



How Congress **Voted**

115TH CONGRESS PRE-ELECTION REPORT
January 6, 2017 to July 27, 2018

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Congress at [NFIB.com](https://www.nfib.com) to see how
lawmakers treat small business.

Have They Earned Your Vote?

In keeping with our promise to help our members make informed decisions at the polls, NFIB presents this special pre-election voting report of How Congress Voted. This election-year report cuts through the rhetoric of campaigns and looks at the hard facts: how your U.S. Senators and Representatives voted on small business issues during the current (115th) Congress. (Note: This report represents NFIB Key Votes taken prior to July 27, 2018. NFIB will issue a final report at the end of the 115th Congress.)

Lawmakers who vote with small businesses on key issues 70 percent or more of the time during the 115th Congress earn NFIB's Guardian of Small Business Award. Just as important, this report also highlights lawmakers who not only earn a Guardian Award, but who actually voted against small business issues a majority of the time.

This special NFIB member report should come as no surprise to lawmakers. NFIB asks lawmakers to support the consensus views of our members. We also remind them that their votes are being monitored and will be reported back to NFIB members.

Now it's up to you - the small business owner.

Many of the lawmakers listed here are asking to be sent back to Washington for the next Congress. Before you go to the polls, decide if they have earned the chance.

How to Read This Report >>

Names of lawmakers who earned a Guardian Award in the 115th Congress appear in **green**.

Names of lawmakers who did not earn a Guardian Award in the 115th Congress appear in **black**.

Voting percentages of lawmakers who also served in the prior (114th) Congress are in the white column.

Your Representatives on Small Business

VOTE KEY - Voting percentages of Representatives who also served in the 114th Congress are in the white column.

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- The **gray column** indicates voting percentages for members of the 115th Congress.
- Member did not serve in the 114th Congress.
- Member served partial term in the 115th Congress or was not present for 70 percent of key votes. To be eligible for a Guardian Award, a lawmaker must vote on at least 70 percent of the key votes.
- Member served a partial term in the 114th Congress.

State	Rank	115th %	114th %	State	Rank	115th %	114th %
Alaska				California			
1. Young, Don	100	100		1. Lafferty	100	100	
Arizona				2. Huffman	0	7	
1. O'Rourke	20	N/A		3. Garamendi	0	31	
2. McClintock	100	100		4. Adreani	100	100	
3. Grijalva	0	7		5. Brooks, MI	100	100	
4. Gosar	0	100		6. Farmer	100	100	
5. Rigi	40	N/A		7. Sewell	17	24	
6. Schiff	100	100					
7. Gallego, Ruben	0	0					
8. Huelskamp	100	100					
9. Serrano	11	60					
Arkansas							
1. Crawford	100	100					
2. Hill	100	100					
3. Westerman	100	100					
4. Amodeo	100	100					
California							
20. Cantrell	100	100					
21. Amodeo	100	100					
22. Huelskamp	100	100					
23. McClintock	100	100					
24. Carballo	100	100					
25. Knight	100	100					
26. Brownley	100	100					
27. Chabot	100	100					
28. Schiff	100	100					
29. Amodeo	100	100					
30. Peters, S.	100	100					
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96. Murphy	100	100					
97. Murphy	100	100					
98. Murphy	100	100					
99. Murphy	100	100					
100. Murphy	100	100					

The following are descriptions of the ten bills designated as NFIB Key Votes used to compile your Representative's NFIB Pre-Election Voting Record for the 115th Congress.

1. The Regulatory Accountability Act (H.R. 5)

NFIB supported H.R. 5, sponsored by Rep. Bob Goodlatte (VA-6). The bill establishes strong protections to help ensure that federal agencies fully consider the impact of proposed regulations on small businesses. The bill passed 238-183.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

According to NFIB's 2016 Small Business Problems and Priorities survey, "Unreasonable Government Regulations" ranked as the second most important problem facing their small businesses.

2. The Lawsuit Abuse Reduction Act (H.R. 720)

NFIB supported H.R. 720, sponsored by Rep. Lamar Smith (TX-21). The bill helps to reduce the filing of frivolous lawsuits and motions. H.R. 720 amends Rule 11 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure to require federal courts to impose mandatory sanctions on parties that file frivolous civil lawsuits. The bill passed 230-188.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

In a Member Ballot (Vol. 560), 96 percent of NFIB members agreed that attorneys who file frivolous lawsuits should be required to pay a monetary penalty.

