



2017-2018 Legislative Scorecard



Associated Industries of Massachusetts (AIM) is pleased to present its 2017-2018 *Legislative Scorecard*, the most widely read report on the voting record of Massachusetts legislators on issues important to employers. AIM releases the *Legislative Scorecard* at the end of each two-year session to ensure that members know legislators' records on key economic and public-policy issues, and to recognize lawmakers who understand the importance of a vibrant economy for all residents.



2017–2018 Legislative Session

The 2017-2018 legislative session was dominated by a wave of progressive ballot initiatives that forced employers and lawmakers to forge a broad compromise establishing paid family and medical leave, increasing the minimum wage to \$15 per hour and eliminating overtime pay for Sunday retail work. AIM helped to negotiate the compromise because the proposed ballot questions on those issues were dangerous to business and almost certainly would have passed in a year of unprecedented electoral activism.

A separate potential ballot question establishing a surtax on incomes of more than \$1 million died in the face of a court challenge lodged by AIM President Richard Lord and four other prominent business leaders.

And employers struggling to provide good health insurance to their employees remained frustrated at having to pay a \$200 million annual assessment to close a budget gap in the MassHealth program for low-income people with no prospect of reforms to put that system on a sound financial footing.

The prevalence of compromise resulted in solid *Legislative Scorecard* results for both the House and Senate.

Virtually every member of the House of Representatives earned grades of 50 percent or higher and 36 representatives ended the session at 80 percent. The majority of House members ended the session with a grade of 60 percent.

The House ratings were based on five roll-call votes dealing with issues ranging from economic development to energy.

In the Senate, seven members posted scores of more than 60 percent, with three leading the way at 75 percent. Twenty-two senators ended the session at 50 percent.

The Senate scores were based upon many of the same issues debated by the House, as well as additional votes on so-called wage theft and an overreaching energy bill.

The *Legislative Scorecard* selects votes that reflect the objectives of *The Blueprint for the Next Century*, AIM's long-term plan for economic prosperity in Massachusetts. The plan maintains that only a vibrant, private-sector economy creates opportunity that binds the social, governmental, and economic foundations of our commonwealth.



The *Blueprint* contains four specific recommendations against which AIM measures public policy issues:

1. Develop the best system in the world for educating and training workers with the skills needed to allow Massachusetts companies to succeed in a rapidly changing global economy.
2. Support business formation and expansion by creating a uniformly competitive economic structure across all industries, geographic regions and populations, rather than picking winners and losers. That structure must include a reliable and efficient transportation system.
3. Establish a world-class state regulatory system that ensures the health and welfare of society in a manner that meets the highest standards of efficiency, predictability, transparency and responsiveness.
4. Moderate the immense long-term burden that health care and energy costs place on business growth.

We hope you find the *Legislative Scorecard* informative, and that you will share these results with your colleagues and associates. Should the Legislature resume formal sessions before January, AIM may issue an updated Scorecard.



Key Votes | House of Representatives

- 1. HB3680** - Vote to pass a bill establishing the Massachusetts Pregnant Workers Fairness Act, which added pregnancy as a “protected category” in the commonwealth’s anti-discrimination law.
AIM supported the legislation.
- 2. SB10** - Vote to send forward the so-called millionaires’ tax, an amendment to the constitution establishing a 4 percentage-point surtax on incomes more than \$1 million, for consideration on the 2018 ballot.
AIM opposed moving the question forward.
- 3. HB4617** - Vote to pass the House health-care bill, which included more than \$300 million in new health-care assessments to support certain hospitals.
AIM opposed the legislation.
- 4. HB4640** - Vote to pass the ‘grand bargain’ bill to increase the minimum wage, institute paid family and medical leave, and establish an annual sales tax holiday, in advance of potential ballot questions on the issues.
AIM supported the legislation.
- 5. HB4857** - Vote to accept the conference committee report on a compromise bill to promote clean energy by increasing the renewable energy portfolio standard and requiring that minimum electricity sales during peak use times be generated from certain clean-peak resources.
AIM supported the legislation.



Key Votes | Senate

- 1. SB10** - Vote to send forward the so-called millionaires' tax, an amendment to the constitution establishing a 4 percentage-point surtax on incomes more than \$1 million, for consideration on the 2018 ballot.
AIM opposed moving the question forward.
- 2. HB3680** - Vote to pass a bill establishing the Pregnant Workers Fairness Act,, which added pregnancy as a "protected category" in the commonwealth's anti-discrimination law.
AIM supported the legislation.
- 3. SB2202** - Vote to pass the Senate health-care bill, which increased hospital reimbursement rates without requiring any rate reductions to control costs.
AIM opposed the legislation.
- 4. SB2545** - Vote to pass the Senate energy bill, which would limit options for carbon-free electricity and otherwise raise energy costs.
AIM opposed the legislation.
- 5. HB4640** - Vote to pass the 'grand bargain' bill to increase the minimum wage, institute paid family and medical leave, and establish an annual sales tax holiday, in advance of potential ballot questions on the issues.
AIM supported the legislation.
- 6. SB2546** - Vote to pass a bill allowing for shared liability between lead companies and contractors and subcontractors for wage violations, and the establishment of 'stop work' orders for companies under investigation for wage theft.
AIM opposed the legislation.
- 7. SB2625** - Vote to adopt an amendment to the economic-development bond bill to provide a refundable credit for employers who pay MassHealth assessments to the commonwealth and employer shared-responsibility payments to the IRS for failure to offer health insurance.
AIM supported the legislation.
- 8. HB4857** - Vote to accept the conference committee report on a compromise bill to promote clean energy by increasing the renewable energy portfolio standard and requiring that minimum electricity sales during peak use times be generated from certain clean-peak resources.
AIM supported the legislation.



Scorecard | House of Representatives

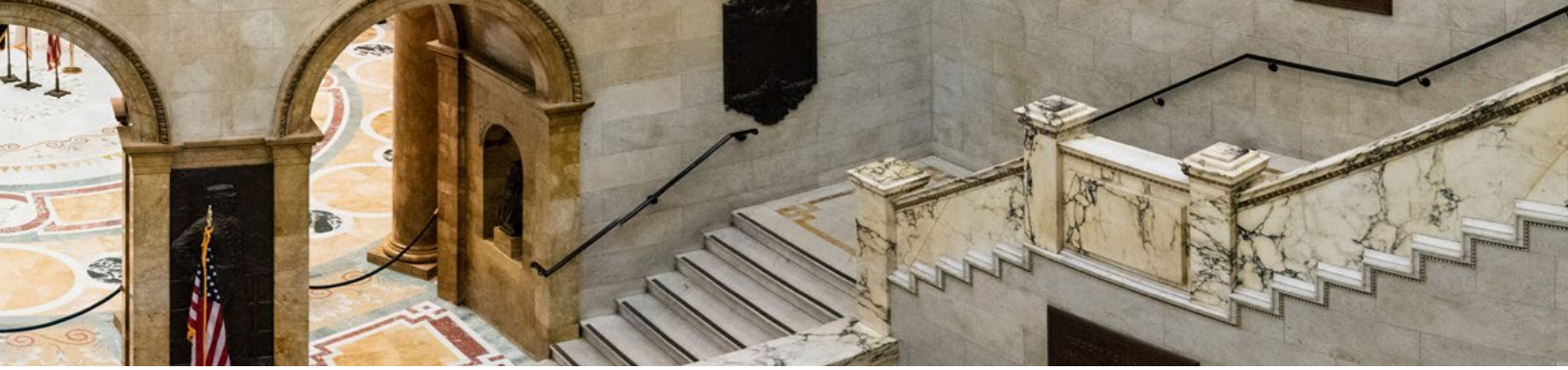
	1	2	3	4	5	Score
AIM Vote Preference	+	-	-	+	+	100%
Bradley Jones, Jr. (R)	+	-	-	+	+	100%
David Vieira (R)	+	-	-	+	+	100%
Randy Hunt (R)	+	-	-	+	+	100%
Bradford Hill (R)	+	-	-	+	+	100%
Donald Wong (R)	+	-	-	+	+	100%
Timothy Whelan (R)	+	-	-	+	+	100%
Susan Gifford (R)	+	-	-	+	+	100%
Geoff Diehl (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
James Dwyer (D)	+	-	+	+	+	80%
David Muradian (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Peter Durant (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Shawn Dooley (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Leonard Mirra (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Elizabeth Poirier (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Angelo Puppolo, Jr. (D)	+	-	+	+	+	80%
Thomas Petrolati (D)	+	-	+	+	+	80%
William Galvin (D)	+	-	+	+	+	80%
Danielle Gregoire (D)	+	-	+	+	+	80%
Keiko Orrall (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
David Nangle (D)	+	-	+	+	+	80%
Paul Frost (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Sheila Harrington (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Kimberly Ferguson (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
David DeCoste (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Ann-Margaret Ferrante (D)	+	-	+	+	+	80%
Michael Finn (D)	+	-	+	+	+	80%
Mathew Muratore (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Steven Howitt (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Nicholas Boldyga (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Kate Campanale (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Christopher Markey (D)	+	-	+	+	+	80%
Donald Berthiaume Jr. (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Kevin Kuros (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
James Lyons (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Susannah Whipps (I)	+	-	+	+	+	80%
F. Barrows (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Hannah Kane (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%

