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Jenne, Jones Shine on Environment in North Country Delegation
Butler Only Area Legislator to Fail 2017 Scorecard

North Country – Reversing years of failing scores, just one North Country legislator, Marc Butler (R-Johnstown) failed the [2017 Environmental Scorecard](#) with a dismal 62 points. Assemblymembers Addie Jenne (D-Watertown) and Billy Jones (D-Plattsburgh) stood out in the delegation, with leading scores of 92 points each; they voted for climate action, to ensure a Constitutional right to clean air and water, and healthful environment for all New Yorkers, as well as to protect the Hudson River from becoming an oil barge parking lot, among other measures.

Assemblywoman Carrie Woerner (D-Saratoga Springs) earned 85 points. By comparison, Assemblyman Butler’s failing score was the result of his opposition to legislation that would fight climate change and create clean energy jobs, efforts to cut battery waste, as well as several unexcused absences, and more.

Assembly

Other Assembly scores include:

- William Barclay (R-Fulton): 67
- Kenneth Blankenbush (R-Carthage): 67
- Dan Stec (R-Glens Falls): 77
- Mary Beth Walsh (R-Ballston Spa): 67

Senate

For the first time in nearly a decade, all four state senators representing the North Country passed the *Scorecard* – not by much, however:

- Joe Griffo (R-Utica): 68
- Betty Little (R-Glens Falls): 71
- Patty Ritchie (R-Watertown): 76
- Jim Tedisco (R-Clifton Park): 71

“While we need greater progress, this is a good start for the North Country’s state legislators. The region is facing widespread threats, which are becoming worse due to the roll backs being taken in D.C. The public is depending on their state legislators to stand up for their interests, not oil and gas profits. It’s great to have partners like Assemblymembers Jenne and Jones to keep progress moving!” said Executive Director Peter Iwanowicz.

The EPL/Environmental Advocates 2017 *Environmental Scorecard* is the first and only record of New York State lawmakers’ votes on legislation that will affect the environment. The guide has been produced and distributed statewide for more than 45 years. For the complete *Scorecard*, visit www.eplscorecard.org.