



MICHIGAN FARM BUREAU

MICHIGAN'S VOICE OF AGRICULTURE



2017-18 VOTE RECORD

Updated: 8/1/2018

2017-18 VOTE RECORD: STATE ISSUES



CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS

Farm Bureau supported House Bill 4181, requiring high school guidance counselors to dedicate more time to learning about career and technical education and skilled trade job opportunities.

The bill was signed into law in November 2017 as Public Act 151.

Score: 15 points



RULE-MAKING RESTRICTIONS

Farm Bureau supports House Bill 4205, that would limit state government's ability to adopt a rule more stringent than the federal government's regulations.

The bill passed the House in May 2017, but has not received a vote in the Senate.

Score: 10 points



ON-FARM PORTABLE TOILETS

Farm Bureau supported House Bill 4438, amending the Natural Resources Protection Act to allow a farm operation to transport portable toilets over a roadway without a septage hauler's license under certain conditions.

The bill was signed into law in July 2018 as Public Act 271.

Score: 15 points



AGRICULTURE SALES AND USE TAX

Farm Bureau supported House Bills 4561 and 4564, amending the sales and use tax acts to clarify the agriculture sales and use tax exemptions to prevent misinterpretation by the Department of Treasury and others.

The bills were signed into law in April 2018 as Public Acts 113 and 114.

Score: 25 points each



AG HERITAGE LICENSE PLATE EXPANSION

Farm Bureau supported House Bill 4907 to expand opportunities for individuals to purchase the agricultural heritage license plate, which supports state agriculture

education programs. Under previous law, fundraising plates could only be issued for personal vehicles and nonbusiness purposes.

The new law removes the restriction and allows fundraising plates to be issued for any passenger motor vehicle, motor home, pickup truck or van, without regard to the vehicle's use or purpose.

The bill was signed into law in December 2017 as Public Act 234.

Score: 5 points



PROHIBITION OF FOOD-RELATED TAXES

Farm Bureau supported House Bill 4999, prohibiting local governments from imposing taxes on food manufacturing, distribution or sale. It serves to protect families, farmers and local businesses

from the negative impacts food taxes would have on the state's economy.

The bill was signed into law in October 2017 as Public Act 135.

Score: 10 points



NO-FAULT AUTO INSURANCE REFORMS

Farm Bureau supported House Bill 5013, that would have made several reforms to Michigan's no-fault automobile insurance system. Provisions related to personal

injury protection, medical fee schedules, and limits on attendant care were supported by member-developed policy.

The bill was defeated in the House in November 2017, and therefore has not been considered in the Senate.

Score: 10 points



BALLAST WATER DISCHARGE

Farm Bureau supports House Bill 5095, that would amend the Natural Resources Environmental Protection Act to adopt federal standards for ballast water discharge.

MFB Policy #79 Invasive Species states, "Michigan should not establish ballast water discharge standards that are more restrictive than neighboring Great Lakes States or Canadian Provinces. Michigan's standards should reflect the federal standards which are enforced by the U.S. Coast Guard."

The bill passed the House in November 2017. It also passed the Senate in November 2017, however the vote was reconsidered, therefore nullifying the action.

Score: 10 points

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SKILLED TRADES PROMOTION

Farm Bureau supported a series of five bills to address four initiatives of skilled trade promotion. Key provisions of the package included:

- HB 5139: Requiring the Michigan Department of Education to develop a model program for career exploration and job readiness to be incorporated in all grade levels.
- HB 5141: Providing local school boards with the ability to hire licensed professionals to teach in career-tech courses in their field of expertise to address the shortage of CTE instructors.
- HB 5145: Allowing teachers to use time spent engaging with local employers or tech centers to count toward professional teaching certificate renewal.

The bills were signed into law in July 2018.

Score: 5 points each



MICHIGAN MERIT CURRICULUM

Farm Bureau supported Senate Bill 175, which extended the sunset on the foreign language flex credit within the Michigan Merit Curriculum until 2024. The extension allows students to continue substituting a

CTE course, such as agriscience, for one of the two required foreign language credits.

The bill was signed into law in July 2018 as Public Act 232.

Score: 25 points



DEQ OVERSIGHT REFORMS

Farm Bureau supports Senate Bills 652-654, that would increase transparency and accountability within the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality.

