

REPORT CARD

2006 Grades

Includes 2006 Regular Session
Special Sessions in 2005 and 2006

<u>Dist</u>	<u>Senator</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Eval</u>
20	Charlie Ross [R]	Brandon	96
13	Willie Simmons [D]	Cleveland	52
34	Billy Thames [D]	Mize	74
21	Joseph Thomas [D]	Yazoo City	49
9	Gray Tollison [D]	Oxford	59
16	Bennie Turner [D]	West Point	48
43	Shannon Walley [D]	Leakesville	77
12	Johnnie Walls, Jr. [D]	Greenville	42
29	Richard White [R]	Terry	91
5	J. P. Wilemon, Jr. [D]	Belmont	82
18	Gloria Williams [D]	Philadelphia	38

Political *FIRSTS* from BIPEC . . .

- ✓ Numerical grading of legislators - 1980
- ✓ P-Base Study - 174 districts - 1981
- ✓ #-based employer unification - 1983
- ✓ Led employer judicial involvement - 1994
- ✓ Numerical grading SC Justices - 1996
- ✓ Unified legislative election targeting by 30 trade associations - 1999
- ✓ IMPAC's *Independent Expenditure* in Judicial Elections - 2000
- ✓ 3-race sweep - 2002 Judicial Elections

*"High scoring legislators support
economic growth and jobs."*

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"Published grades earned not given."

Details about evaluation process

What are the four performance levels?

Lawmakers are grouped into four performance levels. Each level indicates to business leaders how, in general, legislators support economic growth, jobs and other broad job-related issues.

BUSINESS CHAMPION	76 – 100
MODERATE BUSINESS SUPPORT	56 – 75
MARGINAL BUSINESS HELP	41 – 55
ANTI-BUSINESS	0 – 40

What does a performance evaluation mean?

BIPEC's performance evaluation (Eval.) is a measuring stick used to determine each legislator's business philosophy, attitude and effectiveness in supporting growth of jobs in Mississippi. Over 60 business and professional leaders participate in the rating process. Key factors of the assessment are:

- Legislator's votes on clearly identified economic principles and employer issues
- Leadership in committee and floor debates on job-related legislation
- Encouragement of other legislators to support economic growth and build coalitions

What types of votes are used in the ratings?

It is important to note that no single issue dominated BIPEC's ratings. A great deal of effort is made to ensure that the votes chosen represent a broad cross-section of employer-related issues. Votes impacting operating costs and restriction of management choices are viewed as very important. Key subject areas include:

- Government growth
- Government regulation
- Privatization of government services
- Lawsuit reduction
- Environmental protection
- labor/management issues
- incentives for job growth
- Workers Compensation
- business taxation
- government spending controls

Who is BIPEC?

BIPEC was founded in 1980 by Mississippi business leaders to provide the solid research to identify legislative candidates who have a base of business knowledge. Members of BIPEC include individuals, hundred of small and large Mississippi businesses, and more than 35 trade associations.

BIPEC represents overall employer interest in Mississippi and is not tied to one industry. It is non-partisan, not a lobbying group, and not a political action committee (PAC). BIPEC can freely research, rate and recommend business-minded individuals who will promote economic growth and Mississippi jobs without worrying about party politics or lobbying for particular issues.

