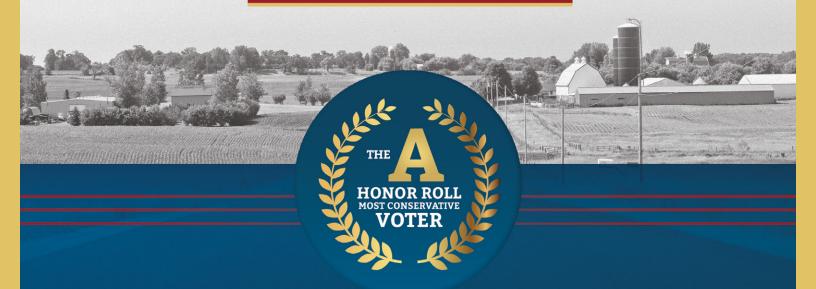


# 2021 MINNESOTA SCORECARD

**2021 LEGISLATIVE SESSION** 

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DISTRICT 55A
State Representative



JEREMY
MUNSON
DISTRICT 23B
State Representative

# ABOUT THE SCORECARD

Action 4 Liberty rates bills positively when they expand individual freedoms and reduce government control. We annotate a legislator's vote that are in agreement with our position as a "+". When a legislator votes in opposition to the freedom position, we mark the vote with a "-". If the legislator was absent for the vote, we annotate it with "A" and that vote does not count towards their overall score.

<u>Scores above 90% would be considered an "A" grade</u>. We expect all Republicans to be at this level which would represent a commitment to the conservative values they profess to have on the campaign trail. Scores below 60% are failing grades.

We separate the presentation of scores between Democrats and Republicans for several reasons. Democrat legislators generally do not profess the same belief in expanding individual freedoms and reducing government control as we do. Their scores can be somewhat misleading. A Democrat legislator might vote for our position on a bill, not based on the same principles, but because it does not grow government enough.

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Surprised by the low scores on this scorecard? What differentiates our scorecard from other rating organizations (Washington D.C. based groups) is that we score omnibus bills. Other organizations purposely ignore those votes so they can booster the scores of poor voting Republicans. We feel it's critically important to score the bills that actually grow government by billions of dollar and reduce our freedoms.



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## NOTES ON THE 2021 SESSION

Rep. Erik Mortensen was the top
voter in the Legislature, scoring a
perfect 100%. He also was the author of
the Never Again Bill and the Stop Vaccine
Mandates legislation — our signature
pieces of legislation for 2021. The worst
voting Repulicans in the House were
Keith Franke (8%) and Tony Jurgens (19%).

For the fourth straight year in a row, no state senator had a passing grade on our scorecard. Majority Leader Paul Gazelka led the Republican Senate Caucus further to the left in his tenure, voting for more bloated government.

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More importantly, Senate Republicans refused to give the Never Again Bill a vote. Action 4 Liberty called on the Legislature to not pass a budget until the Never Again Bill became law. This would've ensured that Governor Walz could never shutdown our economy or lock us in our homes again. But Senate Republicans passed a bloated new budget that fully funded Governor Walz' agencies.

In fact, the budget that passed in June, increased Attorney General Keith Ellison's funds by a whopping 17%.

Ellison's office was used by Walz' Dept. of Health to sue our small business owners who opened their doors during the illegal Walz shutdowns.

After the legislative session ended, tyrannical politicians started pushing vaccine mandates. **President Joe Biden illegally used executive orders** to force a vaccine mandate on private businesses (which was later overturned by the U.S. Supreme Court).

The Minnesota Legislature designated \$250 Million for frontline worker pay during the regular session, but were not able to pass the appropriations bill before they adjourned in June. So there was talk that Governor Walz would call on the Legislature to convene for a Special Session to pass the bill. Action 4 Liberty demanded that the bill not pass unless a **Stop Vaccine Mandates Amendment** was attached to it. The Special Session never got called.