The proposal is intended to strengthen faulty processes and increase stakeholder involvement through creation of an environmental rules committee, a permit appeal board and a governor's environmental science advisory board.

The bills passed the Senate in January 2018 and now await a vote by the House Natural Resources Committee.

Score: 25 points (SB 652), 25 points (SB 653), 10 points (SB 654)



LARGE QUANTITY WATER WITHDRAWALS

Farm Bureau supported House Bill 5638, that made science-based improvements to the state's large quantity water withdrawal program. The updated law is expected

to make withdrawal registrations less expensive and time consuming for farmers by providing an alternative to the traditional site-specific review process.

The bill was signed into law in June 2018 as Public Act 209.

Score: 25 points



Farm Bureau member leaders and staff attended the bill signing for House Bill 5638 that makes science-based improvements to the state's large quantity water withdrawal program.

From left: St. Joseph Co. Farm Bureau President Sara Trattles; Branch Co. Vice President Doug Bloom; Dist. 59 State Rep. Aaron Miller; Gov. Rick Snyder; MFB Board Member Larry Walton; MFB Natural and Environmental Resources Advisory Committee Chair Mark Daniels, MFB President Carl Bednarski; and MFB Govt. Relations Manager Matt Smego.

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110	Dianda, Scott, D-Calumet	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	64%	
5	Durhal, Fred, D-Detroit	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	50%	
96	Elder, Brian, D-Bay City	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	56%	
26	Ellison, Jim, D-Royal Oak	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	62%	
48	Faris, Pam, D-Clio	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	62%	
30	Farrington, Diana, R-Utica	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%	
85	Frederick, Ben, R-Owosso	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	96%	
90	Garcia, Daniela, R-Holland	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	96%	
7	Garrett, LaTanya, D-Detroit	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	Y	n	n	n	26%	
8	Gay-Dagnogo, Sherry, D-Detroit	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	16%	
12	Geiss, Erika, D-Taylor	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	n	36%	
98	Glenn, Gary, R-Midland	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	98%	
51	Graves, Joe, R-Argentine Twp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	96%	
28	Green, Patrick, D-Warren	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	n	42%	
37	Greig, Christine, D-Farmington Hills	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	46%	
29	Greimel, Tim, D-Auburn Hills	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	n	56%	
66	Griffin, Beth, R-Mattawan	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%	
95	Guerra, Vanessa, D-Bridgeport	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	66%	
15	Hammoud, Abdullah, D-Dearborn	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	16%	
99	Hauck, Roger, R-Mt. Pleasant	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%	
83	Hernandez, Shane, R-Port Huron	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	92%	
18	Hertel, Kevin, D- St. Clair Shores	Y	NV	n	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	n	36%	
60	Hoadley, Jon, D-Kalamazoo	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	Y	n	n	n	n	26%	

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102	Hoitenga, Michele, R-Manton	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
32	Hornberger, Pamela, R-Chesterfield	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
82	Howell, Gary, R-North Branch	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	92%
41	Howrylak, Martin, R-Troy	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	Y	70%
91	Hughes, Holly, R-Montague	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	92%
61	Iden, Brandt, R-Oshtemo	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	96%
104	Inman, Larry, R-Williamsburg	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	90%
72	Johnson, Steven, R-Wayland	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	n	68%
11	Jones, Jewell, D-Inkster	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	n	n	Y	n	n	n	Y	n	n	n	n	24%
57	Kahle, Bronna, R-Clinton	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
94	Kelly, Tim, R-Saginaw	Y	Y	Y	NV	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	98%
39	Kesto, Klint, R-Commerce Twp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	96%
16	Kosowski, Robert, D-Westland	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	n	n	48%
108	LaFave, Beau, R-Iron Mountain	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
75	LaGrand, David, D-Grand Rapids	Y	n	Y	Y	n	n	n	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	n	48%
79	LaSata, Kim, R-Benton Harbor	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
52	Lasinski, Donna, D-Ann Arbor	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	n	52%
81	Lauwers, Dan, R-Brockway	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
93	Leonard, Tom, R-Lansing	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
58	Leutheuser, Eric, R-Hillsdale	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
13	Liberati, Frank, D-Allen Park	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	n	n	40%
89	Lilly, Jim, R-Holland	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
10	Love, Leslie, D-Detroit	Y	n	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	Y	NV	n	Y	n	n	44%