House Performance

<u>Dist</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Eval</u>	<u>Dist</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Eval</u>
12	Noal Akins [R]	Oxford	71	119	Frances Fredericks [R]	Gulfport	32
17	Brian Aldridge [R]	Tupelo	82	106	Herb Frierson [R]	Poplarville	76
75	Tracy Arinder [D]	Morton	70	13	Jack Gadd [D]	Hickory Flat	58
49	Willie Bailey [D]	Greenville	28	36	David Gibbs [D]	West Point	31
8	Larry Baker [R]	Senatobia	77	43	Gale Gregory [R]	Louisville	79
74	Mark Baker [R]	Brandon	90	114	Danny Guice [R]	Ocean Springs	85
67	Earle Banks [D]	Jackson	25	56	Philip Gunn [R]	Clinton	91
92	Jim Barnett [R]	Brookhaven	65	6	E. Forrest Hamilton [R]	Olive Branch	73
23	Jim Beckett [R]	Bruce	85	109	Frank Hamilton [R]	Hurley	81
116	Leonard Bentz [R]	Biloxi	91	41	Esther Harrison [D]	Columbus	28
57	Ed Blackmon [D]	Canton	31	50	John Hines [D]	Greenville	26
24	Sid Bondurant [D]	Grenada	83	16	Steve Holland [D]	Plantersville	34
44	C. Scott Bounds [D]	Philadelphia	86	76	Greg Holloway, Sr. [D]	Hazlehurst	35
110	Billy Broomfield [D]	Moss Point	32	81	Steve Horne [R]	Meridian	57
66	Cecil Brown [D]	Jackson	50	46	Bobby Howell [R]	Kilmichael	77
5	Kelvin Buck [D]	Holly Springs	41	30	Robert Huddleston [D]	Sumner	20
9	Clara Burnett [D]	Tunica	28	91	Joey Hudson [D]	Monticello	60
68	Credell Calhoun [D]	Jackson	31	118	Roger Ishee [R]	Gulfport	77
100	Virginia Carlton [R]	Columbia	91	117	Michael Janus [R]	Biloxi	85
37	Gary Chism [R]	Columbus	90	7	Wanda Jennings [R]	Southaven	79
47	Bryant Clark [D]	Pickens	35	94	Robert Johnson [D]	Natchez	35
69	Alyce Clarke [D]	Jackson	34	86	Sherra Lane - [D]	Waynesboro	36
96	Angela Cockerham [D]	Magnolia	30	104	Mike Lott [R]	Petal	88
29	Linda F. Coleman [D]	Mound Bayou	39	45	Bennett Malone [D]	Carthage	50
65	Mary Coleman [D]	Jackson	38	20	J. B. Markham [D]	Grnwd Sprngs	43
122	J. P. Compretta [D]	Bay St. Louis	58	58	Rita Martinson [R]	Madison	94
1	Rickey Cummings [D]	Iuka	37	54	Chester Masterson [R]	Vicksburg	77
102	Lee Jarrell Davis [R]	Hattiesburg	79	40	Ted Mayhall [R]	Southaven	88
93	Dirk Dedeaux [D]	Perkinston	49	25	John Mayo [D]	Clarksdale	45
64	Bill Denny [R]	Jackson	93	10	Warner McBride [D]	Courtland	65
42	Reecy Dickson [D]	Macon	26	3	Billy McCoy [D]	Rienzi	35
79	Bo Eaton [D]	Taylorsville	33	85	Chuck Middleton [D]	Port Gibson	28
73	Jim Ellington [R]	Raymond	85	21	Bill Miles [D]	Fulton	43
38	Tyrone Ellis [D]	Starkville	42	97	Sam Mims [R]	McComb	87
26	Chuck Espy [D]	Clarksdale	38	53	Bobby Moak [D]	Bogue Chitto	35
70	James Evans [D]	Jackson	27	15	Pat Montgomery [D]	Pontotoc	41
101	Joey Fillingane [R]	Sumrall	88	60	John Moore [R]	Brandon	95
55	George Flaggs [D]	Vicksburg	50	11	Leonard Morris [D]	Batesville	57
72	Erik Fleming [D]	Jackson	27	2	Harvey Moss [D]	Corinth	47
108	Mark Formby [R]	Picayune	94	98	David Myers [D]	McComb	32
19	Jamie Franks, Jr. [D]	Mooreville	27	78	Billy Nicholson [D]	Little Rock	70

