MARYLAND LEAGUE OF CONSERVATION VOTERS

Highest and Lowest Scores for 2015

100% Scores for 2015

Senate: Brochin, Currie, Feldman, Ferguson, Gladden, Guzzone, Kagan, Kasemeyer, King, Lee, Madaleno, Manno, McFadden, Miller, Montgomery, Muse, Nathan-Pulliam, Peters, Pinsky, Ramirez, Raskin, Rosapepe, Young, and Zirkin

House: Anderson, Angel, Atterbeary, Barkley, B.Barnes, D. Barnes, Barron, Barve, Beidle, Branch, Bromwell, Brooks, Busch, Campos, Carey, Carr, Carter, Chang, Clippinger, Conaway, Cullison, Davis, Dumais, Ebersole, Fennell, Fraser-Hidalgo, Frick, Frush, Gaines, Gilchrist, Glenn, Gutierrez, Hammen, Hayes, Haynes, Healey, Hettleman, Hill, Hixson, Holmes, C. Howard, Jackson, Jalisi, Jameson, Jones, Kaiser, Kelly, Knotts, Korman, Kramer, Krimm, Lafferty, Lam, Lierman, Lisanti, Luedtke, McCray, McIntosh, McMillan, Miele, A. Miller, Moon, Morales, Morhaim, Oaks, Patterson, Pena-Melnyk, Pendergrass, Platt, Proctor, Reznik, B. Robinson, S. Robinson, Rosenberg, Sample-Hughes, Smith, Sophocleus, Stein, Sydnor, Tarlau, Turner, Valderrama, Valentino-Smith, Vallario, Vaughn, Waldstreicher, Walker, A. Washington, M. Washington, West, K. Young, P. Young, and Zucker

Lowest Scores for 2015

(25% or worse)

Senate: Hough and Ready

House: Adams, Arentz, Fisher, Ghrist, Impallaria, Mautz, McKay, W. Miller, and Vogt

Average Scores over Time

	2015	Since 2003	Lifetime
Senate			
Republicans	48%	32%	32%
Democrats	95%	84%	84%
House			
Republicans	46%	39%	39%
Democrats	100%	94%	92%

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Prospect Bay

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2015 Senate Committee Votes

Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee

Joan Carter Conway, Chair

SB 200 Microbeads

(Senator Conway): Prohibits the manufacture or sale of personal care products or over–the–counter drugs that contain plastic microbeads that don't biodegrade in the Bay. The bill was signed by the Governor.

SB 257 Phosphorus Management Tool or PMT

(Senator Pinsky): The PMT is a scientifically valid system that helps farmers determine how much phosphorus can be safely spread on their fields. The bill did not pass, but it helped ensure that the Hogan Administration promulgated strong regulations for the agriculture industry to have the tools necessary to reduce phosphorus in the Bay.

SB 588 Watershed Protection and Restoration Program

(Governor Hogan): Repeals the polluted runoff law. The bill died in committee.

HB 860 State Lakes Invasive Species Act

(Delegate Stein): Requires owners to clean their boats of visible organic material before placing them in lakes owned and operated by the state as of April 1, 2017. The bill was signed by the Governor.

Senator, District	SB200	SB 257	SB588	HB 860	Total
Conway, 43	+	+	+	+	4/4
Bates, 9	+	–	–	a	1/4
Kagan, 17	+	+	e	+	3/3
Montgomery, 14	+	+	+	+	4/4
Nathan–Pulliam, 44	+	+	+	+	4/4
Pinsky, 22	+	+	+	+	4/4
Rosapepe, 21	+	+	+	+	4/4
Salling, 6	+	–	–	+	2/4
Simonaire, 31	+	–	–	a	1/4
Waugh, 29	+	–	–	+	2/4
Young, 3	+	+	+	+	4/4

Grasonville

KEY TO TABLES

+ Pro–environment vote
– Anti–environment vote
a Absence (counts as negative)
e Excused absence

Finance Committee

Thomas M. Middleton, Chair

SB 373 Clean Energy Advancement Act

(Senator Feldman): SB 373 would raise our current clean electricity standard or Renewable Portfolio Standard (RPS) to 25% by 2020, which would have put Maryland on track to reach 40% renewable energy by 2025 as recommended by the state's 2013 Greenhouse Gas Reduction Act plan. The bill died in committee.

HB 1087 Community Solar

(Delegate Clippinger): HB 1087 expands access to solar energy for those who are not able to install solar panels on their own home. This bill makes obtaining solar energy affordable for Marylanders by collectively participating in projects with a variety of financing options. The bill was signed by the Governor.