3. American Health Care Act (H.R. 1628)

NFIB supported H.R. 1628, sponsored by Rep. Diane Black (TN-6). The bill provides important relief to small businesses by repealing and replacing the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare). This legislation allows states to offer more affordable health insurance products to small business owners by reducing costly federal health insurance regulations. The bill passed 217-213.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

According to NFIB's 2016 Small Business Problems and Priorities survey, the cost of health insurance is the number one problem for small business owners.

4. Save Local Business Act (H.R. 3441)

NFIB supported H.R. 3441, sponsored by Rep. Bradley Byrne (AL-1). The bill clarifies that a small business owner is not liable as a "joint employer" unless he or she exercises direct control over employees. The bill passed 242-181.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

In a Member Ballot (Vol. 567), 89 percent of NFIB members agreed that a contractor should not be

responsible for a subcontractor's hiring practices.

5. Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (H.R. 1)

NFIB supported H.R. 1, sponsored by Rep. Kevin Brady (TX-8). The bill provides much needed tax relief to America's job-creating small businesses by reducing corporate and individual tax rates and reforming other provisions in the tax code. The bill passed 227-205.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

According to NFIB's 2016 Small Business Problems and Priorities survey, "Federal Taxes on Business Income" ranked as the third most important problem for small business owners.

6. Tax Cuts and Jobs Act Conference Report (H.R. 1)

NFIB supported the conference report on H.R. 1, sponsored by Rep. Kevin Brady (TX-8). The conference agreement provides much needed tax relief to America's job-creating small businesses. It reforms the federal income tax system by creating a deduction of up to 20 percent for pass-through businesses, lowering the corporate and individual tax rates, and revising other provisions in the tax code.

Each description includes NFIB’s position on the issue, as well as the NFIB Member Ballot or other research that determined that position.

The report was adopted 227-203, and H.R. 1 became Public Law No. 115-97.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

According to NFIB’s 2016 Small Business Problems and Priorities survey, five of the top ten critical problems for small business owners were tax related.

7. ADA Education and Reform Act of 2018 (H.R. 620)

NFIB supported H.R. 620, sponsored by Rep. Ted Poe (TX-2). The bill provides small business owners time to remedy alleged Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) violations before being forced into a settlement or a legal challenge. The bill passed 225-192.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

In a Member Ballot (Vol. 571), 93 percent of NFIB members supported a notice and cure period to fix minor violations of the Americans with Disabilities Act.

8. Balanced Budget Amendment (H.J. Res. 2)

NFIB supported H. J. Res. 2, sponsored by Rep. Bob Goodlatte (VA-6). The bill proposed a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution of the United States. Small business owners

must live within their budgets, and they strongly believe Congress should do the same. The amendment failed 233-184. Two-thirds majority vote was required to pass the amendment.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

In a Member Ballot (Vol. 560), 90 percent of NFIB members supported a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution.

9. Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act (S. 2155)

NFIB supported S. 2155, sponsored by Sen. Mike Crapo (ID). The bill provides regulatory relief to community banks and credit unions while helping to ensure readily available access to capital for small businesses. The bill passed 258-159, and S. 2155 became Public Law No: 115-174.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

In a Member Ballot (Vol. 570), 82 percent of NFIB members agreed that Congress should revise the Dodd-Frank Act to allow community banks greater flexibility when determining whether to make a loan.

10. Increasing Access to Lower Premium Plans and Expanding Health Savings Accounts Act of 2018 (H.R. 6311)

NFIB supported H.R. 6311, sponsored by Rep. Peter Roskam (IL-6). The bill suspends the small business health insurance tax (HIT) for an additional two years until 2022, resulting in more affordable premiums for small business owners and employees. H.R. 6311 also expands access to more affordable “copper” health insurance plans and improves the utility of consumer-driven health insurance products such as health savings accounts (HSAs) and flexible spending arrangements (FSAs). The bill passed 242-176.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

In a Member Ballot (Vol. 571), 84 percent of NFIB members agreed that individuals should be allowed to use tax-preferred dollars (from Health Savings Accounts, Flexible Spending Accounts, and Health Reimbursement Arrangements) to pay for health insurance premiums.

