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VOTING RECORD 2011-2012 CONNECTICUT

YOUR LEGISLATORS' VOTING RECORD ON SMALL BUSINESS ISSUES

2011-12 SESSIONS: Roll call votes on the floor by state legislators on those issues where NFIB had an official position are listed below. The Voting Record is only one measure of a legislator's performance and cannot reflect all elements or every deliberation considered by a legislator when casting a particular vote. Many issues affecting small business are decided in committees and never make it to the floor of the House or Senate. The Voting Record does not indicate which legislators represented small business interests in committees or behind the scenes, nor does it represent a complete profile of a legislator. The Voting Record can serve as a guide in evaluating a legislator's understanding of the issues important to small business. Please take the time to thank those legislators who supported NFIB efforts to promote and protect the rights of our members to own, operate and grow their businesses, and continue to work with those who have fallen short.

VOTING KEY

Y	=	Voted "Yes" for the NFIB position
N	=	Voted "No" for the NFIB position
*	=	Not Voting
%	=	Percentage of votes favorable to NFIB position
N/A	=	Less than 5 recorded votes
	=	Not in office during 2011 legislative session

1 Mandated Paid Sick Leave (2011, SB-913): Makes Connecticut the first state in the nation to require most small businesses with 50 or more employees to provide certain employees with paid sick leave, accruing at a rate of one hour for every 40 hours worked. It allows complaints for violations to be filed with the labor commissioner. **A "No" vote supports the NFIB position.** Passed the Senate 18–17. Passed the House 76–65.

2 Biennial State Budget & Tax Package (2011, SB-1239): Biennial state budget and revenue bill that imposes the largest tax increase in state history (over $1.4 billion in the first year alone). Specifically, it raises personal income taxes and makes such increases retroactive; also raises the sales tax rate, increases the gas tax, imposes a luxury tax on certain goods and service vehicles priced over $50,000, reduces the property tax credit and increases the estate tax, imposes a tax on electric generation and imposes a corporate tax surcharge, among other tax increases. **A "No" vote supports the NFIB position.** Passed the Senate 19–17. Passed the House 83–67.

3 "Captive Audience" Meetings (2011, HB-5460): Prohibits all private-sector employers from speaking to their employees about the employer's position on certain religious, legislative or political matters, including labor-organizing activities, by prohibiting the employer from requiring their employees attend an employer-sponsored meeting where such topics are primarily discussed. **A "No" vote supports the NFIB position.** Passed the House 78–65.

4 Energy Conservation Funds (2011, SB-1157): Restores through general fund budget surplus dollars ratepayer funds that had been diverted away from the Energy Conservation and Load Management Fund, which helps promote energy efficiency for both commercial and residential customers and creates opportunities for "green jobs" in the small business sector. **A "Yes" vote supports the NFIB position.** Passed the Senate 33–3.

5 Business Entity Tax Reduction & "Jobs" Package (October 2011 Special Session, HB-6801): Cuts the business entity tax in half by making it payable every other year instead of annually. Expands the job creation tax credit and authorizes various other programs and policies for establishing or expanding businesses and creating jobs through tax credits, grants, loans, bond authorizations and other measures, including the "First Five" program aimed at larger businesses that attract or retain jobs in the state. **A "Yes" vote supports the NFIB position.** Passed the Senate 34–1. Passed the House 147–1.

6 Unionization of Certain Personal Care Attendants & Home-based Childcare Providers (2012, HB-5312): Creates a process through which personal care attendants and certain home-based child-care providers can unionize and collectively bargain with the state. Specifically applies to PCAs employed to provide services to a consumer under any state-funded program (i.e., Medicaid waiver) and to

home-based child care providers caring for children eligible for state subsidies. **A "No" vote supports the NFIB position.** Passed the House 84–57. Passed the Senate 22–14.

7 Minimum Wage Increase (2012, HB-5291): Increases costs for employers by raising the state minimum wage to one of the highest in the nation through a two-step increase. **A "No" vote supports the NFIB position.** Passed the House 88–62.

8 Small Business Regulatory Fairness Board (2012, SB-222): Establishes a small business regulatory fairness board that would solicit input from the state's small business community and advise the Commissioner of Economic and Community Development on matters of regulations and enforcement activities that affect small business, as well as recommend regulatory reforms to the legislature. **A "Yes" vote supports the NFIB position.** Passed the Senate 35–1.