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70	Lower, James, R-Cedar Lake	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
36	Lucido, Peter, R-Shelby Twp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	96%
24	Marino, Steve, R-Harrison Twp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	96%
63	Maturen, David, R-Vicksburg	Y	Y	NV	Y	Y	n	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	86%
40	McCready, Michael, R-Birmingham	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	86%
59	Miller, Aaron, R-Sturgis	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	98%
35	Moss, Jeremy, D-Southfield	Y	n	n	Y	n	n	n	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	52%
34	Neeley, Sheldon, D-Flint	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	56%
20	Noble, Jeff, R-Plymouth	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	94%
21	Pagan, Kristy, D-Canton Twp	Y	n	n	Y	n	n	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	Y	n	n	n	n	22%
78	Pagel, Dave, R-Berrien Springs	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	92%
54	Peterson, Ronnie, D-Ypsilanti	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	n	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	44%
49	Phelps, Phil, D-Flushing	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	62%
53	Rabhi, Yousef, D-Ann Arbor	Y	n	n	Y	n	n	n	Y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	10%
46	Reilly, John, R-Oakland	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	68%
103	Rendon, Daire, R-Lake City	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
65	Roberts, Brett, R-Eaton Twp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	96%
4	Robinson, Rose Mary, D-Detroit	Y	n	Y	Y	n	n	n	Y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	16%
44	Runestad, Jim, R-White Lake Twp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	94%
92	Sabo, Terry, D-Muskegon	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	62%
9	Santana, Sylvia, D-Detroit	Y	n	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	Y	n	n	n	30%
56	Sheppard, Jason, R-Temperance	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
69	Singh, Sam, D-East Lansing	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	52%

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50	Sneller, Tim, D-Burton	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	62%	
31	Sowerby, William, D-Clinton Twp	Y	n	n	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	n	n	n	Y	n	n	n	n	24%	
43	Tedder, Jim, R-Clarkson	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	90%	
42	Theis, Lana, R-Brighton	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	94%	
101	VanderWall, Curt, R-Ludington	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%	
100	VanSingel, Scott, R-Grant	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	92%	
47	Vaupel, Hank, R-Fowlerville	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%	
74	VerHeulen, Robert, R-Walker	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	72%	
88	Victory, Roger, R-Hudsonville	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%	
45	Webber, Michael, R-Rochester Hills	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	96%	
97	Wentworth, Jason, R-Clare	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	94%	
80	Whiteford, Mary, R-Casco Twp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%	
27	Wittenberg, Robert, D-Oak Park	Y	n	n	Y	n	n	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	12%	
1	Yancey, Tenisha, D-Harper Woods	Elected Nov. 2017 to serve a partial term; filling a vacant seat.								Y	n	Y	n	n	n	n	n	n	n	6%
25	Yanez, Henry, D-Sterling Heights	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	Y	n	n	n	n	32%	
33	Yaroch, Jeff, R-Richmond	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	92%	
55	Zemke, Adam, D-Ann Arbor	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	n	52%	

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27	Ananich, Jim, D-Flint	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	Y	Y	68%
9	Bieda, Steve, D-Warren	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	Y	n	56%
35	Booher, Darwin, R-Ewart	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
8	Brandenburg, Jack, R-Harrison Twp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
38	*Casperson, Tom, R-Escanaba	Y	NV	NV	NV	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NV	Y	100%
7	Colbeck, Patrick, R-Canton Twp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
4	Conyers, Ian, D-Detroit	Y	Y	n	Y	NV	NV	Y	Y	n	n	n	Y	n	32%
33	Emmons, Judy, R-Sheridan	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
31	Green, Mike, R-Mayville	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
11	Gregory, Vincent, D-Southfield	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	n	Y	n	51%
34	Hansen, Goeff, R-Hart	Y	Y	Y	Y	NV	NV	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	76%
23	Hertel Jr., Curtis, D-East Lansing	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	Y	Y	68%
29	Hildenbrand, Dave, R-Lowell	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
3	Hood III, Morris, D-Detroit	Y	Y	n	n	Y	Y	Y	n	NV	NV	NV	Y	n	49%
6	Hopgood, Hoon-Yung, D-Taylor	Y	Y	n	n	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	n	Y	n	49%
32	Horn, Ken, R-Frankenmuth	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NV	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	95%
22	Hune, Joe, R-Hamburg Twp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
24	Jones, Rick, R-Grand Ledge	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
5	Knezek, David, D-Detroit	Y	Y	n	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	n	Y	Y	66%
13	Knollenberg, Marty, R-Troy	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
15	Kowall, Mike, R-White Lake Twp	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%

*Sen. Casperson's missed votes ere due to a medical leave of absence and therefore are omitted from his score.

