

## VOTING RECORD 2024 EDITION

The Washington Retail Association (WR) Voting Record is a helpful tool for gauging the support of state legislators on top issues and policies impacting the retail industry. WR allocates points dependent on the priority of the issue. The House currently has 58 Democrats and 40 Republicans. The Senate has a 29 to 20 split with the Democrats in control.

Please join us in thanking those legislators who voted for WR positions in support of the retail industry. For more information, contact Mark Johnson, Sr. VP of Policy, and Government Affairs, at [mjohnson@washingtonretail.org](mailto:mjohnson@washingtonretail.org).

### **VOTING RECORD KEY**

**Y = Yes                      A = Absent**

**N = No                      E = Excused**

**% = Percentage of votes for the WR position**

### **Allocation of Points**

Floor Votes taken on WR's highest priority issues = 5 Points.

Floor Votes taken on WR's medium priority issues = 3 Points.



### I 2113

#### **REINSTATING THE AUTHORITY OF LAW ENFORCEMENT TO ENGAGE IN PURSUITS**

Reinstates the authority of law enforcement to engage in a vehicular pursuit when there is reasonable suspicion a person has violated the law and the officer follows appropriate safety standards.

- **Senate vote:** Yeas: 36 Nays: 13 Absent: 0 Excused: 0
- **House vote:** Yeas: 77 Nays: 20 Absent: 0 Excused: 1
- A **YES** vote supported WR's position.
- **High Priority issue = 5 points**

### **ESSB 5778**

#### **EMPLOYER POLITICAL SPEECH (CAPTIVE AUDIENCE)**

Forbids employers from being allowed to express and provide information to their employees on unionization efforts.

- **Senate vote:** Yeas: 28 Nays: 20 Absent: 0 Excused: 1
- **House vote:** Yeas: 55 Nays: 41 Absent: 0 Excused: 2
- A **NO** vote supported WR's position.
- **High Priority issue = 5 points**

### **ESHB 1893**

#### **EXPANDING UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS TO STRIKING WORKERS**

Concerning unemployment insurance benefits for workers who are on strike to collect unemployment insurance benefits.

- **Senate vote:** No Senate Vote
- **House vote:** Yeas: 53 Nays: 44 Absent: 0 Excused: 1
- A **NO** vote supported WR's position.
- **High Priority issue = 5 points**

### **ESSB 5368**

#### **EXPANDING RETURN-TO-WORK OPPORTUNITIES THROUGH THE STAY-AT-WORK PROGRAM**

Expanding access to the workers' compensation stay-at-work program through off-site light duty return to work opportunities.

- **Senate vote:** Yeas: 44 Nays: 4 Absent: 0 Excused: 1
- **House vote:** No House Vote
- A **YES** vote supported WR's position.
- **High Priority issue = 5 points**



### E2SHB 1185

#### **REDUCING ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS OF LIGHTING PRODUCTS**

Bans the sale of most mercury-containing lighting products beginning January 1, 2029.

- **Senate vote:** Yeas: 29 Nays: 20 Absent: 0 Excused: 0
- **House vote:** Yeas: 54 Nays: 42 Absent: 0 Excused: 1
  - \*Concurred Vote
- A **NO** vote supported WR's position.
- **Medium Priority issue = 3 points**

### ESSB 5793

#### **CONCERNING PAID SICK LEAVE**

This overly burdensome legislation would require employers to unnecessarily expand reasons employees can take paid sick leave.

- **Senate vote:** Yeas: 28 Nays: 21 Absent: 0 Excused: 0
- **House vote:** Yeas: 76 Nays: 19 Absent: 0 Excused: 3
- A **NO** vote supported WR's position.
- **Medium Priority issue = 3 points**

### HB 1927

#### **TEMPORARY TOTAL DISABILITY**

Reducing the number of days that a worker's temporary total disability must continue to receive industrial insurance compensation for the day of an injury and the three-day period following the injury.

- **Senate vote:** Yeas: 33 Nays: 16 Absent: 0 Excused: 0
- **House vote:** Yeas: 60 Nays: 37 Absent: 0 Excused: 1
- A **NO** vote supported WR's position.
- **Medium Priority issue = 3 points**

### SHB 2127

#### **INCENTIVES TO RETURN TO WORK**

Concerning workers' compensation incentives to return to work.

- **Senate vote:** Yeas: 46 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Excused: 3
- **House vote:** Yeas: 97 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Excused: 1
- A **YES** vote supported WR's position.
- **High Priority issue = 5 points**



### SSB 5935

#### **NONCOMPETITION COVENANTS**

Broadens the definition of "noncompetition covenant."

- **Senate vote:** Yeas: 29 Nays: 20 Absent: 0 Excused: 0
- **House vote:** Yeas: 55 Nays: 38 Absent: 0 Excused: 5
- A **NO** vote supported WR's position.
- **Medium Priority issue = 3 points**

### SB 5160

#### **ORC- MULTIPLE ACCOMPLICES IN ORGANIZED RETAIL THEFT**

Defining "multiple accomplices" in the context of organized retail theft.

- **Senate vote:** Yeas: 49 Nays: 0 Absent: 0 Excused: 0
- **House vote:** No House Vote
- A **YES** vote supported WR's position.
- **Medium Priority issue = 3 points**

### SSB 5056

#### **HABITUAL PROPERTY OFFENDERS**

Establishes a special allegation and sentencing enhancement that apply to certain felony robbery and theft convictions where the defendant is a habitual property offender.

- **Senate vote:** