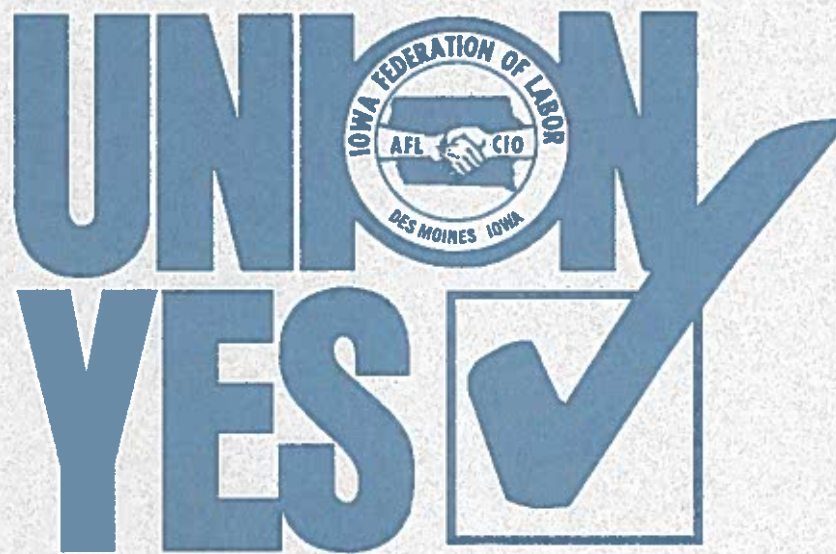


IOWA FEDERATION OF LABOR AFL-CIO



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Samuel Gompers said it best when he described labor's political mission nearly a century ago: "Stand faithfully by our friends and elect them; oppose our enemies and defeat them, whether they be candidates for President, for Congress, or other offices, whether executive, legislative or judicial."

Not words, but the record, is the measure of how we separate labor's allies from our adversaries. This voting record by no means covers all the issues that the Iowa Federation of Labor, AFL-CIO dealt with during the 2003 Legislative session. It does, however, record legislators' votes on a number of key issues of concern to union members and their families and will help Iowa trade unionists determine whether their elected representatives support labor's progressive agenda or have taken their stand with those who want to keep working people down.

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Senate Issues – 2003

1. VOTING CHANGES

(HF 614)

Makes changes necessary to comply with the federal "Help America Vote Act," but would also make it more difficult for Iowans to vote by closing polls earlier, limiting absentee ballot use, and requiring a photo ID every time you vote.

IFL position was "NO."

Senate Vote: Passed 29 yes – 20 no

Vetoed by Governor

2. REGULATORY CHANGES

(SF 344)

Cuts Workers' Compensation benefits for twice-injured workers and makes it nearly impossible for consumers to win punitive damages in lawsuits over faulty products or dangerous behavior. Also restricts Unemployment Insurance eligibility for workers; allows businesses to voluntarily self-audit for worker safety; prohibits the use of Project Labor Agreements on public works projects; prohibits the DNR from requiring permits for indoor air sources.

IFL position was "NO."

Senate Vote: Passed 26 yes – 24 no

Amended by House; portions incorporated into HF 692; item vetoed by Governor

3. PUBLIC EMPLOYEE COLLECTIVE BARGAINING

(SF 313)

Limits the scope of public sector bargaining and requires comparison of public employee compensation to that of both private sector and other public sector employees; eliminates arbitrator consideration of the power of the public employer to levy taxes and appropriate funds.

IFL position was "NO."

Senate Vote: Passed 26 yes – 22 no

Not considered by House

4. SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE

(SF 445)

Establishes a school infrastructure financing program by providing for the sharing of revenues from local option sales taxes for school infrastructure purposes and allowing those revenues to be used for either school infrastructure or to replace property tax.

IFL position was "NO."

Senate Vote: Passed 33 yes – 17 no

Passed by House; signed by Governor

5. UNEMPLOYMENT SURCHARGE

(S-3384 to SF 458)

Extends the Unemployment Surcharge paid by employers to fund rural Workforce Development offices

IFL position was "YES."

Senate Vote: Failed 21 yes – 28 no

Incorporated into HF 692; signed by Governor

6. GOVERNMENT REINVENTION

(SF 453)

Cuts \$128 million from the state budget, including \$70 million in cuts to local governments, \$20 million in cuts to AEAs, and \$10 million in cuts to child welfare; allows designation of charter agencies that will be exempt from certain rules and regulations in exchange for reducing their budgets by 10%.

IFL position was "NO."