2017-18 VOTE RECORD: FEDERAL ISSUES



TAX CUTS AND JOBS ACT

Farm Bureau supported HR 1, that provided comprehensive tax reforms that farm businesses depend on, such as immediate expensing, business interest deduction and cash accounting. It also included an increase in the estate tax exemption.

The legislation was signed into law in December 2017.

Score: 25 points



AMERICAN HEALTH CARE ACT

Farm Bureau supported HR 1628, that would have partially repealed the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. It included provisions such as the individual mandate, employer mandates and various taxes, and also would have modified the Medicaid program.

The bill passed the House and was not considered by the Senate.

Score: 15 points



COMMODITY FUTURES TRADING COMMISSION

Farm Bureau supported HR 238, that would have reauthorized and updated the Commodity Futures Trading Commission.

The bill passed the House and was not considered by the Senate.

Score: 10 points



REDUCING REGULATORY BURDENS ACT

Farm Bureau supported HR 953, that would have prohibited the EPA or a state from requiring a National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit for a discharge of a pesticide from a point source into navigable waters if the discharge is approved under Federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act.

The bill passed the House and was not considered by the Senate.

Score: 15 points



REGULATORY ACCOUNTABILITY ACT

Farm Bureau supported HR 5, that would have revised federal rulemaking procedures to require an agency to make all determinations based on evidence and

to consider:

1. The legal authority under which a rule may be proposed;
2. The specific nature and significance of the problem the agency may address with a rule;
3. Whether existing rules have created or contributed to the problem the agency may address with a rule and whether such rules may be amended or rescinded;
4. Any reasonable alternatives for a new rule; and
5. Potential costs and benefits associated with potential alternative rules, including impacts on low-income populations.

The bill passed the House and was not considered by the Senate.

Score: 15 points



REGULATORY INTEGRITY ACT

Farm Bureau supported HR 1004, that would have required a list of pending agency regulatory actions be made publicly available on the agency's website or on

Regulations.gov.

The bill passed the House and was not considered by the Senate.

Score: 15 points



STRENGTHENING CAREER & TECHNICAL EDUCATION

Farm Bureau supported HR 2353, that would have reauthorized the Carl D. Perkins Career & Technical Education Act. The law provides federal financial support for career and technical education

programs, including support for integrated career pathways programs.

The bill passed the House and was not considered by the Senate.

Score: 5 points



OZONE STANDARDS IMPLEMENTATION ACT

Farm Bureau supported HR 806, that would have provided for reasonable implementation of the EPA's National Ambient Air Quality Standards for ozone by aligning the 2008 and 2015 standards.

The bill passed the House and was not considered by the Senate.

Score: 10 points

2017-18 VOTE RECORD: FEDERAL ISSUES



FISCAL YEAR 2018 CONSOLIDATED APPROPRIATIONS ACT

Farm Bureau supported HR 1625, that funded the USDA, resolved disparity created by tax reform related to cooperatives (199a), eliminated the

requirement for livestock facility air quality reporting (CERCLA), extended the Electronic Logging Device waiver for livestock haulers, and created the Agriculture Risk Coverage County Pilot program.

The legislation was signed into law by President Trump in March 2018.

Score: 25 points



2018 BIPARTISAN BUDGET ACT

Farm Bureau supported HR 1892, that made modifications to the Dairy Margin Protection Program, removed the \$20 million Livestock Gross Margin cap, and provided additional funds for Tree

Assistance Program.

The legislation was signed into law by President Trump in February 2018.

Score: 25 points



AMENDMENT ON ELECTRONIC LOGGING DEVICE

Farm Bureau supported an amendment within HR 3354, seeking to prohibit funds from being used to implement or enforce

the Electronic Logging Device mandate for livestock haulers.