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		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%		
Alabama					California					California (Continued)		
1	Byrne	100	100	1	LaMalfa	100	100	29	Cárdenas	0	7	
2	Roby	100	100	2	Huffman	0	7	30	Sherman	0	13	
3	Rogers, Mike D.	100	100	3	Garamendi	0	31	31	Aguilar	10	27	
4	Aderholt	100	100	4	McClintock	90	100	32	Napolitano	0	7	
5	Brooks, M.	100	100	5	Thompson, M.	0	7	33	Lieu	0	8	
6	Palmer	100	100	6	Matsui	0	7	34	Becerra	0*	7	
7	Sewell	10	23	7	Bera	40	33	34	Gomez	0*	N/A	
				8	Cook	100	100	35	Torres	10	13	
				9	McNerney	0	13	36	Ruiz	0	17	
				10	Denham	100	100	37	Bass	0	7	
Alaska					11	DeSaulniers	0	7	38	Sánchez	0	7
AL	Young, Don	90	100	12	Pelosi	0	7	39	Royce	100	100	
				13	Lee, B.	0	8	40	Roybal-Allard	0	7	
Arizona					14	Speier	13	7	41	Takano	0	7
1	O'Halleran	20	N/A	15	Swalwell	0	21	42	Calvert	100	100	
2	McSally	100	100	16	Costa	56	71	43	Waters	0	8	
3	Grijalva	0	7	17	Khanna	0	N/A	44	Barragán	0	N/A	
4	Gosar	90	100	18	Eshoo	0	8	45	Walters	100	100	
5	Biggs	80	N/A	19	Lofgren	0	8	46	Correa	30	N/A	
6	Schweikert	100	100	20	Panetta	0	N/A	47	Lowenthal	0	7	
7	Gallego, Ruben	0	7	21	Valadao	100	100	48	Rohrabacher	80	100	
8	Franks	100*	100	22	Nunes	100	100	49	Issa	80	100	
8	Lesko	100*	N/A	23	McCarthy	100	100	50	Hunter	100	100	
9	Sinema	33	60	24	Carbajal	0	N/A	51	Vargas	0	7	
Arkansas					25	Knight	100	100	52	Peters, S.	30	33
1	Crawford	100	100	26	Brownley	0	20	53	Davis, S.	0	7	
2	Hill	100	100	27	Chu	0	8					
3	Womack	100	100	28	Schiff	0	7					
4	Westerman	100	100									
Colorado					Connecticut					Delaware		
1	DeGette	0	7	1	Larson, J.	0	13	AL	Blunt Rochester	10	13	
2	Polis	0	7	2	Courtney	0	13					
3	Tipton	100	100	3	DeLauro	0	14					
4	Buck	100	100	4	Himes	10	7					
5	Lamborn	100	100	5	Esty	0	20					
6	Coffman	90	100									
7	Perlmutter	0	14	Florida								
				1	Gaetz	100	N/A					
				2	Dunn	100	N/A					
				3	Yoho	100	100					
				4	Rutherford	100	N/A					
				5	Lawson	10	N/A					
				6	DeSantis	100	100					
				7	Murphy	40	N/A					
				8	Posey	100	100					

