTORNEYS/INFORMATION SHARING** by Senator Richard Langley (R-Clermont) is one of the litigation-producing bills passed by the 1990 Legislature. It allows disclosure of information and materials that are subject to a protective order. A judge will no longer be able to issue a protective order which will protect sensitive information. AIF lobbied strenuously against this legislation in both Houses; however, the bill passed the Senate on May 30, 1990, by a vote of 34 yeas, 2 nays. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

#9 **SB 324 – WRONGFUL DEATH** by Senator Peter Weinstein (D-Tamarac) expands the class of people who can sue for wrongful death. The bill became law without the Governor's signature on May 16, 1990, allowing adult children as well as the parents of adult children to sue for noneconomic damages in the vague category of mental pain and suffering. AIF stressed that this bad legislation unnecessarily expands the class of people who can sue and will increase litigation and insurance costs. On April 4, 1990 the Senate Judiciary - Civil Committee passed SB 321 by a vote of 7 yeas, 2 nays. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF. On April 17, 1990 the bill passed the full Senate by a vote of 31 yeas, 6 nays. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

#10 **CS/HB 2743 – FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE** by Representative Elaine Bloom (D-Miami Beach) and the House Employee & Management Relations Committee sought to create the "Family Support Personnel Policies Act" for state employees. The bill directed the Department of Administration to develop a model rule with respect to family support personnel policies, which included parental or family medical leave. Although directed at state employees only, AIF anticipated that the Legislature would return in 1991 and attempt a similar policy for the private sector and so opposed passage of the bill. On May 30, 1990, the Senate passed CS/HB 2743 by a vote of 35 yeas, 3 nays. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

- #11 **CS/HB 3809 -- WORKERS' COMPENSATION REFORM** by the House Committees on Commerce and Appropriations and Representative Art Simon (D-Miami) and others was the massive Workers' Compensation package voted into law by the 1990 Legislature. AIF worked for two years to reform the system and CS/HB 3809 contained almost every proposal AIF's Workers' Compensation Committee made. On June 1, 1990 the Senate amended onto the bill a Division of Safety within the Department of Labor and Employment Security and passed it by a vote of 36-0, and returned the bill to the House where it was subsequently passed. A "yea" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.
- #12 **SB 1708 -- HEALTH CARE SALES TAX** by Senator Helen Gordon Davis (D-Tampa) sought to authorize a county the ability to impose an indigent care surtax on the sales tax of up to 3/10% for indigent health care costs, pursuant to a referendum. While this was a very laudable effort to take care of indigent health care costs, it was an inappropriate revenue source for this type expenditure. The 6% state sales tax, plus local option sales taxes are fast eroding the revenue capacity of the sales tax. Every local option sales tax further reduces the ability of the State of Florida to raise needed revenue for the state. On May 22, 1990, the Senate Finance, Taxation & Claims Committee passed the bill by a vote of 11-0. A "yea" vote is a vote against the position of AIF.
- #13 **CS/SB 1110 -- LAW ENFORCEMENT SUPPLEMENTAL SALES TAX** by Senator Richard Langley (R-Clermont) would have served as the implementing language of a proposed constitutional amendment to allow the imposition of a 1% sales tax increase to be used solely for funding of construction and operations of jails, prisons, and the office of state attorneys and public defenders. AIF does not support any provision which would levy an additional 1% sales tax for a restricted use. The State of Florida General Revenue Fund relies on the sales tax as its major source of revenue and any restrictions would cause further problems in funding many unmet needs. On May 1, 1990, the Senate Corrections, Probation and Parole Committee voted the bill favorably 6-0. A "yea" vote is a vote against the position of AIF.
- #14 **CS/SB 3695 -- TAX PACKAGE** by the Appropriations Committee and the Finance & Taxation Committee will produce over \$1 billion in tax increases to fund a record high budget of \$27.4 billion. During the 1990 Session, many revenue generating proposals were discussed, both fee and tax increases, including the disastrous unitary tax concept for corporate tax filing. The unitary tax language was introduced in a Senate Floor amendment and passed without the Senate's knowledge of the impact it would have on the Florida business community. Follow-up conversations with legislative staff indicated that the unitary tax provision was a somewhat limited "waters-edge" concept, but nevertheless, a unitary tax. During Conference Committee meetings on CS/HB 3695, the unitary tax provision was deleted and the Senate passed the bill as it emerged from Conference Committee by a vote of 28 yeas, 6 nays on June 1, 1990. A "yea" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