# 2021 VOTE DESCRIPTIONS

Bill Title	Chamber	Description	Our position
Omnibus agriculture finance and policy bill (SF958)	Both	Big government policies for agricultural programs, grants, pesticides, farmed Cervidae, loan programs, food handlers, and food. Extends Farmer-Lender Mediation Act.	Against
Omnibus public safety bill (HF63)	Both	Increases appropriations for government departments without significant reforms.	Against
Omnibus health and human services bill ( <b>HF33</b> )	Both	Increases costs and coverage of government assistance healthcare. Establishes biennial budget for health and human services.	Against
Omnibus legacy finance bill (HF13)	Both	Spends tax money on wasteful government projects like trails, arts and cultural items that could be done in the private sector.	Against
Omnibus transportation bill (HF10)	Both	Establishes transportation budget; authorizes sale and issuance of more debt; establishes new studies and committees and task forces.	Against
Omnibus tax bill <b>(HF9)</b>	Both	The bill violates the single subject rule. It modifies taxes and tax credits. Authorizes new local taxes. Increases budget reserve. Modifies and provides appropriations to various committees and task forces. Also, it provides new powers to Health Commission on public health services and/or emergency powers.	Against
Omnibus employment and economic development bill/ Minneapolis Bailout Bill (SF9)	Both	Grows government by funding Departments of Employment and Econ Development, Bureau of Mediation Services, and Workers' Compensation Court of Appeals. Establishes Main Street Economic Revitalization Loan Program and Main Street Covid 19 Relief grants. This was the Minneapolis bailout bill.	Against
Omnibus agriculture bill (HF8)	Both	Increases government spending in Department of Agriculture, Board of Animal Health, Agricultural Utilization Research Institute, and Office of Broadband Development. Creates new government program: Dairy profitability enhancement teams for dairy farmers.	Against
Omnibus higher education bill (HF7)	Both	Provides more funding for failed colleges and universities. Appropriates money and starts new pilot program: "Aspiring Teachers of Color Scholarship".	Against
Omnibus housing finance bill (HF4)	Both	Spends taxpayer money on the Minnesota Housing Finance Agency. Establishes a task force on shelter, and appropriates money.	Against
Omnibus education bill (HF2)	Both	Increases spending for government education system that is failing Minnesota children; no significant reforms that allow for school choice.	Against
Energy Conservation and Optimization Act of 2021 (HF164)	Both	Creates new government programs for energy conservation. Adds regulations and incentives to "go more green." Regulations on the energy industry are bad for the economy and stifle innovation.	Against
State government policy provisions modifications (HF1952)	Both	This bill establishes a legislative coordinating commission for the politicians and government employees to dictate bills and resolutions instead of their constituents and citizens. New staff and funding is provided to the Auditor's office and funds loans and investments to businesses that have become corrupted by overreaching union leaders.	Against
Price gouging (HF844)	House	Prohibits free market pricing during emergencies and sets new penalties. This is a socialist approach of price setting by government forces.	Against
Pay History Prohibition (HF403)	House	An unnecessary regulation that prohibits employers from inquiring about past pay of prospective employees.	Against
Never Again Bill, Amendment to HF1952 (A21-017A)	House	Known as the "Never Again" Bill. Governor's unilateral power to declare emergency repealed. Requires 2/3 vote of Legislature to declare emergency. A Citizens Bill of Rights for Emergencies is established.	For
Voter ID (SF173)	Senate	Requires ID in order to vote and creates a new form of ID, the "voter identification card" which costs no money to obtain.	For

### 2021 MINNESOTA REPUBLICAN SENATE SCORECARD

Senator	Party	District	2021 Score	Lifetime Score	SF958	HF63	HF33	HF13	HF10	НЕ9	SF9	HF8	HF7	HF4	HF2	HF164	HF1952	SF173
Jim Abeler	R	35	7%	18%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
<b>Bruce Anderson</b>	R	29	14%	24%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+
Michelle Benson	R	31	21%	28%	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+
Roger Chamberlain	R	38	14%	21%	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Julia Coleman	R	47	7%	7%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Gary Dahms	R	16	7%	21%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Gene Dornink	R	27	7%	7%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Rich Draheim	R	20	14%	19%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+
Zach Duckworth	R	58	7%	7%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Justin Eichorn	R	5	23%	27%	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	Α	-	+	-	+
Paul Gazelka	R	9	7%	17%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Mike Goggin	R	21	23%	22%	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	Α	-	-	+
Karin Housley	R	39	7%	20%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Jeff Howe	R	13	29%	35%	-	-	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+
Bill Ingebrigtsen	R	8	14%	23%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+
John Jasinski	R	24	7%	18%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Mark Johnson	R	1	7%	27%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Mary Kiffmeyer	R	30	15%	24%	-	-	-	-	-	Α	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+
Mark Koran	R	32	14%	22%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+
Andrew Lang	R	17	7%	20%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Warren Limmer	R	34	7%	19%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Andrew Mathews	R	15	14%	27%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	+
Jeremy Miller	R	28	7%	15%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Carla Nelson	R	26	7%	19%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Scott Newman	R	18	14%	23%	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
David Osmek	R	33	31%	34%	-	+	+	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	Α	-	-	+
Eric Pratt	R	55	14%	21%	-	-	-	-	-	+	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Jason Rarick	R	11	7%	11%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Julie Rosen	R	23	7%	19%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Carrie Ruud	R	10	7%	17%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
David Senjem	R	25	7%	17%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Paul Utke	R	2	7%	27%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Bill Weber	R	22	7%	18%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Torrey Westrom	R	12	7%	20%	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	+
Avg. Republican Senator			12%	20%														

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