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Florida (Continued)											
9	Soto	0	N/A	10	Demings	0	N/A	11	Webster	100	100
12	Bilirakis	100	100	13	Crist	0	N/A	14	Castor	0	7
15	Ross	100	100	16	Buchanan	100	100	17	Rooney, T.	100	100
18	Mast	100	N/A	19	Rooney, F.	100	N/A	20	Hastings	10	7
21	Frankel	0	7	22	Deutch	0	7	23	Wasserman Schultz	0	7
24	Wilson, F.	0	7	25	Diaz-Balart	90	100	26	Curbelo	80	93
27	Ros-Lehtinen	90	100								
Georgia											
1	Carter, E.L.	100	100	2	Bishop, S.	13	64	3	Ferguson	100	N/A
4	Johnson, H.	0	13	5	Lewis, John	0	7	6	Price, T.	0*	100
7	Woodall	100	100	8	Scott, A.	100	100	9	Collins, D.	100	100
10	Hice	100	100	11	Loudermilk	100	100	12	Allen	100	100
13	Scott, D.	11	33	14	Graves, T.	100	100				
Hawaii											
1	Hanabusa	0	N/A	2	Gabbard	0	20				
Idaho											
1	Labrador	100	100	2	Simpson	100	100				
Illinois											
1	Rush	0	8	2	Kelly, R.	0	20	3	Lipinski	0	27
4	Gutiérrez	0	8	5	Quigley	0	13	6	Roskam	90	100
7	Davis, D.	10	13	8	Krishnamoorthi	0	N/A	9	Schakowsky	0	7
10	Schneider	10	N/A	11	Foster	20	7	12	Bost	100	100
13	Davis, R.	100	100	14	Hultgren	100	100	15	Shimkus	100	100
16	Kinzinger	100	100	17	Bustos	10	33	18	LaHood	100	100
Indiana											
1	Visclosky	0	7	2	Walorski	100	100	3	Banks	100	N/A
4	Rokita	100	100	5	Brooks, S.	100	100	6	Messer	100	100
7	Carson	10	7	8	Bucshon	100	100	9	Hollingsworth	100	N/A
Iowa											
1	Blum	100	100	2	Loeb sack	0	27	3	Young, David	90	100
4	King, S.	100	100								
Kansas											
1	Marshall	100	7	2	Jenkins, L.	100	100	3	Yoder	90	N/A
4	Pompeo	0*	100	4	Estes	100*	100				
Kentucky											
1	Comer	100	N/A	2	Guthrie	100	100	3	Yarmuth	0	7
4	Massie	80	100	5	Rogers, H.	100	100	6	Barr	100	100
Louisiana											
1	Scalise	100	100	2	Richmond	0	21	3	Higgins, C.	100	N/A
4	Johnson, M.	100	N/A	5	Abraham	100	100	6	Graves, G.	100	100
Maine											
1	Pingree	0	13	2	Poliquin	100	93				
Maryland											
1	Harris, A.	100	100	2	Ruppersberger	0	29	3	Sarbanes	0	7
4	Brown, A.	0	N/A	5	Hoyer	0	7	6	Delaney	10	40
7	Cummings	0	7	8	Raskin	0	N/A				
Massachusetts											
1	Neal	0	14	2	McGovern	0	14				
Massachusetts (Continued)											
3	Tsongas	0	7	4	Kennedy, Joseph	0	8	5	Clark, K.	0	13
6	Moulton	0	13	7	Capuano	0	13	8	Lynch	0	14
9	Keating	0	13								
Michigan											
1	Bergman	100	N/A	2	Huizenga	100	100	3	Amash	90	93
4	Moolenaar	100	100	5	Kildee	0	7	6	Upton	100	100
7	Walberg	100	100	8	Bishop, M.	100	100	9	Levin	0	7
10	Mitchell	100	N/A	11	Trott	100	100	12	Dingell	0	8
13	Conyers	0	7	14	Lawrence	0	13				
Minnesota											
1	Walz	0	47	2	Lewis, Jason	100	N/A	3	Paulsen	100	100
4	McCollum	0	7	5	Ellison	0	7	6	Emmer	100	100
7	Peterson	70	87	8	Nolan	10	27				
Mississippi											
1	Kelly	100	100	2	Thompson, B.	0	7	3	Harper	90	100
4	Palazzo	100	100								

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Missouri

1	Clay	0	7
2	Wagner	100	100
3	Luetkemeyer	100	100
4	Hartzler	100	100
5	Cleaver	0	15
6	Graves, S.	100	100
7	Long	100	100
8	Smith, J.	100	100

Montana

AL	Zinke	0*	100
AL	Gianforte	100*	N/A

Nebraska

1	Fortenberry	90	100
2	Bacon	100	N/A
3	Smith, Adrian	100	100

Nevada

1	Titus	0	20
2	Amodei	100	100
3	Rosen	10	N/A
4	Kihuen	0	N/A

New Hampshire

1	Shea-Porter	0	N/A
2	Kuster	20	20

New Jersey

1	Norcross	0	20
2	LoBiondo	67	93
3	MacArthur	100	100
4	Smith, C.	60	87
5	Gottheimer	30	N/A
6	Pallone	0	7
7	Lance	60	100
8	Sires	0	20

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New Jersey (Continued)