**Ranking of the Florida Senate by Percentage of Votes
FOR the Position of Associated Industries of Florida
During 1989-1990 Regular Sessions
(Highest to Lowest)**

RANK	SENATOR	Total # Votes FOR Position of AIF	Total # Votes AGAINST Position of AIF	% of Votes with AIF
1	Thomas	8	3	73
2	Beard	7	3	70
3	Bankhead	6	3	67
3	Peterson	6	3	67
5	Plummer	8	5	62
6	Brown	6	4	60
7	McPherson	4	3	57
8	Gardner	5	4	56
9	Childers, D.	6	5	55
10	Bruner	6	6	50
10	Casas	6	6	50
10	Childers, W. D.	5	5	50
10	Grant	6	6	50
10	Jennings	5	5	50
10	Kiser	6	6	50
10	Langley	6	6	50
10	Malchon	6	6	50
10	Margolis	4	4	50
10	Myers	5	5	50
10	Souto	6	6	50
10	Weinstock	6	6	50
22	Forman	6	7	46
23	Grizzle	5	6	45
23	Meek	5	6	45
23	Woodson-Howard	5	6	45
26	Crawford	4	5	44
26	Gordon	4	5	44
26	Scott	4	5	44
29	Dudley	6	8	43
29	Girardeau	6	8	43
29	Kirkpatrick	3	4	43
29	Weinstein	6	8	43
33	Diaz-Balart	5	7	42
33	Johnson	5	7	42
33	Thurman	5	7	42
36	Walker	5	7	42
37	Crenshaw	4	6	40
38	Stuart	3	5	38
39	Davis	4	8	33
39	Deratany	4	8	33

SENATE AVERAGE = 49%

Note: Rankings are based on overall position within each house, with all members with the same percentage of votes with AIF receiving the same ranking.

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REPRESENTATIVE	ISSUE	HB 178 - UC/Lockout - Committee on Employee & Management Relations - 1989	HB 857 - Minimum Wage - House Committee on Employee & Management Relations - 1989	HB 857 - Minimum Wage - House Appropriations Committee - 1989	HB 857 - Minimum Wage - House Floor - 1989	HB 829 - UC/Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount - House Job Training Subcommittee - 1989	CS/HB 829 - UC/Maximum Weekly Benefit Amt. - House Emp. & Mgt. Relations Committee - 1989	CS/HB 829 - UC/Maximum Weekly Benefit Amt. - House Appropriations Committee - 1989	CS/HB 829 - UC/Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount - House Floor - 1989	CS/HB 1514 - UC/Short Time Compensation - House Floor - 1989	CS/SB 896 - Workers' Compensation Reform - House Floor - 1989	SB 268 - UC/Jury Duty - House Floor - 1990	SB 278 - Attorneys/Information Sharing - House Floor - 1990	CS/HB 839 - Attorneys/Information Sharing - House Judiciary Committee - 1990	HB 2433 - WC Presumption/Firefighters and EMTs - House Emp. & Mgt. Rel. Comm. - 1990	CS/HB 3809 - WC Reform - House Floor Amendment #39 - 1990	CS/HB 3809 - WC Reform - House Floor Amendment #45 - 1990	CS/HB 3809 - WC Reform - House Floor - 1990	CS/HB 2743 - Family Medical Leave - House Floor - 1990	TOTAL ○	TOTAL ●	% WITH AIF
Abrams				●	●		●	●	○	○	○	○	●			●	●	○	●	9	8	27
Albright					○			○	○	○	○	○	●	●		○	○	○	○	9	2	82
Arnall		○			○		○	○	○	○	○	○	●		●	○	○	○	○	11	2	85
Arnold					○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	4	4	50
Ascherl		●	○		○		●	○	○	○	○	○	○		●	○	○	○	○	2	7	50
Bainter					○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	9	1	90
Banjanin					○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	9	1	90
Bloom				●	●		●	●	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	9	8	27
Boyd ¹					○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	9	1	90
Bronson				○			○		○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	11	0	100
Brown				○	○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	3	8	33
Burke				●	●		●	●	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	3	8	27
Canady				○	○		○		○	○	○	○	○	●		○	○	○	○	9	3	75
Carpenter					○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	9	1	90
Clark		○	●	●	●		●	●	○	○	○	○			●	○	○	○	○	4	10	29
Clements											●					○	○	○	○	1	3	25
Cosgrove					○			○	○	○	○	○	○	●		○	○	○	○	4	7	36
Crady				○	○		○	○	○	○	○	○	○	○		○	○	○	○	5	5	50
Crotty					○			○	○	○	○	○	○	○		○	○	○	○	10	1	91
Dantzler					○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	8	1	88
Davis				●	●		●	●	○	○	○	○	○	○		○	○	○	○	4	0	31
DeGrandy ²												○	○	○		○	○	○	○	2	4	33
Deutsch					○			○	○	○	○	○	○	○		○	○	○	○	4	8	40
Diaz-Balart, M.				●	●		●		○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	4	8	33
Drage					○			○	○	○	○	○	○	○		○	○	○	○	9	2	82
Easterly					○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	4	5	44
Figg				●			●	●	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	9	8	38
Flagg				●	○		○	○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	6	5	55
Frankel					○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	4	5	44
Friedman					○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	4	8	40
Frishe		○	○		○			○	○	○	○	○	○		●	○	○	○	○	11	2	85
Garcia ³												○	○			○	○	○	○	3	3	50
Geller					○			○	○	○	○	○	○	○		○	○	○	○	4	7	36
Glickman				●	●		●	●	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	4	6	33
Goode		●	○		○		○	○	○	○	○		○		●	○	○	○	○	8	6	50
Gordon					○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	3	8	33
Graber					○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	4	0	40
Graham					○			○	○	○	○	○	○	○		○	○	○	○	10	1	91
Grindle					○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	10	0	100
Guber				●	●		●	●	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	4	7	36
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○ - Vote **FOR** position of AIF