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James Kelcourse (R)	+	-	+	+	+	80%
William Crocker (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Joseph McKenna (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Angelo D'Emilia (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Todd Smola (R)	+	-	-	-	+	80%
Jonathan Zlotnik (D)	+	-	+	+	+	80%
John Mahoney (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
James Murphy (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Joan Meschino (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Harold Naughton, Jr. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Adrian Madaro (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Brian Murray (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Rady Mom (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Frank Moran (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Juana Matias (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Paul McMurtry (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Paul Mark (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Elizabeth Malia (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Ronald Mariano (D)	NV	-	+	+	+	60%
Joseph McGonagle, Jr. (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
William Pignatelli (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Paul Tucker (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Chynah Tyler (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Jose Tosado (D)	+	NV	+	+	+	60%
William Straus (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Theodore Speliotis (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Thomas Stanley (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Steven Ultrino (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Aaron Vega (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Bud Williams (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Thomas Walsh (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Joseph Wagner (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
RoseLee Vincent (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Alan Silvia (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Paul Schmid (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Marc Lombardo (R)	+	NV	-	-	+	60%
Denise Provost (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Alice Peisch (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%

Voting Key

+	Yea Vote
-	Nay Vote
NV	Not Voting

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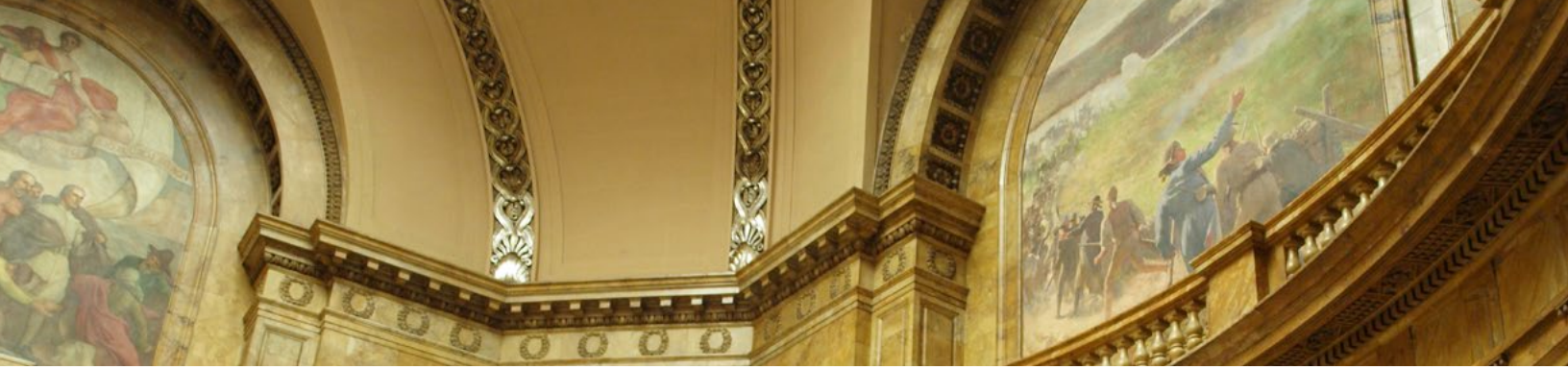