9	Pascrell	0	13
10	Payne	0	8
11	Frelinghuysen	67	100
12	Watson Coleman	0	7

New Mexico

1	Lujan Grisham, M.	0	13
2	Pearce	100	100
3	Luján, B.	0	7

New York

1	Zeldin	80	100
2	King, P.	80	93
3	Suozi	10	N/A
4	Rice, K.	20	20
5	Meeks	0	13
6	Meng	0	21
7	Velázquez	0	7
8	Jeffries	0	7
9	Clarke, Y.	0	7
10	Nadler	0	7
11	Donovan	70	100
12	Maloney, C.	0	13
13	Españillat	0	N/A
14	Crowley	0	13
15	Serrano	0	7
16	Engel	0	14
17	Lowey	0	13
18	Maloney, S.	11	33
19	Faso	80	N/A
20	Tonko	0	7
21	Stefanik	80	100
22	Tenney	100	N/A
23	Reed, T.	100	100
24	Katko	80	93
25	Slaughter	0	7
26	Higgins, B.	0	13
27	Collins, C.	100	93

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North Carolina

1	Butterfield	0	7
2	Holding	100	100
3	Jones	44	73
4	Price, D.	0	14
5	Foxx	100	100
6	Walker	100	100
7	Rouzer	100	100
8	Hudson	100	100
9	Pittenger	100	100
10	McHenry	100	100
11	Meadows	100	100
12	Adams	0	7
13	Budd	100	N/A

North Dakota

AL	Cramer	100	100
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Ohio

1	Chabot	100	100
2	Wenstrup	100	100
3	Beatty	0	20
4	Jordan	100	100
5	Latta	100	100
6	Johnson, B.	100	100
7	Gibbs, B.	100	100
8	Davidson	100	100
9	Kaptur	0	13
10	Turner	90	100
11	Fudge	0	7
12	Tiberi	100*	100
13	Ryan, T.	0	14
14	Joyce	90	100
15	Stivers	100	100
16	Renacci	100	100

Oklahoma

1	Bridenstine	100*	100
2	Mullin	100	100
3	Lucas	100	100

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Oklahoma (Continued)

4	Cole	100	100
5	Russell	90	93

Oregon

1	Bonamici	0	13
2	Walden	100	100
3	Blumenauer	0	13
4	DeFazio	0	13
5	Schrader	40	47

Pennsylvania

1	Brady, R.	0	13
2	Evans	0	N/A
3	Kelly	100	100
4	Perry	100	100
5	Thompson, G.	90	100
6	Costello	80	100
7	Meehan	88*	100
8	Fitzpatrick	80	100
9	Shuster	100	100
10	Marino	100	100
11	Barletta	89	100
12	Rothfus	100	100
13	Boyle	0	13
14	Doyle	0	13
15	Dent	88*	100
16	Smucker	100	N/A
17	Cartwright	0	7
18	Murphy, T.	100*	100
18	Lamb	50*	N/A

Rhode Island

1	Cicilline	0	13
2	Langevin	0	13

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South Carolina

1	Sanford	100	100
2	Wilson, J.	100	100
3	Duncan, Jeff	100	100
4	Gowdy	100	100
5	Mulvaney	0*	100
5	Norman	100*	N/A
6	Clyburn	0	20
7	Rice, T.	100	100

South Dakota

AL	Noem	100	100
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Tennessee

1	Roe	100	100
2	Duncan, John	100	100
3	Fleischmann	100	100
4	Desjarlais	100	100
5	Cooper	20	33
6	Black, D.	100	100
7	Blackburn, M.	100	100
8	Kustoff	90	N/A
9	Cohen	0	13

Texas

1	Gohmert	90	100
2	Poe	90	93
3	Johnson, S.	100	100
4	Ratcliffe	100	100
5	Hensarling	100	100
6	Barton	100	100
7	Culberson	100	100
8	Brady, K.	100	100
9	Green, A.	0	20
10	McCaul	100	100
11	Conaway	100	100
12	Granger	100	100
13	Thornberry	100	100
14	Weber	100	100
15	Gonzalez	20	N/A
16	O'Rourke	0	8
17	Flores	100	100

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Texas (Continued)

