

# 2007 SENATE

NAME	1	2
Alting	✓	
Arnold	O	
Becker	✓	✓
Boots	✓	
Bray	✓	✓
Breaux		
Broden		
Deig	✓	
Delph	✓	✓
Dillon	✓	✓
Drozda	✓	✓
Errington		
Ford	✓	✓
Gard	✓	✓
Heinold	✓	
Hershman	✓	
Howard		
Hume	✓	
Jackman	✓	
Kenley	✓	
Kruse	✓	✓
Lanane		
Landske	✓	
Lawson	✓	
Lewis	✓	✓
Long	✓	
Lubbers	✓	✓
Meeks, R.	✓	
Merritt	✓	
Miller	✓	✓
Mishler	✓	✓
Mrvan	✓	
Nugent	✓	
Paul	✓	
Riegsecker	✓	
Rogers		
Simpson		
Sipes		
Skinner	✓	
Smith	E	
Steele	✓	✓
Tallian		
Walker	✓	✓
Waltz	✓	
Waterman	✓	
Weatherwax	✓	
Wyss	✓	✓
Young, M.	✓	✓
Young, R.	✓	
Zakas	✓	✓

## Description of SENATE VOTES

### 1. Protecting Marriage (SRJ 7) 2007

In order to protect marriage between one man and one woman and to stop the courts from creating same sex civil unions Senate Joint Resolution 7 must be adopted to the Indiana Constitution. The amendment was adopted by the Senate and the House in 2005 and must be adopted again in order for the voters to vote in November, 2008. While the Senate adopted SJR 7 in 2007 unfortunately the House did not vote on SJR 7. There will be another attempt in 2008. The Senate voted on February 12, 2007, by a vote of 39-10 to approve SJR 7.

### 2. Gambling (HB 1835) 2007

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### How To Read CHART

✓ **Pro-Family  
Pro-Business  
Pro-Church**

? **Did Not Vote**

E **Legislator  
Excused  
From Voting**

S **Speaker of House  
Not Required to  
Vote; No Vote Cast**

O **Individual Not a  
Member of the  
Legislature at the  
Time of the Vote**



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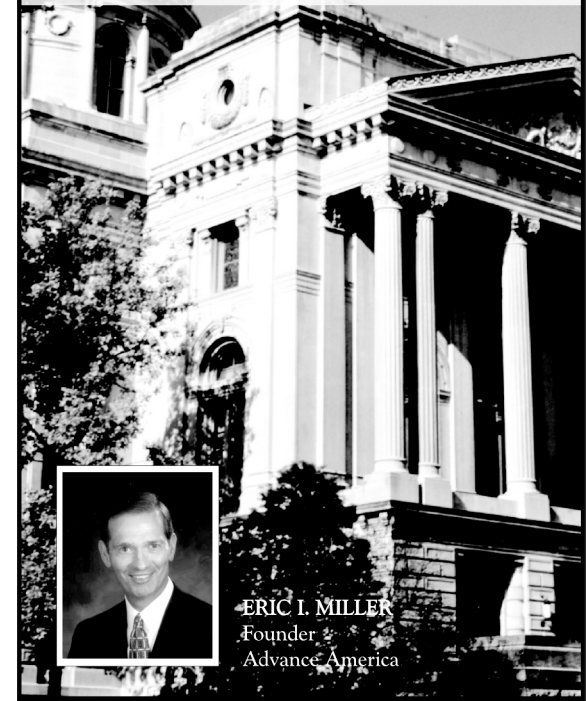
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# 2007 VOTING RECORD

INDIANA GENERAL ASSEMBLY

How Your Elected Legislators Voted on  
Key Family, Business and Church Issues



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# Description of HOUSE VOTES

## 1. Hate Crimes (SB 45) 2007

An amendment to Senate Bill 45 would have created special protection for homosexuals and cross dressers. The amendment would have established a very dangerous precedent because it would create two classes of victims and punish someone more because of their alleged thoughts. The amendment failed by a vote of 46-50 on April 9, 2007.