Senator, District	SB 373	HB 1087	Total
Middleton, 28	+	+	2/2
Astle, 30	+	+	2/2
Benson, 24	–	+	1/2
Feldman, 15	+	+	2/2
Hershey, 36	–	+	1/2
Jennings, 7	–	+	1/2
Kelley, 10	–	+	1/2
Klausmeier, 8	–	+	1/2
Mathias, 38	–	+	1/2
Pugh, 40	–	+	1/2
Reilly, 33	–	+	1/2

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2015 House Committee Votes

Appropriations Committee

Maggie McIntosh, Chair

HB 559

Law School Clinics

(Delegate Buckel): HB 559 would have prohibited a law clinic in the University System of Maryland from participating in litigation or judicial review of an act, decision, or determination made by a state agency, department or board. The correct vote is no. The bill died in this committee.

KEY TO TABLE

+ Pro–environment vote
– Anti–environment vote
e Excused absence

Delegate, District	HB 559	Total
McIntosh, 43	+	1/1
Barnes, B. 21	+	1/1
Beitzel, 1A	–	0/1
Carozza, 38C	–	0/1
Chang, 32	+	1/1
Ciliberti, 4	+	1/1
Gaines, 22	+	1/1
Ghrist, 36	–	0/1
Grammer Jr., 6	+	1/1
Gutierrez, 18	+	1/1
Haynes, 44A	+	1/1
Hettleman, 11	+	1/1
Jackson, 27B	+	1/1
Jones, 10	+	1/1
Korman, 16	+	1/1
Krimm, 3A	+	1/1
Lierman, 46	+	1/1
McConkey, 33	+	1/1
McKay, 1C	–	0/1
Miller, A. 15	+	1/1
Proctor, 27A	+	1/1
Robinson, B. 40	+	1/1
Sophocleus, 32	+	1/1
Vogt III, 4	–	0/1
Wivell, 2A	e	0/0
Young, 44B	+	1/1
Zucker, 14	+	1/1

Flintstone

Frederick

Economic Matters Committee

Dereck E. Davis, Chair

HB 1087

Community Solar

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Delegate, District	HB 1087	Total
Davis, 25	e	0/0
Adams, 37B	–	0/1
Arentz, 36	–	0/1
Aumann, 42B	+	1/1
Barkley, 39	+	1/1
Branch, 45	+	1/1
Brooks, 10	+	1/1
Carey, 31A	+	1/1
Clippinger, 46	+	1/1
Fisher, 27C	–	0/1
Frick, 16	+	1/1
Glenn, 45	+	1/1
Howard, S. 30B	–	0/1
Impallaria, 7	+	1/1
Jameson, 28	+	1/1
Kramer, 19	+	1/1
Lisanti, 34A	+	1/1
Mautz, 37B	–	0/1
Miller, W. 9A	–	0/1
Valderrama, 26	+	1/1
Vaughn, 24	+	1/1
Waldstreicher, 18	+	1/1
Wilson, C. 28	+	1/1

2015 House Committee Votes, continued

Environment and Transportation Committee

Kumar P. Barve, Chair

HB 449 Fracking Moratorium

(Senator Montgomery, Delegate Fraser–Hidalgo): SB 409/HB 449, before it was amended by the Senate, prohibited fracking permits from being issued in Maryland before 2023 and required an expert panel of health professionals, to convene in 2022 to review new studies and to advise on the safety of fracking. The bill was amended by the Senate and allowed to become law without the Governor's signature.

HB 481 Watershed Protection and Restoration Program

(Governor Hogan): Repeals the polluted runoff law. The bill died in committee.

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Delegate, District	HB 449	HB 481	HB 860	Total
Barve, 17	e	+	e	1/1
Anderton Jr., 38B	–	–	+	1/3
Beidle, 32	+	+	+	3/3
Carr, 18	+	+	+	3/3
Cassilly, 35B	+	–	+	2/3
Flanagan, 9B	+	–	+	2/3
Folden, 3B	–	n/a	+	1/2
Fraser–Hidalgo, 15	+	+	+	3/3
Frush, 21	+	+	+	3/3
Gilchrist, 17	+	+	+	3/3
Healey, 22	+	+	+	3/3
Holmes, 23B	+	+	+	3/3
Jacobs, 36	–	–	+	1/3
Jalisi, 10	+	n/a	+	2/2
Knotts, 26	+	+	+	3/3
Lafferty, 42A	+	+	+	3/3
Lam, 12	+	+	+	3/3
McCray, 45	+	+	+	3/3
O'Donnell, 29C	–	–	+	1/3
Otto, 38A	–	–	+	1/3
Robinson, 39	+	+	+	3/3
Stein, 11	+	+	+	3/3
Szeliga, 7	–	–	+	1/3

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