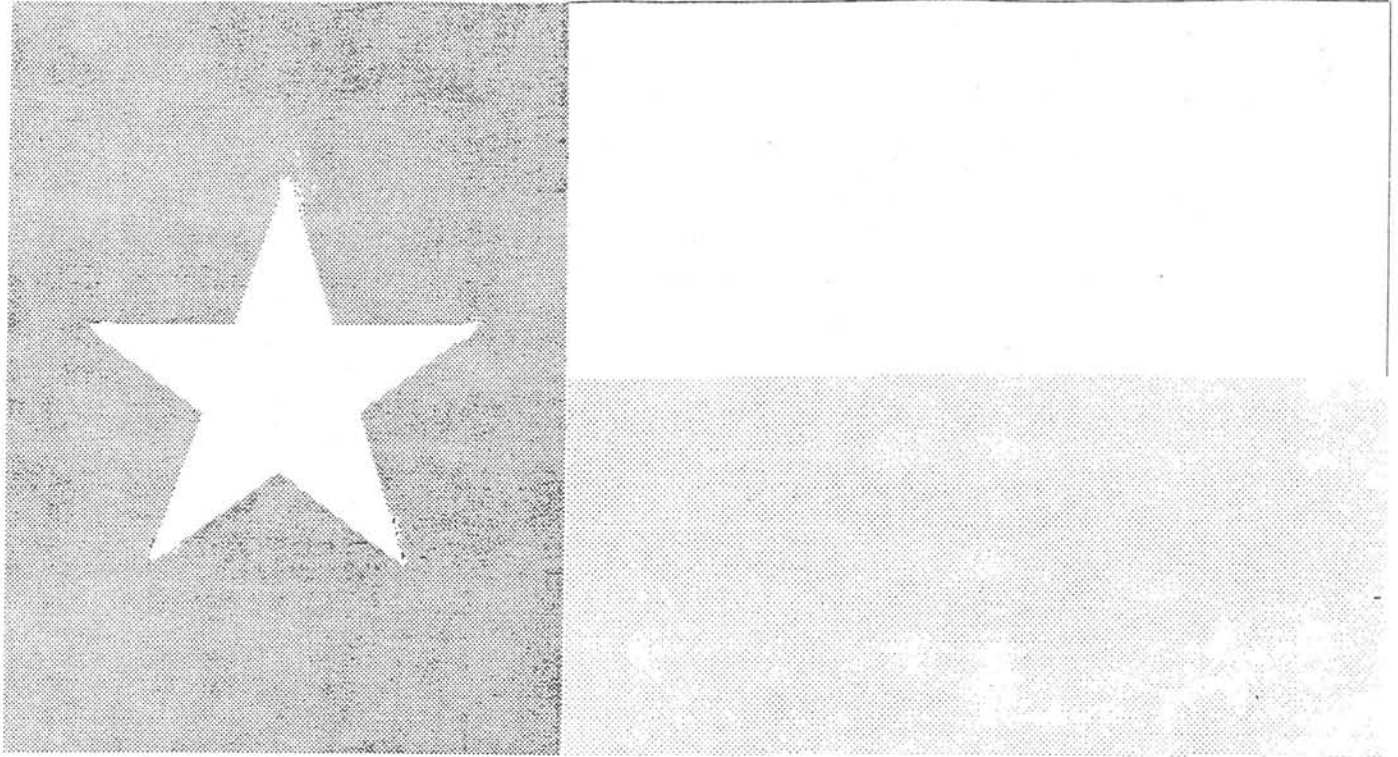


Young Conservatives of Texas



Rates the 68th Texas Legislature Texas Conservative Victory Fund.

Young Conservatives of Texas has prepared this "rating of the 68th Texas Legislature" as a public service to the citizens of Texas so that they may be better informed as to the activities of the Legislature and the voting record of individual lawmakers.