18	Jackson Lee	0	13
19	Arrington	100	N/A
20	Castro	0	7
21	Smith, Lamar	100	100
22	Olson	100	100
23	Hurd	90	100
24	Marchant	100	100
25	Williams	100	100
26	Burgess	100	100
27	Farenthold	100*	100
27	Cloud	100*	N/A
28	Cuellar	70	86
29	Green, G.	0	27
30	Johnson, E.	0	13
31	Carter, J.	100	100
32	Sessions	100	100
33	Veasey	10	33
34	Vela	10	40
35	Doggett	0	7
36	Babin	100	100

Utah

1	Bishop, R.	100	100
2	Stewart	100	100
3	Chaffetz	100*	100
3	Curtis	100*	N/A
4	Love	100	100

Vermont

AL	Welch	0	7
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Virginia

1	Wittman	100	100
2	Taylor	100	N/A
3	Scott, R.	0	7
4	McEachin	0	N/A
5	Garrett	100	N/A
6	Goodlatte	100	100
7	Brat	100	100
8	Beyer	0	7
9	Griffith	90	93

	115th	114th
	%	%

Virginia (Continued)

10	Comstock	80	100
11	Connolly	0	13

Washington			
		115th	114th
		%	%
1	DelBene	0	20
2	Larsen, R.	10	7
3	Herrera Beutler	90	100
4	Newhouse	100	100
5	McMorris Rodgers	90	100
6	Kilmer	0	20
7	Jayapal	0	N/A
8	Reichert	80	100
9	Smith, Adam	0	9
10	Heck	0	13

West Virginia

1	McKinley	100	100
2	Mooney	100	100
3	Jenkins, E.	100	100

	115th	114th
	%	%

Wisconsin

1	Ryan, P.	100	100
2	Pocan	0	7
3	Kind	20	13
4	Moore	0	7
5	Sensenbrenner	90	100
6	Grothman	100	100
7	Duffy	100	100
8	Gallagher	100	N/A

Wyoming

AL	Cheney	100	N/A
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VOTE KEY

Voting percentages of Representatives who also served in the 114th Congress are in the white column.

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- **The gray column** indicates voting percentages for members of the 115th Congress.

N/A Member did not serve in the 114th Congress

- * Member served partial term in the 115th Congress or was not present for 70 percent of key votes. To be eligible for a Guardian Award, a lawmaker must vote on at least 70 percent of the key votes.

** Member served a partial term in the 114th Congress.

The following are descriptions of the five bills designated as NFIB Key Votes used to compile your Senators' NFIB Pre-Election Voting Record for the 115th Congress.

1. Gorsuch Nomination (PN 55)

NFIB supported confirmation of Judge Neil Gorsuch of Colorado to be an associate justice of the United States Supreme Court. Gorsuch was confirmed 54-45.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

In a Member survey, 91 percent of NFIB members agreed that NFIB should take a stand on Supreme Court nominees, either for or against, based on their decisions on small business issues.

2. Motion to Proceed on American Health Care Act (H.R. 1628)

NFIB supported the motion to proceed (MTP) on H.R. 1628, sponsored by Sen. Michael Enzi (WY). The MTP began debate on proposals that would have repealed the individual and employer mandates, as well as the tax increases included in the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare). The motion was agreed to 51-50 (Vice President Mike Pence cast the tie-breaking vote in support of the MTP).

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

In a Member Ballot (Vol. 559), 93 percent of NFIB members agreed that Congress should repeal the health care law.

3. Senate Amendment to Tax Cuts and Jobs Act (H.R. 1)

NFIB supported the Senate amendment to H.R. 1, sponsored by Sen. Orrin Hatch (UT). The bill provides much needed tax relief to America's job-creating small businesses by creating a substantial deduction for pass-through entities, lowering the corporate and individual tax rates, and revising other provisions in the tax code. The bill passed 51-49.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

According to NFIB's 2016 Small Business Problems and Priorities survey, "Federal Taxes on Business Income" ranked as the third most critical problem for small business owners.

Each description includes NFIB's position on the issue, as well as the NFIB Member Ballot or other research that determined that position.

4. Tax Cuts and Jobs Act Conference Report (H.R. 1)

NFIB supported the conference report on H.R. 1, sponsored by Sen. Orrin Hatch (UT). The conference agreement provides much needed tax relief to America's job-creating small businesses. It reforms the federal income tax system by creating a deduction of up to 20 percent for pass-through businesses, lowering the corporate and individual tax rates, and revising other provisions in the tax code. The bill passed 51-48, and H.R. 1 became Public Law No. 115-97.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

According to NFIB's 2016 Small Business Problems and Priorities survey, five of the top ten critical problems for small business owners were tax related.