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Senate Performance

<u>Dist</u>	<u>Representative</u>	<u>Town</u>	<u>Eval</u>
28	David Norquist [D]	Cleveland	47
107	Deryk Parker [D]	Lucedale	72
115	Randall Patterson [D]	Biloxi	73
121	Diane Peranich [D]	Pass Christian	32
32	Willie Perkins [D]	Greenwood	27
112	John Read [R]	Gautier	83
35	Dannie Reed [R]	Ackerman	80
71	John Reeves [R]	Jackson	64
33	Tommy Reynolds [D]	Charleston	33
84	Eric Robinson [R]	Quitman	82
63	Walter Robinson [D]	Bolton	36
14	Margaret Rogers [D]	New Albany	67
61	Ray Rogers [R]	Pearl	80
77	Clint Rotenberry [R]	Mendenhall	78
80	Omeria Scott [D]	Laurel	30
89	Bobby Shows [D]	Ellisville	69
120	Jim Simpson, Jr. [R]	Pass Christian	93
59	Clayton Smith [R]	Brandon	84
27	Ferr Smith [D]	Carthage	31
39	Jeff Smith [D]	Columbus	80
83	Greg Snowden [R]	Meridian	89
88	Gary Staples [R]	Laurel	86
48	Mary Ann Stevens [D]	West	76
51	Rufus Straughter [D]	Belzoni	28
87	Johnny Stringer [D]	Montrose	52
22	Preston Sullivan [D]	Okolona	48
31	Sara Thomas [D]	Indianola	28
11	Jerry Turner [R]	Baldwyn	80
95	Jessica Upshaw [R]	Diamondhead	84
99	Robert Vince [D]	Sandy Hook	61
105	Shaun Walley [D]	Leakesville	53
4	Greg Ward [D]	Ripley	60
90	Joe Warren [D]	Mt. Olive	46
103	Percy Watson [D]	Hattiesburg	38
62	Tom Weathersby [R]	Florence	69
111	Carmel Wells-Smith [R]	Pascagoula	84
52	Tommy Woods [R]	Byhalia	79
82	Charles Young [D]	Meridian	35
113	Hank Zuber [R]	Ocean Springs	84

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40	Sidney Albritton [R]	Picayune	82
17	Terry Brown [R]	Columbus	89
3	Nickey Browning [D]	Pontotoc	80
7	Hob Bryan [D]	Amory	58
31	Terry Burton [R]	Newton	88
38	Kelvin Butler [D]	Magnolia	69
33	Videt Carmichael [R]	Meridian	87
23	Mike Chaney [R]	Vicksburg	95
22	Eugene Clarke [R]	Hollandale	89
46	Scottie Cuevas [D]	Pass Christian	81
1	Doug Davis [R]	Hernando	91
48	Deborah Dawkins [D]	Pass Christian	45
37	Bob Dearing [D]	Natchez	82
2	Ralph Doxey [R]	Holly Springs	92
19	Merle Flowers [R]	Southaven	90
27	Hillman Frazier [D]	Jackson	52
50	Tommy Gollott [D]	Biloxi	80
8	Jack Gordon, Jr. [D]	Okolona	77
28	Alice Harden [D]	Jackson	45
49	Billy Hewes, III [R]	Gulfport	95
26	John Horhn [D]	Jackson	50
39	Cindy Hyde-Smith [D]	Brookhaven	85
15	Gary Jackson [R]	French Camp	82
11	Robert Jackson [D]	Marks	53
32	Sampson Jackson [D]	Preston	54
24	David Jordan [D]	Greenwood	42
44	Tom King [R]	Petal	90
30	Dean Kirby [R]	Pearl	96
47	Ezell Lee [D]	Picayune	76
35	Perry Lee [R]	Mendenhall	86
4	Travis Little [R]	Corinth	84
10	Nolan Mettetal [D]	Sardis	84
25	J. Walter Michel [R]	Jackson	92
52	Tommy Moffatt [R]	Gautier	93
45	J. Ed Morgan [R]	Hattiesburg	91
6	Alan Nunnelee [R]	Tupelo	86
42	Stacey Pickering [R]	Soso	91
36	Lynn Posey [D]	Union Church	79
51	Tommy Robertson [R]	Moss Point	96