● - Vote **AGAINST** position of AIF

1 - Elected to House January 17, 1989 (Replaced Gene Hodges).

2 - Elected to House August 29, 1989 (Replaced Lincoln Diaz-Balart, who was elected to the Senate).

3 - Elected to House September 26, 1989 (Replaced Nilo Juni).

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REPRESENTATIVE	ISSUE	MS 178 - UC/Lockout - Committee on Employee & Management Relations - 1989	MS 851 - Minimum Wage - House Committee on Employee & Management Relations - 1989	MS 851 - Minimum Wage - House Appropriations Committee - 1989	MS - 851 - Minimum Wage - House Floor - 1989	MS 629 - UC/Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount - House Job Training Subcommittee - 1989	CS/HB 629 - UC/Maximum Weekly Benefit Amt. - House Emp. & Mgt. Relations Committee - 1989	CS/HB 629 - UC/Maximum Weekly Benefit Amt. - House Appropriations Committee - 1989	CS/HB 629 - UC/Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount - House Floor - 1989	CS/HB 7574 - UC/Short Time Compensation - House Floor - 1989	CS/SB 296 - Workers' Compensation Reform - House Floor - 1989	SB 265 - UC/Jury Duty - House Floor - 1990	SB 275 - Attorney/Information Sharing - House Floor - 1990	CS/HB 839 - Attorney/Information Sharing - House Judiciary Committee - 1990	MS 2433 - WC Presumption/Freighters and EMTs - House Emp. & Mgt. Rel. Comm. - 1990	CS/HB 3809 - WC Reform - House Floor Amendment #38 - 1990	CS/HB 3809 - WC Reform - House Floor Amendment #45 - 1990	CS/HB 3809 - WC Reform - House Floor - 1990	CS/HB 2743 - Family Medical Leave - House Floor - 1990	TOTAL ○	TOTAL ●	% WITH AIF
Gustafson																				0	2	0
Gutman					○				●	○	○	○	●			●	○	○		0	3	67
Hafner				●	●		●		●	○	○	○	●			●	●	○	●	4	6	33
Hanson					○				○	○	○	○	○	○		○	○	○	○	11	0	100
Harden					○				○	○	○	○	○	●		○	○	○	○	10	1	91
Hargrett					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	3	5	36
Harris	●				○		●		○	○	○	○	○		○	○	○	○	○	14	2	85
Hawkins					○			○			○	○	○	○		○	○	○	○	8	2	80
Healey	○	●			●		●		●	○	○	○	○		●	○	○	○	○	8	9	36
Hill					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	7	1	86
Hoffmann					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	9	1	90
Holland	○	●					○		○	○	○	○	○		●	○	○	○	○	12	2	86
Holzendorf			●		●		●		○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	3	8	27
Huenink					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	10	0	100
Ireland	○	●			●		●		○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	6	4	60
Irvine					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	9	1	90
Jamerson					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	5	5	50
Jennings					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	5	1	89
Johnson, B.L.			○				○		○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	7	5	58
Johnson, R.C.					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	7	1	88
Jones, C.F.									○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	7	1	88
Jones, D.L.					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	9	1	90
Kelly					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	8	2	80
King					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	9	1	90
Langton					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	5	5	50
Lawson		●			○		●		○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	5	7	42
Lewis					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	6	2	80
Liberti			●		●		●		○	○	○	○	○	●			○	○	○	4	7	36
Lippman					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	4	6	40
Locke	○	●			○		●		○	○	○	○	○		●		○	○	○	7	5	56
Logan					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	4	4	50
Lombard					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	9	0	100
Long			○		○			○	○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	9	3	75
MacKenzie					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	4	6	40
Mackey			○		○		○		○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	7	3	70
Martin																		○		1	0	100
Martinez					○				○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	2	6	25
McEwan					○				○	○	○	○	○	○		○	○	○	○	9	1	90
Messersmith									○	○	○	○	○			○	○	○	○	9	0	100
Mims	○	●			○		●		○	○	○	○	○		●	○	○	○	○	7	7	50
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○ - Vote **FOR** position of AIF