HOUSE ISSUE NUMBER NFIB/CT POSITION	1 N	2 N	3 N	5 Y	6 N	7 N	% 100%
Abercrombie, Catherine (D-Dist 83) Meriden	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	33%
Ackert, Tim (R-Dist 8) Coventry	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Adinolfi, Al (R- Dist 103) Cheshire	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Alberts, Mike (R-Dist 50) Woodstock	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Albis, James (D-Dist 99) East Haven	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Aldarondo, David (D-Dist 75) Waterbury	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Altobello, Emil "Buddy" (D-Dist 82) Meriden	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	50%
Aman, William (R-Dist 14) South Windsor	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Aresimowicz, Joe (D-Dist 30) Berlin	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Ayala, Andres (D-Dist 128) Bridgeport	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Bacchiochi, Penny (R-Dist 52) Somers	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Backer, Terry (D-Dist 121) Stratford	*	*	*	Y	*	Y	N/A
Baram, David (D-Dist 15) Bloomfield	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Becker, Brian (D-Dist 19) West Hartford	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	33%
Berger, Jeffrey (D-Dist 73) Waterbury	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Betts, Whit (R-Dist 78) Bristol	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Boukus, Elizabeth (D-Dist 22) Plainville	Y	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	33%
Butler, Larry (D-Dist 72) Waterbury	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	Y	0%
Cafero, Lawrence (R-Dist 142) Norwalk	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Camillo, Fred (R-Dist 151) Greenwich	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Candelaria, Juan (D-Dist 95) New Haven	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Candelora, Vincent (R-Dist 86) North Branford	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Carpino, Christie (R-Dist 32) Cromwell	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Carter, Dan (R-Dist 2) Bethel	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Chapin, Clark (R-Dist 67) New Milford	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Clemons, Charles "Don" (D-Dist 124) Bridgeport	*	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	20%
Cook, Michelle (D-Dist 65) Torrington	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	33%

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Coutu, Christopher (R- Dist 47) Norwich	N	N	N	N	*	N	80%
Crawford, James (D-Dist 35) Westbrook	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
D'Amelio, Anthony (R-Dist 71) Waterbury	*	N	N	Y	*	N	N/A
Dargan, Stephen (D-Dist 115) West Haven	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Davis, Paul (D-Dist 117) Orange	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Davis, Christopher (R-Dist 57) Ellington	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Dillon, Patricia (D-Dist 92) New Haven	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Donovan, Christopher (D-Dist 84) Meriden	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Esposito, Louis (D-Dist 116) West Haven	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Fawcett, Kim (D-Dist 133) Fairfield	*	N	Y	Y	N	Y	60%
Fleischmann, Andrew (D-Dist 18) West Hartford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Flexer, Mae (D-Dist 44) Killingly	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Floren, Livvy (R-Dist 149) Greenwich	*	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Fox, Gerald (D-Dist 146) Stamford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Fox, Daniel (D-Dist 148) Stamford	N	Y	N	Y	N	Y	67%
Frey, John (R-Dist 111) Ridgefield	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Fritz, Mary (D-Dist 90) Wallingford	*	N	Y	Y	*	Y	N/A
Genga, Henry (D-Dist 10) East Hartford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Gentile, Linda (D-Dist 104) Ansonia	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	20%
Gibbons, Lile (R-Dist 150) Greenwich	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Giegler, Janice (R-Dist 138) Danbury	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Giuliano, Marilyn (R-Dist 23) Old Saybrook	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Godfrey, Bob (D-Dist 110) Danbury	Y	Y	*	Y	Y	Y	20%
Gonzalez, Minnie (D-Dist 3) Hartford	Y	Y	*	Y	N	Y	40%
Greene, Leonard (R-Dist 105) Seymour	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Grogins, Auden (D-Dist 129) Bridgeport	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Guerrera, Antonio (D-Dist 29) Rocky Hill	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	33%