Senate Vote: Passed 26 yes – 23 no

Passed by House; signed by Governor

7. ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT/TAXES/REGULATION BILL

(HF 692)

Contains provisions for a \$503 million pay-as-you-go economic development fund, income tax cuts that shift more of the burden onto low-and middle-income taxpayers, and changes in business regulations that hurt workers and consumers.

IFL position was "NO."

Senate Vote: Passed 29 yes – 21 no

Item vetoed by Governor

8. PUNITIVE DAMAGES

(S-3394 to HF 692)

Strikes provision that eliminates consumers' ability to sue for punitive damages.

IFL position was "YES."

Senate Vote: Failed 23 yes – 27 no

9. WORKERS COMPENSATION

(S-3395 to HF 692)

Strikes provision that cuts workers' comp benefits for twice-injured workers.

IFL position was "YES."

Senate Vote: Failed 22 yes – 28 no

10. UTILITY SALES TAX

(S-3393 to HF 692)

Strikes a five-year delay of the utility tax phase-out.

IFL position was "YES."

Senate Vote: Failed 21 yes – 29 no

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Angelo	Jeff	R	48	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	2%
Beall	Daryl	D	25	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	9	1	0	90%	90%
Behn	Jerry	R	24	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	5%
Black	Dennis	D	21	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	9	1	0	90%	73%
Boettger	Nancy	R	29	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	5%
Bolkcom	Joe	D	39	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	10	0	0	100%	95%
Brunkhorst	Bob	R	9	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	9%
Connolly	Mike	D	14	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	9	1	0	90%	93%
Courtney	Thomas	D	44	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	9	1	0	90%	90%
Dearden	Dick	D	34	R	R	R	R	R	A	R	R	R	R	9	0	1	90%	93%
Dotzler, Jr.	Bill	D	11	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	10	0	0	100%	91%
Drake	Richard	R	40	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	23%
Dvorsky	Bob	D	15	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	10	0	0	100%	90%
Fraise	Eugene	D	46	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	9	1	0	90%	83%
Gaskill	Thurman	R	6	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	6%
Gronstal	Mike	D	50	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	10	0	0	100%	90%
Hatch	Jack	D	33	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	10	0	0	100%	93%
Holveck	Jack	D	32	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	10	0	0	100%	89%
Horn	Wally	D	17	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	10	0	0	100%	90%
Hosch	Julie	R	16	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	0%
Houser	Hubert	R	49	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	6%
Iverson, Jr.	Stewart	R	5	W	W	W	R	A	W	W	W	W	W	1	8	1	10%	9%
Johnson	David	R	3	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	4%
Kettering	Steve	R	26	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	6%
Kibbie	Jack	D	4	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	9	1	0	90%	83%

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Kramer	Mary	R	30	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	19%
Kreiman	Keith	D	47	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	9	1	0	90%	83%
Lamberti	Jeff	R	35	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	1	9	0	10%	10%
Larson	Charles, Jr	R	19	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	1	9	0	10%	6%
Lundby	Mary	R	18	W	R	R	W	W	W	W	R	R	W	4	6	0	40%	31%
McCoy	Matt	D	31	A	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	9	0	1	90%	76%
McKibben	Larry	R	22	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	6%
McKinley	Paul	R	36	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	6%
Miller	David	R	45	W	R	W	W	W	R	W	R	W	W	3	7	0	30%	9%
Putney	John	R	20	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	0%
Quirnbach	Herman	D	23	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	10	0	0	100%	100%
Ragan	Amanda	D	7	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	9	1	0	90%	93%
Redfern	Don	R	10	W	R	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	2	8	0	20%	21%
Rehberg	Kitty	R	12	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	W	1	9	0	10%	7%
Schuerer	Neal	R	38	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	1	9	0	10%	6%
Seng	Joe	D	43	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	9	1	0	90%	92%
Seymour	James	R	28	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	0%
Shull	Doug	R	37	W	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	1	9	0	10%	11%
Sievers	Bryan	R	42	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	0%
Stewart	Roger	D	13	R	R	A	W	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	1	1	80%	80%
Tinsman	Maggie	R	41	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	1	9	0	10%	25%
Veenstra	Ken	R	2	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	10	0	0%	7%
Warnstadt	Steve	D	1	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	10	0	0	100%	84%
Wieck	Ron	R	27	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	W	1	9	0	10%	10%
Zieman	Mark	R	8	W	W	A	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	9	1	0%	6%

House Issues – 2003

1. VOTING CHANGES

(HF 614)

Makes changes necessary to comply with the federal "Help America Vote Act," but would also make it more difficult for Iowans to vote by closing polls earlier, limiting absentee ballot use, and requiring a photo ID every time you vote.

IFL position was "NO."