● - Vote **AGAINST** position of AIF

4 - Missed 1989 Regular Session due to illness.

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REPRESENTATIVE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	ISSUE	TOTAL	TOTAL	% WITH AIF
	HB 178 - UC/Lockout - Committee on Employee & Management Relations - 1989	HB 851 - Minimum Wage - House Committee on Employee Management Relations - 1989	HB 851 - Minimum Wage - House Appropriations Committee - 1989	HB - 851 - Minimum Wage - House Floor - 1989	HB 829 - UC/Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount - House Job Training Subcommittee - 1989	CS/HB 829 - UC/Maximum Weekly Benefit Amt. - House Emp. & Mgt. Relations Committee - 1989	CS/HB 829 - UC/Maximum Weekly Benefit Amt. - House Appropriations Committee - 1989	CS/HB 829 - UC/Maximum Weekly Benefit Amount - House Floor - 1989	CS/HB 1514 - UC/Short Time Compensation - House Floor - 1989	CS/SB 286 - Workers' Compensation Reform - House Floor - 1989	SB 268 - UC/Jury Duty - House Floor - 1990	SB 278 - Attorney/Information Sharing - House Floor - 1990	CS/HB 839 - Attorney/Information Sharing - House Judiciary Committee - 1990	HB 2433 - WC Presumption/Firefighters and EMTs - House Emp. & Mgt. Rel. Comm. - 1990	CS/HB 3809 - WC Reform - House Floor Amendment #39 - 1990	CS/HB 3809 - WC Reform - House Floor Amendment #45 - 1990	CS/HB 3809 - WC Reform - House Floor - 1990	CS/HB 2743 - Family Medical Leave - House Floor - 1990					
Mitchell																					0	4	67
Morse																					5	10	33
Mortham																					0	1	90
Nergard																					2	3	70
Ostrau																					5	6	60
Patchett																					0	0	100
Peeples																					0	8	38
Press																					4	7	36
Reaves																					2	6	33
Reddick																					4	5	44
Rehm																					0	4	67
Renke																					0	1	80
Ritchie																					0	2	50
Roberts																					5	6	45
Rojas																					7	3	70
Rudd																					0	3	75
Rush																					4	6	40
Safley																					0	0	100
Sanderson																					0	2	82
Sansom																					12	0	100
Saunders																					3	7	30
Shelley																					10	5	87
Silver																					3	4	43
Simon																					4	7	38
Simone																					0	0	100
Sindler																					7	5	58
Smith, C.																					10	0	100
Smith, K.																					0	0	100
Stone																					10	0	100
Thomas																					10	0	100
Tobiassen																					0	1	90
Tobin																					4	5	40
Trammell																					5	6	45
Troxler																					7	2	78
Valdes																					0	4	67
Wallace																					3	6	33
Webster																					0	0	100
Wetherell																					4	5	44
Wise																					11	1	92
Young																					2	5	33
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○ - Vote **FOR** position of AIF

● - Vote **AGAINST** position of AIF

5 - Elected to House in April, 1990 (Special Election to replace Representative Campbell).