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Haddad, Gregory (D-Dist 54) Mansfield	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Hamm, Gail (D-Dist 34) East Hampton	*	Y	*	Y	Y	Y	N/A
Hennessy, John "Jack" (D-Dist 127) Bridgeport	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Hetherington, John (R-Dist 125) New Canaan	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Hewett, Ernest (D-Dist 39) New London	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Holder-Winfield, Gary (D-Dist 94) New Haven	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Hovey, DebraLee (R-Dist 112) Monroe	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Hoydick, Laura (R-Dist 120) Stratford	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Hurlburt, Bryan (D-Dist 53) Tolland	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	33%
Hwang, Tony (R-Dist 134) Fairfield	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Janowski, Claire (D-Dist 56) Vernon	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	33%
Johnson, Susan (D-Dist 49) Windham	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Jutila, Ed (D-Dist 37) East Lyme	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	67%
Kiner, David (D-Dist 59) Enfield	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Kirkley-Bey, Marie (D-Dist 5) Hartford	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	20%
Klarides, Themis (R-Dist 114) Derby	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Kokoruda, Noreen (R-Dist 101) Madison	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Kupchick, Brenda (R-Dist 132) Fairfield	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Labriola, David (R-Dist 131) Oxford	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Larson, Timothy (D-Dist 11) East Hartford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	33%
Lavielle, Gail (R- Dist 143) Wilton	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
LeGeyt, Timothy (R-Dist 17) Canton	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Lemar, Roland (D-Dist 96) New Haven	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Lesser, Matthew (D-Dist 100) Middletown	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Lopes, Rick (D-Dist 24) New Britain					Y	Y	N/A
Luxenberg, Geoff (D-Dist 12) Manchester	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Lyddy, Christopher (D-Dist 106) Newtown	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	33%
McCrory, Douglas (D-Dist 7) Hartford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Megna, Robert (D-Dist 97) New Haven	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Mikutel, Steven (D-Dist 45) Griswold	Y	N	N	Y	*	Y	60%
Miller, Philip (D-Dist 36) Essex	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Miller, Patricia Billie (D-Dist 145) Stamford	Y	Y	*	Y	Y	Y	20%
Miller, Lawrence (R-Dist 122) Stratford	*	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Miner, Craig (R-Dist 66) Litchfield	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Molgano, Michael (R-Dist 144) Stamford	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%

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Morin, Russell (D-Dist 28) Wethersfield	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Morris, Bruce (D-Dist 140) Norwalk	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Moukawsher, Edward (D- Dist 40) Groton	N	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	50%
Mushinsky, Mary (D- Dist 85) Wallingford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Nafis, Sandy (D-Dist 27) Newington	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Nardello, Vickie (D-Dist 89) Prospect	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Nicastro, Frank (D-Dist 79) Bristol	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Noujaim, Selim (R- Dist 74) Waterbury	N	N	N	Y	*	N	100%
O'Brien, Elaine (D-Dist 61) Suffield	N	Y	N	Y	N	N	83%
O'Neill, Arthur (R-Dist 69) Southbury	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Orange, Linda (D-Dist 48) Colchester	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Perillo, Jason (R-Dist 113) Shelton	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Perone, Chris (D-Dist 137) Norwalk	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Piscopo, John (R- Dist 76) Thomaston	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Rebimbas, Rosa (R-Dist 70) Naugatuck	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Reed, Lonnie (D-Dist 102) Branford	N	Y	*	Y	Y	N	60%
Reynolds, Tom (D-Dist 42) Ledyard	Y	Y	*	Y	Y	Y	20%
Rigby, John (R-Dist 63) Colebrook	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Riley, Melissa (D-Dist 46) Norwich	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Ritter, Elizabeth (D-Dist 38) Waterford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Ritter, Matthew (D-Dist 1) Hartford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Robles, Hector (D-Dist 6) Hartford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Rojas, Jason (D-Dist 9) East Hartford	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	33%
Roldan, Kelvin (D-Dist 4) Hartford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Rose, Kim (D-Dist 118) Milford	Y	N	N	*	Y	Y	40%
Rovero, Daniel (D-Dist 51) Killingly	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	83%
Rowe, T.R. (R-Dist 123) Trumbull	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Roy, Richard (D-Dist 119) Milford	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	67%
Ryan, Kevin (D- Dist 139) Montville	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Sampson, Robert (R-Dist 80) Wolcott	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Sanchez, Robert (D-Dist 25) New Britain	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Santiago, Ezequiel (D-Dist 130) Bridgeport	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Sawyer, Pamela (R-Dist 55) Bolton	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Sayers, Peggy (D-Dist 60) Windsor Locks	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Schofield, Linda (D-Dist 16) Simsbury	N	N	N	Y	*	N	100%