House Vote: Passed 53 yes – 44 no

Passed by Senate; vetoed by Governor

2. REGULATORY CHANGES

(SF 344)

Eliminates many anti-worker provisions passed in the Senate version, but still cuts Workers' Compensation benefits for twice-injured workers and makes it nearly impossible for consumers to win punitive damages in lawsuits over faulty products or dangerous behavior.

IFL position was "NO."

House Vote: Passed 53 yes – 46 no

Amended and incorporated into HF 692; item vetoed by Governor

3. SCHOOL INFRASTRUCTURE FINANCE

(SF 445)

Establishes a school infrastructure financing program by providing for the sharing of revenues from local option sales taxes for school infrastructure purposes and allowing those revenues to be used for either school infrastructure or to replace property tax.

IFL position was "NO."

House Vote: Passed 67 yes – 32 no

Passed Senate; signed by Governor

4. UNEMPLOYMENT SURCHARGE

(H-1273 to SF 433)

Extends the Unemployment Surcharge paid by employers to fund rural Workforce Development offices and provides for long-term funding by setting up a reserve fund; expands eligibility for unemployment benefits.

IFL position was "YES."

House Vote: Failed 54 no – 44 yes

Portions incorporated into HF 692; signed by Governor

5. SALES TAX ON FOUNDRY EQUIPMENT & MATERIALS

(HF 654)

Exempts sand handling equipment, core and mold making equipment, and materials used in the mold making process from sales and use taxes, providing refunds retroactive to July 1, 1997.

IFL position was "NO."

House Vote: Passed 67 yes – 31 no

Amended by Senate; signed by Governor

6. GOVERNMENT REINVENTION

(SF 453)

Cuts \$128 million from the state budget, including \$70 million in cuts to local governments, \$20 million in cuts to AEAs, and \$10 million in cuts to child welfare; allows designation of charter agencies that will be exempt from certain rules and regulations in exchange for reducing their budgets by 10%.

IFL position was "NO."

House Vote: Passed 51 yes – 47 no

Passed Senate, signed by Governor

7. STATE INCOME TAX

(HF 701)

Cuts state income tax by a budget-breaking \$684 million with most of the benefit going to the wealthy; makes tax cuts contingent on passing a Constitutional Amendment requiring a 60% supermajority to raise taxes.

IFL position was "NO."

House Vote: Passed 51 yes – 47 no

Amended by Senate and incorporated into HF 692; item vetoed by Governor

8. PROPERTY & INCOME TAX/REGULATION/VALUES FUND OMNIBUS

(HF 692)

Contains provisions for a \$503 million pay-as-you-go economic development fund, income tax cuts that shift more of the burden onto low-and middle-income taxpayers, and changes in business regulations that hurt workers and consumers.

IFL position was "NO."

House Vote: Passed 51 yes – 43 no

Item vetoed by Governor

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Alons	Dwayne	R	4	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	4%
Arnold	Richard	R	72	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	13%
Baudler	Clet	R	58	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	4%
Bell	Paul	D	41	R	R	W	R	W	R	R	R	6	2	0	75%	78%
Berry	Deborah	D	22	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	7	1	0	88%	88%
Boal	Carmine	R	70	W	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	1	7	0	13%	6%
Boddicker	Dan	R	79	W	W	A	W	W	W	W	W	0	7	1	0%	7%
Bogges	Effie Lee	R	97	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	A	0	7	1	0%	6%
Bukta	Polly	D	26	R	R	W	R	A	R	A	R	5	1	2	63%	82%
Carroll	Danny	R	75	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	6%
Chambers	Royd	R	5	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%
Cphoon	Dennis	D	88	R	R	W	R	W	R	R	A	5	2	1	63%	91%
Connors	John	D	68	R	R	R	R	R	R	A	A	6	0	2	75%	86%
Dandekar	Swati	D	36	R	R	R	W	W	R	R	R	6	2	0	75%	75%
Davitt	Mark	D	74	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	7	1	0	88%	88%
De Boef	Betty	R	76	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	6%
Dennis	Ervin	R	19	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%
Dix	Bill	R	17	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	1	7	0	13%	8%
Dolecheck	Cecil	R	96	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	6%
Drake	Jack	R	57	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	8%
Eichhorn	George	R	9	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	1	7	0	13%	14%
Elgin	Jeff	R	37	W	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	1	7	0	13%	8%
Fallon	Ed	D	66	R	R	R	A	R	R	R	R	7	0	1	88%	86%
Foege	Ro	D	29	A	R	R	R	R	R	R	A	6	0	2	75%	86%
Ford	Wayne	D	65	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	82%
Freeman	Mary Lou	R	52	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	W	1	7	0	13%	15%
Frevert	Marcella	D	7	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	A	6	1	1	75%	83%
Gaskill	Mary	D	93	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	7	1	0	88%	88%
Gipp	Chuck	R	16	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	9%
Granzow	Polly	R	44	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%
Greimann	Jane	D	45	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	93%
Greiner	Sandy	R	89	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	9%
Hahn	James	R	80	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	6%