HOUSE AVERAGE = 63%

KEY TO HOUSE VOTES

#1 **HB 178 -- UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION/LOCKOUT** by Representative George Crady (D-Yulee) was a bill Democratic leaders in the House wanted to see pass. The AFL-CIO and affiliated unions pushed hard for the bill which, if passed, would have granted unemployment compensation benefits to workers who had been locked out by management. The House Employee & Management Relations Committee was under pressure from "up above" and were hard pressed to vote against the bill. Some amendments were adopted that would have made the bill somewhat more palatable to the business community; however, AIF remained opposed to the bill's concept. The bill failed in the House Employee & Management Relations Committee on April 18, 1989, by the vote of 6 yeas, 9 nays. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

#2 **HB 851 -- MINIMUM WAGE** by Representative Tim Jamerson (D-St. Petersburg) sought to create a state minimum wage in excess of what was being contemplated by Congress at the same time. The House Employee & Management Relations Committee passed the bill by a vote of 8 yeas, 5 nays on May 11, 1989. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

On May 25, 1989, HB 851 passed the House Appropriations Committee by a vote of 22 yeas, 12 nays. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

On May 31, 1989, HB 851 was heard on the House Floor and defeated in a stunning victory for the business community. The vote was 50 yeas, 65 nays; a "nay" vote is a vote for the AIF position.

#3 **HB 629 -- UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION/MAXIMUM WEEKLY BENEFIT AMOUNT** by Representative Bill Clark (D-Plantation) was the perennial push to index the unemployment compensation maximum weekly benefit amount at a percentage of the statewide average weekly wage. It would have switched from the current flat cap on the maximum to a flexible cap (60% of the statewide average weekly wage). AIF has opposed this legislation for several years for various reasons, included among which are the loss of control over the maximum by the Legislature once indexed, the effect on unemployment compensation trust fund solvency, and the fact that indexing would mean an immediate increase in the maximum, which translates into a tax increase for many Florida employers.

AIF managed to defeat the bill in the Job Training Subcommittee on April 5, 1989, by a unanimous vote of 3 yeas - 0 nays (one vote was cast by former House member Representative Roy Campbell, who died in February, 1990). House leaders and the bill's sponsor had just assumed the bill would pass and were shocked when the opposite occurred. Unfortunately, this glorious victory could only be savored overnight since the Speaker gave his troops marching orders to bring up the bill in the full committee (Employee & Management Relations) on April 6, 1989, and pass it out. It is interesting how traditional advocates of the committee/subcommittee process were noticeably silent as the committee chairman, Representative Jack Ascherl (D-New Smyrna Beach) allowed Representative Clark to present his bill without observing House Rules on bringing up a bill reported unfavorably by a subcommittee. The handwriting was clearly on the wall as the House Majority Whip sat in the back of the committee room and called each member back for "consultations" on how to vote. After all was said and done, and much was said and done, the bill was passed by a 9-5 vote.

On May 25, 1989, the House Appropriations Committee passed CS/HB 629 by a vote of 25 yeas, 10 nays; on May 31, 1989, the bill passed the House Floor by a vote of 69 yeas, 44 nays. In all cases, a "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