5. Economic Growth, Regulatory Relief, and Consumer Protection Act (S. 2155)

NFIB supported S. 2155, sponsored by Sen. Mike Crapo (ID). The bill provides regulatory relief to community banks and credit unions while helping to ensure readily available access to capital for small businesses. The bill passed 67-31, and S. 2155 became Public Law No: 115-174.

WHAT MEMBERS SAID:

In a Member Ballot (Vol. 570), 82 percent of NFIB members agreed that Congress should revise the Dodd-Frank Act to allow community banks greater flexibility when determining whether to make a loan.

Your Senators on Small Business

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Senator was a House member during the 114th Congress; percentage reflects House voting percentage.

	115th	114th
	%	%

Alabama

Sessions	0*	83
Shelby	100	83
Strange	100*	N/A
Jones	100*	N/A

Alaska

Murkowski	80	83
Sullivan	100	83

Arizona

McCain	100*	83
Flake	100	83

Arkansas

Boozman	100	83
Cotton	100	83

California

Feinstein	0	17
Harris, K.	0	N/A

Colorado

Bennet	20	33
Gardner	100	100

Connecticut

Blumenthal	0	17
Murphy, C.	0	17

Delaware

Carper	20	33
Coons	20	17

	115th	114th
	%	%

Florida

Nelson	20	17
Rubio	100	100

Georgia

Isakson	100	100
Perdue	100	100

Hawaii

Schatz	0	17
Hirono	0	17

Idaho

Crapo	100	83
Risch	100	83

Illinois

Durbin	0	17
Duckworth	0	N/A

Indiana

Donnelly	40	100
Young, T.	100	100#

Iowa

Grassley	100	100
Ernst	100	83

Kansas

Roberts	100	100
Moran, Jerry	100	83

Kentucky

McConnell	100	100
Paul	100	83

	115th	114th
	%	%

Louisiana

Cassidy	100	83
Kennedy, John	100	N/A

Maine

Collins	80	67
King, A.	20	17

Maryland

Cardin	0	17
Van Hollen	0	7#

Massachusetts

Warren	0	17
Markey	0	17

Michigan

Stabenow	20	17
Peters, G.	20	17

Minnesota

Klobuchar	0	17
Franken	0*	17
Smith	0*	N/A

Mississippi

Cochran	100*	100
Wicker	100	100
Hyde-Smith	0*	N/A

Missouri

McCaskill	20	50
Blunt	100	100

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	115th	114th
	%	%

Montana

Tester	20	17
Daines	100	83

Nebraska

Fischer	100	83
Sasse	100	83

Nevada

Heller	100	100
Cortez Masto	0	N/A

New Hampshire

Shaheen	20	17
Hassan	20	N/A

New Jersey

Menendez	0	17
Booker	0	17

New Mexico

Udall	0	17
Heinrich	0	17

New York

Schumer	0	17
Gillibrand	0	17

North Carolina

Burr	100	100
Tillis	100	100

North Dakota

Hoeven	100	100
Heitkamp	40	83

Ohio

Brown, S.	0	20
Portman	100	100

Oklahoma

Inhofe	100	100
Lankford	100	100

Oregon

Wyden	0	17
Merkley	0	17

	115th	114th
	%	%

Pennsylvania

Casey	0	33
Toomey	100	83

Rhode Island

Reed, J.	0	17
Whitehouse	0	17

South Carolina

Graham, L.	100	100
Scott, T.	100	83

South Dakota

Thune	100	83
Rounds	100	100

Tennessee

Alexander	100	100
Corker	80	100

Texas

Cornyn	100	100
Cruz	100	83

Utah

Hatch	100	100
Lee, M.	100	83

Vermont

Leahy	0	17
Sanders	0	0

Virginia

Warner	20	33
Kaine	20	17

Washington

Murray	0	17
Cantwell	0	17

West Virginia

Manchin	40	67
Capito	100	100

Wisconsin

Johnson, R.	100	100
Baldwin	0	17

	115th	114th
	%	%

Wyoming

Enzi	100	83
Barrasso	100	100

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