The amendment failed.

Score: 10 points



ROBERT LIGHTHIZER CONFIRMATION

Farm Bureau supported PN 42, the Senate vote in May 2017 to confirm Robert Lighthizer as the United States Trade Representative with the rank of Ambassador.

Score: 10 points



NEIL GORSUCH CONFIRMATION

Farm Bureau supported PN 55, the Senate vote in April 2017 to confirm Neil Gorsuch as an Associate Justice of the United States Supreme Court.

Score: 10 points



SCOTT PRUITT CONFIRMATION

Farm Bureau supported PN 44, the Senate vote in February 2017 to confirm Scott Pruitt as the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency.

Score: 10 points



SONNY PERDUE CONFIRMATION

Farm Bureau supported PN 90, the Senate vote in April 2017 to confirm Sonny Perdue as U.S. Secretary of Agriculture.

Score: 10 points



WATER RESOURCES DEVELOPMENT ACT

Farm Bureau supported HR 8, legislation that provides improvements to the nation's ports, inland waterways, locks, dams, flood protection, ecosystem restoration, and

other water resources infrastructure that help get products to market.

The bill passed the House and was not considered by the Senate.

Score: 10 points



SECURING AMERICA'S FUTURE

Farm Bureau supported HR 4760, a broader immigration bill that included the AG Guestworker bill – H-2C visa.

The bill failed to pass in the House in June 2018, however, it could still come up for a vote later in the year.

Score: 25 points



2018 FARM BILL

Farm Bureau supported both the House and Senate versions of HR 2, the 2018 Farm Bill.

As of July 2018, House and Senate negotiators were working through differences before being able to send the bill to President Trump.

Score: 25 points

U.S. HOUSE AND SENATE

KEY:		HR 1: Tax Cuts and Jobs Act	HR 1628: American Health Care Act	HR 238: Commodity Futures Trading Commis	HR 953: Reducing Regulatory Burdens Act	HR 5: Regulatory Accountability Act	HR 1004: Regulatory Integrity Act	HR 2353: Strengthening Career & Technical Education	HR 806: Ozone Standards Implementation Act	HR 1625: FY 2018 Consolidated Appropriations Act	HR 1892: 2018 Bipartisan Budget Act	HR 3354: Amendment on Electronic Logging Device	HR 8: Water Resources Development Act	HR 4760: Securing America's Future	HR 2: Agriculture Improvement Act	SCORE
District	Representative, Party-City	25	15	10	15	15	15	5	10	25	25	10	10	25	25	230
3	Amash, Justin, R-Cascade Twp.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	n	Y	n	n	n	52%
1	Bergman, Jack, R-Watersmeet	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	89%
8	Bishop, Mike, R-Rochester	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	NV	Y	Y	96%
12	Dingell, Debbie, D-Dearborn	n	n	n	n	n	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	Y	n	n	17%
2	Huizenga, Bill, R-Zeeland	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
5	Kildee, Dan, D-Flint Twp.	n	n	n	n	n	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	Y	n	n	17%
14	Lawrence, Brenda, D-Southfield	n	n	n	n	n	n	Y	n	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	28%
9	Levin, Sander, D-Royal Oak	n	n	n	n	n	n	Y	n	Y	n	n	Y	n	n	17%
10	Mitchell, Paul, R-Dryden Twp.	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	96%
4	Moolenaar, John, R-Midland	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
11	Trott, Dave, R-Birmingham	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	96%
6	Upton, Fred, R-St. Joseph	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	n	n	74%
7	Walberg, Tim, R-Tipton	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	n	Y	Y	Y	96%

Note: Michigan's 13th Congressional District is vacant.

KEY:		HR 1: Tax Cuts and Jobs Act	PN 42: Robert Lighthizer Confirmation	PN 55: Neil Gorsuch Confirmation	PN 44: Scott Pruitt Confirmation	PN 90: Sonny Perdue Confirmation	HR 1625: Fiscal Year 2018 Omnibus	HR 1892: 2018 Bipartisan Budget Act	HR 2: Agriculture and Nutrition Act	SCORE
Senator, Party		25	10	10	10	10	25	25	25	140
Peters, Gary, D		n	Y	n	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	68%
Stabenow, Debbie, D		n	Y	n	n	Y	Y	Y	Y	68%