Young Conservatives of Texas has prepared a Legislative Rating Index of the recorded votes of the state legislators for the purpose of presenting the record to the public so that they can be better informed as to the nature of their representation.

The votes used on this rating are from the regular and first called special sessions of the 68th Legislature. The Rating Index is not an endorsement of any party, but is intended solely for the public information that it contains.

EXPLANATION OF VOTES-SENATE

1. HB 14 (Special Session), would create a new layer of bureaucracy called the Human Rights Commission. YCT - No. The new agency would duplicate functions already performed by the federal government.
2. HB 885, motion to table McFarland Amendment, this amendment would have deleted the creation of the new Human Rights Commission from the Texas Employment Commission sunset bill. YCT - No. By allowing the provision for the Human Rights Commission to remain in the bill, the Senate effectively created the need for the special session because the HRC was unacceptable to the House. Thus, House and Senate conferees were unable to reach a compromise prior to the end of the regular session to continue the existence of the TEC and a special session to deal with the "recreation" of the TEC. Also, the HRC is unnecessary.
3. CSHB 1299, requires persons receiving child welfare (AFDC) payments to participate in a "workfare" type job training and work experience program set up by the Department of Human Resources. YCT - Yes. This would give AFDC recipients the necessary work skills and would save taxpayers \$18 million by 1987 by taking these people off welfare and making them self-supporting individuals.
4. HB 894, would allow the Legislature to adjust fees that the state charges for various services in the general appropriations bill. YCT - Yes. Those using state services should be paying the costs of providing those services rather than the taxpayers.
5. SB 950, would mandate the inclusion of fringe benefits, including vacation time, into the calculation of the general prevailing wage level paid to laborers on public works projects. YCT - No. Including these benefits would inflate the wage rates and thus the costs of public works projects well above the fair market wages and costs of the projects (at the expense of taxpayers).
6. SB 244, Adoption of Conference Committee Report, in this form, this bill would have required mandatory placing of all funds held by attorneys for their clients to be placed in interest bearing accounts, with the interest being taken by the state to fund legal services for indigents. YCT - No. It is unfair to require that a client, without his or her consent, pay for legal services especially if they disagree with the often political, liberal causes that these legal service funds promote.
7. SB 413, would have allowed union dues to be "checked-off" by state employees from their paycheck. YCT - No. Allowing union dues to be automatically deducted from employees paychecks places the government in a position of furthering unionization of public employees.
8. SB 567, permits the temporary lowering of the contribution rates to the Teacher

Young Conservatives of Texas has selected the following to serve to gauge a legislator's philosophy in light of YCT's statement form the basis of this Legislative Voting Index.

In the Index, "+" indicates that the legislator voted FOR the bill determined by YCT. "-" indicates that the legislator voted AGAINST. A "P" indicates that the legislator was present, but did not vote, for which there is no penalty, however, non-excused negative votes and are represented on the Index by an "A".

There are two numerical scores shown on the Index. The first is the regular and first called sessions of the 68th Texas Legislature. The composite score that indicates votes cast in previous sessions. The higher the score, the better the legislator promotes the government and individual liberties.

Senate Votes-Bill Descriptions

- Retirement System by both the teachers and the state. YCT - Yes. The system is currently overfunded and the temporary decrease saved the state \$120 million over the next two years.
9. SB 763, authorizes a local school board to contract with a commercial bus company for all or any part of its public school transportation if the board is able to obtain an economically advantageous contract. YCT - Yes. Significant savings for school districts and taxpayers can result if the districts are able to contract out privately.
10. HB 521, would extend the Workers' Compensation Act to farm and ranch laborers whose employers paid wages of more than \$50,000 and employed more than ten employees. YCT - No. Imposes an unnecessary financial burden on farmers and ranchers.
11. SB 397, substantially re-wrote the state's anti-trust laws, including the regulation of monopolies. YCT - No. State regulation in the anti-trust field is unnecessary, as it would