- #4 **CS/HB 1514 -- UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION/SHORT TIME COMPENSATION** by Representative Bob Shelley (R-Pompano Beach) was filed on behalf of AIF. The bill extended indefinitely the Short Time Compensation Program established by the Legislature in 1983 under the Florida Unemployment Compensation Law to permit employers to spread the burden of unemployment by paying prorated unemployment compensation benefits to employees laid off for a portion of the week, and thus avoid the total layoff of some of the employees. This program enables employees to "share the work" available from their employer and enables employers to quickly gear up when business conditions improve. It was slated to expire on December 31, 1989. The bill passed on the House Floor on May 26, 1989 by a vote of 107 yeas, 0 nays. A "yea" vote is for the position of AIF.
- #5 **CS/SB 896 -- WORKERS' COMPENSATION REFORM** by the Senate Commerce Committee incorporated nearly all of AIF's Workers' Compensation Committee proposals and attempted to help bring the workers' compensation system back under control. It was expected that the bill would generate the cost savings necessary to de-escalate workers' compensation rate increases. The bill, originally the product of the Governor's Task Force on Workers' Compensation, had been amended repeatedly in an attempt to produce the immediate relief necessary to avert a request by insurance companies in 1989 for a rate increase in excess of 30%. On June 3, 1989, the House passed the bill by a vote of 111-1. A "yea" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.
- #6 **SB 268 -- UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION/JURY DUTY** by Senator Toni Jennings (R-Orlando) provided that a person who is otherwise eligible to receive Unemployment Compensation benefits shall not be denied benefits for any week because he is before any court of the United States or any state pursuant to a lawfully issued summons to appear for jury duty. SB 268 passed the full House on April 27, 1990 by a vote of 107 yeas, 0 nays. A "yea" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.
- #7 **SB 278 -- ATTORNEYS/INFORMATION SHARING** by Senator Richard Langley (R-Clermont) is one of the litigation-producing bills passed by the 1990 Legislature. It allows disclosure of information and materials that are subject to a protective order. A judge will no longer be able to issue a protective order which will protect sensitive information. AIF lobbied strenuously against this bad piece of legislation; however, the House passed the bill on May 28, 1990 by a vote of 79 yeas, 30 nays. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.
- #8 **CS/HB 839 -- ATTORNEYS/INFORMATION SHARING** by Representatives Bruce Hoffmann (R-Miami) and Elaine Gordon (D-North Miami), and the House Judiciary Committee, was the House version of SB 278 (see #7) which restricted courts from entering orders or judgments concealing public hazards. Removing this crucial component will undermine this delicate system of checks and balances (designed to ensure that both plaintiffs and defendants are treated fairly) to the detriment of litigants, courts, and the public. The House Judiciary Committee voted the bill favorably on May 1, 1990 by a vote of 16 yeas, 3 nays. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.
- #9 **HB 2433 -- WORKERS' COMPENSATION PRESUMPTION/FIREFIGHTERS & EMT's** by Representative Bill Clark (D-Plantation) sought to establish presumptions for communicable diseases of firefighters and emergency medical technicians (EMT's). The bill would have authorized the governmental entities employing such firemen and EMT's to negotiate policy contracts for life and disability insurance to include accidental death benefits or double indemnity coverage which would include the presumption that any condition or impairment of health of any firefighter or EMT caused by the specified communicable diseases resulting in total or partial disability or death was accidental and suffered in the line of duty. AIF opposes any attempt to create presumptions for communicable diseases of firefighters and EMT's. On May 2, 1990, the House Employee & Management Relations Committee passed the bill by a vote of 11-1. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

#10 CS/HB 3809 -- WORKERS' COMPENSATION REFORM by the House Committees on Commerce, Appropriations, Representative Art Simon (D-Miami), and others was the massive Workers' Compensation package voted into law by the 1990 Legislature. During House Floor debate on May 17, 1990, an amendment was introduced by Representative Jeff Huenink (R-St. Petersburg) that sought to reduce eligibility for temporary total disability benefits from 350 weeks to 260 weeks. The amendment (#39) failed on a voice vote. Representative Frank Messersmith (R-Hypoluxo) then moved to reconsider the vote by which amendment 39 failed of adoption, which was not agreed to; the vote was 50 yeas, 58 nays. A "yea" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

Shortly thereafter, the House considered amendment #45, which put the creation of the Industrial Relations Commission back in the bill (it was taken out on May 15, 1990 by the House Appropriations Committee). Amendment 45 passed by a vote of 59-50. A "yea" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

On June 1, 1990, the House passed the final version of CS/HB 3809 by a vote of 111-1. A "yea" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

#11 CS/HB 2743 -- FAMILY MEDICAL LEAVE by Representative Elaine Bloom (D-Miami Beach) and the House Employee & Management Relations Committee sought to create the "Family Support Personnel Policies Act" for state employees. The bill directed the Department of Administration to develop a model rule with respect to family support personnel policies, which included parental or family medical leave. Although directed at state employees only, AIF anticipated that the Legislature would return in 1991 and attempt a similar policy for the private sector and so opposed passage of the bill. On June 1, 1990, the bill was debated on the House Floor and subsequently defeated by a vote of 50 yeas, 52 nays. The bill was then reconsidered and the House refused to concur in some Senate amendments and returned the bill to the Senate. It died there in messages. The 50-52 vote is still significant, however, because it reflects as true a House position on the issue as we will probably see. A "nay" vote is a vote for the position of AIF.