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Scribner, David (R-Dist 107) Brookfield	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Serra, Joseph (D-Dist 33) Middletown	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Shaban, John (R-Dist 135) Redding	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Sharkey, Brendan (D-Dist 88) Hamden	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	*	20%
Simanski, Bill (R-Dist 62) Granby	N	N	N	*	N	N	100%
Smith, Richard (R-Dist 108) New Fairfield	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Srinivasan, Prasad (R-Dist 31) Glastonbury	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Stallworth, Charlie (D-Dist 126) Bridgeport	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Steinberg, Jonathan (D-Dist 136) Westport	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	N	50%
Taborsak, Joseph (D-Dist 109) Danbury	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	Y	33%
Tallarita, Kathleen (D-Dist 58) Enfield	*	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	40%
Tercyak, Peter (D-Dist 26) New Britain	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Thompson, John (D-Dist 13) Manchester	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%

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Tong, William (D-Dist 147) Stamford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	N	33%
Urban, Diana (D-Dist 43) North Stonington	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Verrengia, Joe (D-Dist 20) West Hartford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Villano, Peter (D-Dist 91) Hamden	*	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	N/A
Wadsworth, William (R-Dist 21) Farnington	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Walker, Toni (D-Dist 93) New Haven	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Widlitz, Patricia (D-Dist 98) Guilford	N	Y	N	Y	Y	N	67%
Williams, Sean (R-Dist 68) Watertown	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Willis, Roberta (D-Dist 64) Salisbury	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%
Wood, Terrie (R-Dist 141) Darien	N	N	*	Y	N	N	100%
Wright, Christopher (D-Dist 77) Bristol	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	50%
Wright, Elissa (D- Dist 41) Groton	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	33%
Yaccarino, Dave (R- Dist 87) North Haven	N	N	N	Y	N	N	100%
Zalaski, Bruce (D-Dist 81) Southington	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	17%

SENATE ISSUE NUMBER NFIB/CT POSITION	1 N	2 N	4 Y	5 Y	6 N	8 Y	% 100%
Boucher, Antonietta "Toni" (R-Dist 26) Wilton	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	100%
Bye, Beth (D- Dist 5) West Hartford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Cassano, Steve (D- Dist 4) Manchester	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Coleman, Eric (D-Dist 2) Bloomfield	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Crisco, Joseph (D-Dist 17) Woodbridge	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Daily, Eileen (D-Dist 33) Westbrook	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Doyle, Paul (D-Dist 9) Wethersfield	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	67%
Duff, Bob (D- Dist 25) Norwalk	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	67%
Fasano, Leonard (R-Dist 34) North Haven	*	N	Y	Y	N	Y	100%
Fonfara, John (D-Dist 1) Hartford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Frantz, Scott (R-Dist 36) Greenwich	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	100%
Gerratana, Terry (D-Dist 6) New Britain	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Gomes, Edwin (D-Dist 23) Bridgeport	Y	Y	Y	*	Y	Y	40%
Guglielmo, Anthony (R-Dist 35) Stafford	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	100%
Harp, Toni (D-Dist 10) New Haven	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Hartley, Joan (D-Dist 15) Waterbury	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	83%
Kane, Robert (R-Dist 32) Watertown	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	100%
Kelly, Kevin (R-Dist 21) Stratford	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	100%

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Kissel, John (R- Dist 7) Enfield	Y	N	Y	Y	N	Y	83%
LeBeau, Gary (D- Dist 3) East Hartford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Leone, Carlo (D-Dist 27) Stamford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Looney, Martin (D-Dist 11) New Haven	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Markley, Joe (R-Dist 16) Southington	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	83%
Maynard, Andrew (D- Dist 18) Stonington	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	67%
McKinney, John (R-Dist 28) Fairfield	N	N	Y	Y	N	N	83%
McLachlan, Michael (R- Dist 24) Danbury	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	83%
Meyer, Edward (D-Dist 12) Guilford	Y	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	67%
Musto, Anthony (D-Dist 22) Trumbull	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Prague, Edith (D-Dist 19) Columbia	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Roraback, Andrew (R-Dist 30) Goshen	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	100%
Slossberg, Gayle (D-Dist 14) Milford	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	83%
Stillman, Andrea (D-Dist 20) Waterford	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Suzio, Len (R-Dist 13) Meriden	N	N	N	Y	N	Y	83%
Welch, Jason (R-Dist 31) Bristol	N	N	Y	Y	N	Y	100%
Williams, Donald (D-Dist 29) Brooklyn	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	50%
Witkos, Kevin (R-Dist 8) Canton	N	N	Y	N	N	Y	83%