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## 3. Property Tax Repeal (SB 500) 2007

Representative Jeff Thompson offered an amendment to Senate Bill 500 to set up the Property Tax Elimination Fund. This was a positive step in the effort led by Advance America to permanently repeal property taxes. As the state does well financially, money would have flowed into the Property Tax Elimination Fund to help provide revenue when property taxes are repealed. The amendment was adopted on April 9, 2007 by a vote of 76-21.

## 4. Tax Increases (HB 1007) 2007

The bill would have permitted a county to impose an additional 1% county adjusted gross income tax rate or a county option income tax rate on individuals and corporations to provide property tax relief and additional revenue for the taxing units in the county. This would have resulted in a potential tax increase of over \$400 million! Additionally, the bill provided no property tax relief for 2007 property taxes which are estimated to increase by 24%. The bill failed by a vote of 49-48 on February 13, 2007.

## 5. Mental Health Screening (SB 566) 2007

Representative Jackie Walorski offered an amendment to Senate Bill 566 which would have prevented the development of a state sponsored effort to conduct mental health screenings of children. Various agencies of state government are working on a plan which could lead to the mental health screening of all children in the State of Indiana from birth through age 22 for potential social, emotional, behavioral and mental health problems. This would affect hundreds of thousands of children in private, public and homeschool settings. This is an improper role for government. The amendment was defeated by a vote of 38-60 on April 9, 2007.

# 2007 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NAME	1	2	3	4	5
Austin			✓		
Avery		✓			
Bardon			✓		
Battles			✓		
Bauer			S		
Behning	✓	✓	✓	E	
Bell	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Bischoff	✓		✓		
Borders	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Borrer	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Bosma	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Brown, C.					
Brown, T.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Buck	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Buell	✓		✓	✓	✓
Burton	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Candelaria Reardon			✓		
Cheatham	✓		✓		
Cheney		✓			
Cherry	E		✓	✓	✓
Cochran	✓				
Crawford					
Crooks					
Crouch	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Davis	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Day		✓			
Dembowski			✓		
Denbo	?		✓		
Dermody	✓		✓	✓	✓
Dickinson					
Dobis			✓		
Dodge	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Duncan			✓	✓	
Dvorak		✓	✓	✓	
Eberhart	✓		✓	✓	✓
Elrod		✓	✓	✓	
Espich	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Foley	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Friend	✓		✓	✓	✓
Frizzell	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Fry			✓	✓	
GiaQuinta			✓		
Goodin	E		E		E
Grubb			✓		
Gutwein	✓		✓	✓	✓
Harris, E.					
Harris, T.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Herrell		E	✓		?
Hinkle	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Hoy		✓			

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Kersey			✓		
Klinker			✓		
Knollman	✓		✓	✓	✓
Koch	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Kuzman					
Lawson					
Lehe	✓		✓	✓	✓
Leonard	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Lutz	✓		✓	✓	
Mays			✓		
McClain	✓		✓	✓	✓
Micon					
Moses			✓		
Murphy	✓		✓	✓	✓
Neese	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Niezgodski			✓		
Noe	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Orentlicher			✓		
Oxley			✓		
Pelath					
Pflum			✓		
Pierce		✓			
Pond	✓	✓	✓	E	✓
Porter					
Reske					
Richardson	✓	✓	✓	E	
Ripley	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Robertson	✓		✓		
Ruppel	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Saunders	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Smith, M.	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Smith, V.					
Soliday	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Stemler	✓	✓	✓		
Stevenson			✓		
Stilwell					
Stutzman	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Summers					
Thomas		✓	✓	✓	✓
Thompson	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tincher	?	✓	✓	✓	✓
Torr	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Tyler			✓		
Turner	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Ulmer	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Van Haften					
Walorski	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Welch		✓	✓		
Whetstone	✓		E	✓	✓
Wolkins	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