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Sarah Peake (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
James O'Day (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Jerald Parisella (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
John Rogers (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
David Rogers (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Jeffrey Sanchez (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Angelo Scaccia (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Daniel Ryan (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Byron Rushing (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Jeffrey Roy (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Shaunna O'Connell (R)	+	-	NV	NV	+	60%
Jay Kaufman (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Marjorie Decker (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Robert DeLeo (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Michael Day (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Josh Cutler (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Daniel Cullinane (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Mark Cusack (D)	+	NV	+	+	+	60%
Diana DiZoglio (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Daniel Donahue (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Jay Livingstone (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Tricia Farley-Bouvier (D)	+	NV	+	+	+	60%
Carolyn Dykema (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Michelle DuBois (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
William Driscoll (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Claire Cronin (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Edward Coppinger (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Jennifer Benson (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Paul Brodeur (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Christine Barber (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Bruce Ayers (D)	+	+	NV	+	+	60%
Brian Ashe (D)	+	NV	+	+	+	60%
Cory Atkins (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Antonio Cabral (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Daniel Cahill (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Tackey Chan (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Mike Connolly (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Gerard Cassidy (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Evandro Carvalho (D)	+	+	NV	+	+	60%

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-	Nay Vote
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Linda Campbell (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Dylan Fernandes (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Lori Ehrlich (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Kevin Honan (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Daniel Hunt (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Russell Holmes (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Kate Hogan (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Carole Fiola (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
James Arciero (D)	+	NV	+	+	+	60%
Mary Keefe (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Jack Lewis (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
David Linsky (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Stephen Kulik (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Robert Koczera (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Kay Khan (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Jonathan Hecht (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Natalie Higgins (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Carlos Gonzalez (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Kenneth Gordon (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Colleen Garry (D)	NV	-	+	+	+	60%
Solomon Goldstein-Rose (I)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Carmine Gentile (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Thomas Golden, Jr. (D)	NV	-	+	+	+	60%
Patricia Haddad (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Sean Garballey (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Denise Garlick (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
Stephan Hay (D)	+	+	+	+	+	60%
John Lawn, Jr. (D)	NV	+	+	+	+	40%
Ruth Balsler (D)	NV	+	+	+	+	40%
John Barrett (D) *(11/15/17)			+	+	+	40%
Andy Vargas (D) *(11/15/17)			+	+	+	40%
Jim Hawkins (D) *(4/11/18)			+	+	+	40%
Michael Moran (D)	NV	+	+	+	+	40%
Frank Smizik (D)	+	+	+	+	-	40%
Aaron Michlewitz (D)	NV	+	+	+	+	40%
Louis Kafka (D)	+	+	+	+	NV	40%
John Velis (D)	+	-	NV	NV	NV	40%
John Scibak (D)	NV	+	+	+	+	40%
Paul Donato (D)	NV	+	+	+	+	40%

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Scorecard | Senate

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	Score
AIM Vote Preference	-	+	-	-	+	-	+	+	100%
Viriato (Vinny) deMacedo (R)	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	75%
Bruce Tarr (R)	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	75%
Richard Ross (R)	-	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	75%
Anne Gobi (D)	-	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	63%
Donald Humason, Jr. (R)	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	63%
Patrick O'Connor (R)	+	+	-	+	+	+	+	+	63%
Ryan Fattman (R)	-	+	-	+	-	+	+	+	63%
Adam Hinds (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Barbara L'Italien (D)	NV	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Cynthia Creem (D)	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	50%
Eric Lesser (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Harriette Chandler (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
James Eldridge (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
James Welch (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Jason Lewis (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Joan Lovely (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
John Keenan (D)	+	+	+	NV	+	+	+	+	50%
Joseph Boncore (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Julian Cyr (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Karen Spiika (D)**	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	**	50%
Michael Barrett (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Michael Moore (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Michael Rodrigues (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Michael Rush (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Patricia Jehlen (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Sal DiDomenico (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Sonia Chang-Diaz (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Walter Timilty (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
William Brownsberger (D)	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	+	50%
Brendan Crighton (D) *(3/7/18)				+	+	+	+	+	38%
Cindy Friedman (D) *(7/27/17)			+	NV	+	+	+	+	38%
Dean Tran (R) *(12/20/18)				+	+	+	+	+	38%
Marc Pacheco (D)	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	38%
Mark Montigny (D)	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	38%
Michael Brady (D)	+	+	+	+	-	+	+	+	38%
Kathleen O'Connor Ives (D)	NV	+	+	+	-	+	+	NV	25%
Nicholas Collins (D) *(5/18/18)				+	-	+	+	+	25%
Paul Feeney (D) *(11/1/18)			+	+	-	+	+	+	25%

Voting Key

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** The presiding officer of the Senate traditionally does not vote on every roll call.