**Ranking of the Florida House of Representatives by Percentage of Votes
FOR the Position of Associated Industries of Florida
During the 1989-1990 Regular Sessions
(Highest to Lowest)**

RANK	REPRESENTATIVE	Total # Votes FOR Position of AIF	Total # Votes AGAINST Position of AIF	% of Votes with AIF
1	Bronson	11	0	100
1	Grindle	10	0	100
1	Hanson	11	0	100
1	Huenink	10	0	100
1	Lombard	9	0	100
1	Martin	1	0	100
1	Messersmith	9	0	100
1	Patchett	9	0	100
1	Sefley	9	0	100
1	Sansom	12	0	100
1	Simone	9	0	100
1	Smith, C.	10	0	100
1	Smith, K.	6	0	100
1	Stone	10	0	100
1	Thomas	10	0	100
1	Webster	9	0	100
17	Wise	11	1	92
18	Crotty	10	1	91
18	Graham	10	1	91
18	Harden	10	1	91
21	Bainter	9	1	90
21	Banjanin	9	1	90
21	Boyd	9	1	90
21	Carpenter	9	1	90
21	Hoffmann	9	1	90
21	Irvine	9	1	90
21	Jones, D. L.	9	1	90
21	King	9	1	90
21	McEwan	9	1	90
21	Mortham	9	1	90
21	Renke	9	1	90
21	Tobiassen	9	1	90
33	Dantzler	8	1	89
33	Jennings	8	1	89
35	Hill	7	1	88
35	Johnson, R. C.	7	1	88
35	Jones, C. F.	7	1	88
38	Holland	12	2	86
39	Arnall	11	2	85
39	Frishe	11	2	85
39	Harris	11	2	85
42	Albright	9	2	82
42	Drage	9	2	82
42	Sanderson	9	2	82
45	Hawkins	8	2	80
45	Kelly	8	2	80
45	Lewis	8	2	80
45	Ritchie	8	2	80
49	Troxler	7	2	78
50	Canedy	9	3	75
50	Long	9	3	75
50	Rudd	9	3	75
53	Mackey	7	3	70
53	Nergard	7	3	70
53	Rojas	7	3	70
56	Gutman	6	3	67
56	Mitchell	8	4	67
56	Rehm	8	4	67
56	Shelley	10	5	67
56	Valdes	8	4	67

RANK	REPRESENTATIVE	Total # Votes FOR Position of AIF	Total # Votes AGAINST Position of AIF	% of Votes with AIF
61	Ireland	6	4	60
62	Johnson, B. L.	7	5	58
62	Locke	7	5	58
62	Sindler	7	5	58
65	Flagg	6	5	55
66	Arnold	4	4	50
66	Ascherl	7	7	50
66	Crady	5	5	50
66	Garcia	3	3	50
66	Goode	6	6	50
66	Jamerson	5	5	50
66	Langton	5	5	50
66	Logan	4	4	50
66	Mims	7	7	50
66	Ostreu	5	5	50
78	Roberts	5	6	45
78	Trammell	5	6	45
78	Easterly	4	5	44
78	Frankel	4	5	44
78	Reddick	4	5	44
78	Wetherell	4	5	44
82	Silver	3	4	43
83	Lawson	5	7	42
84	Deutsch	4	6	40
84	Friedman	4	6	40
84	Graber	4	6	40
84	Lippman	4	6	40
84	MacKenzie	4	6	40
84	Rush	4	6	40
84	Tobin	4	6	40
91	Figg	3	5	38
91	Hargrett	3	5	38
91	Peeples	3	5	38
94	Cosgrove	4	7	36
94	Geller	4	7	36
94	Guber	4	7	36
94	Liberti	4	7	36
94	Press	4	7	36
94	Simon	4	7	36
100	Healey	5	9	36
101	Brown	3	6	33
101	DeGrandy	2	4	33
101	Diaz-Balart, M.	4	8	33
101	Glickman	4	8	33
101	Gordon	3	6	33
101	Hafner	4	8	33
101	Morse	5	10	33
101	Reaves	3	6	33
101	Wallace	3	6	33
101	Young	3	6	33
111	Davis	4	9	31
111	Saunders	3	7	30
113	Clark	4	10	29
114	Abrams	3	8	27
114	Bloom	3	8	27
114	Burke	3	8	27
114	Holzendorf	3	8	27
118	Clements	1	3	25
118	Martinez	2	6	25
120	Gustafson	0	2	0

HOUSE AVERAGE = 63%

NOTE: Rankings are based on overall position within each House, with all members with the same percentage of votes with AIF receiving the same ranking.