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Hansen	Brad	R	100	A	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	7	1	0%	4%
Hanson	Dell	R	39	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%
Heaton	Dave	R	91	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	9%
Heddens	Lisa	D	46	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	100%
Hoffman	Clarence	R	55	W	W	W	A	W	W	W	W	0	7	1	0%	4%
Hogg	Robert	D	38	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	100%
Horbach	Lance	R	40	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	4%
Hunter	Bruce	D	62	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	100%
Huseman	Daniel	R	53	W	W	W	W	A	W	W	W	0	7	1	0%	6%
Huser	Geri	D	42	A	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	6	1	1	75%	67%
Hutter	Joe	R	82	W	W	R	W	W	R	W	W	2	6	0	25%	25%
Jacobs	Libby	R	60	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	6%
Jenkins	Willard	R	20	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	4%
Jochum	Pam	D	27	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	88%
Jones	Gerald	R	98	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	5%
Klemme	Ralph	R	3	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	9%
Kramer	Kent	R	69	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%
Kuhn	Mark	D	14	R	A	W	R	R	R	R	R	6	1	1	75%	88%
Kurtenbach	James	R	10	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%
Lalk	David	R	18	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	1	7	0	13%	13%
Lensing	Vicki	D	78	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	97%
Lukan	Steven	R	32	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%
Lykam	Jim	D	85	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	7	1	0	88%	98%
Maddox	Gene	R	59	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	1	7	0	13%	19%
Manternach	Gene	R	31	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	6%
Mascher	Mary	D	77	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	90%
McCarthy	Kevin	D	67	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	100%
Mertz	Dolores	D	8	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	7	1	0	88%	60%
Miller	Helen	D	49	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	7	1	0	88%	88%
Murphy	Pat	D	28	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	88%
Myers	Richard	D	30	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	85%
Oldson	Jo	D	61	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	100%
Olson	Donovan	D	48	R	R	W	R	W	R	R	R	6	2	0	75%	75%
Olson	Steven	R	83	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%

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Paulsen	Kraig	R	35	W	W	R	W	W	W	R	W	2	6	0	25%	25%
Petersen	Janet	D	64	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	7	1	0	88%	81%
Quirk	Brian	D	15	R	R	W	R	W	R	R	R	6	2	0	75%	72%
Raecker	Scott	R	63	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	6%
Rants	Christopher	R	54	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	7%
Rasmussen	Daniel	R	23	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%
Rayhons	Henry	R	11	W	W	W	W	W	W	R	R	2	6	0	25%	9%
Reasoner	Michael	D	95	R	R	W	R	W	R	R	R	6	2	0	75%	75%
Roberts	Rod	R	51	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	6%
Sands	Thomas	R	87	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%
Schickel	Bill	R	13	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	W	1	7	0	13%	13%
Shoultz	Don	D	21	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	86%
Smith	Mark	D	43	R	R	W	R	W	R	R	A	5	2	1	63%	83%
Stevens	Greg	D	6	R	R	R	R	W	R	R	R	7	1	0	88%	84%
Struyk	Doug	D	99	R	R	W	R	W	R	R	R	6	2	0	75%	75%
Swaim	Kurt	D	94	R	R	W	R	W	R	R	R	6	2	0	75%	75%
Taylor	Dick	D	33	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	93%
Taylor	Todd	D	34	R	R	R	R	R	A	R	R	7	0	1	88%	89%
Thomas	Roger	D	24	R	R	W	R	R	R	R	R	7	1	0	88%	71%
Tjepkes	David	R	50	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%
Tymeson	Jodi	R	73	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	3%
Upmeyer	Linda	R	12	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%
Van Engelenhoven	James	R	71	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	6%
Van Fossen	James	R	84	W	W	W	W	W	R	W	W	1	7	0	13%	13%
Van Fossen	Jamie	R	81	W	W	R	W	W	W	W	W	1	7	0	13%	8%
Watts	Ralph	R	47	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%
Wendt	Roger	D	2	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	100%
Whitaker	John	D	90	R	R	W	R	W	R	R	R	6	2	0	75%	75%
Whitead	Wes	D	1	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	87%
Wildurdyke	Paul	R	56	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	0	8	0	0%	0%
Winckler	Cindy	D	86	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	R	8	0	0	100%	97%
Wise	Philip	D	92	R	R	W	R	W	R	R	R	6	2	0	75%	79%