- only duplicate federal legislation. Also, the revision took in too much additional regulation.
12. HB 1438, would have exempted many businesses from the Texas Deceptive Trade Practices Act when they are conducting trade with other businesses. YCT-Yes. The TDTPA was intended to protect consumers from fraud committed by businesses. Allowing businesses to act as consumers only increases regulation to an area that can provide for itself.
13. HB 1555, would have disallowed unemployment claims by students at state universities who left work-study programs when they graduated or withdrew from school. YCT-Yes. These university jobs are only present to help students get through college, and are not full-time jobs to be considered as credit for unemployment insurance. This gives an unfair advantage to those who are fortunate enough to have a work-study job.

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BLAKE*	-	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	-	+	-	+	69	82
BROOKS	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	31	39
BROWN	+	+	+	A	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	98	96
CAPERTON	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	31	28
DOGGETT	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	15	22
EDWARDS	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	31	31
PARABEE	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	62	72
GLASGOW	-	-	-	-	-	E	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	75	79
HARRIS	-	+	+	+	+	+	E	+	+	+	-	E	+	82	87
HENDERSON*	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	A	65	83
HOMARD	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	92	92
JONES	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	92	94
KOTHMANN	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	+	+	+	+	15	35
LEEDON	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	100	96
LYON*	-	+	-	E	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33	39
HAUZY	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	8	10
McFARLAND*	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	A	50	78
MONTFORD	-	-	+	+	+	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	62	62
PARKE*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	38	25
PARNER	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	15
SANTIESTEBAN	-	-	-	A	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	19	34
SARPALIUS	-	A	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	A	+	+	69	80
SHARP*	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	69	80
SIMS	E	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	92	92
TRAEGER	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	77	80
TRUAN*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	7
URIBE*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	15	26
VALE*	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	17
WASHINGTON*	+	-	-	A	-	-	-	-	E	-	-	-	A	25	15
WHITMIRE*	-	-	-	E	-	-	-	+	+	-	-	-	-	25	47
WILLIAMS	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	23	39

* Former member of House of Representatives; composite reflects House votes as well.

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House Votes- Bill Descriptions

1. SB 244, motion to table the Rudd Amend-
ment, which would have eliminated the re-
quirement that interest earned on client's
trust accounts held by attorneys be used to
fund legal services for indigents. YCT - No.
It is unfair to require an attorney (and
especially a client) to fund such a program
where money could be used to finance
causes which they may strongly disagree in-
stead of helping indigents with their legal
problems.

2. HJR 24, this would give the Veteran's
Land Board the authority to issue up to \$500
million in general obligation bonds to pro-
vide assistance for the purchase of farm and
ranch land. YCT - No. Unnecessary govern-
ment intervention in the agriculture
industry.

3. SB 763, authorizes a local schoolboard to
contract with a commercial bus company for
all or any part of its public school transpor-
tation if the board is able to obtain an
economically advantageous contract. YCT -
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and taxpayers can result if the districts are
able to contract with privately owned bus
companies.

4. HB 894, would allow the Legislature to
adjust fees that the state charges for various
services in the general appropriations bill.
YCT - Yes. Those using state services should
be paying the costs of providing them instead
of the taxpayers.

5. HB 2193, motion to table the Vowell
Amendment, which would, in effect, kill a
bill which sets sharp limits on the personal
importation of wine or liquor to Texas from
foreign countries. YCT - No. The Vowell
Amendment prevents the enactment of
another example of unnecessary government
regulation.

6. HB 1538, would allow local school
districts to hire persons without teacher's

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LEWIS, SPEAKER*																							66
AGNICA																							85
ARNBRISTER																							82
ARNDT																							50
BARRISTOS																							59
BARTON, B.																							10
BARTON, E.																							15
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BOMER																							100
BUCANAN																							68
BURNETT																							65
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CAIM																							35
CAARIKER																							32
CART																							25
CAVALOS																							32
CEVERNA																							10
CLARK																							100
CLEMONS																							68
COLBERT																							43
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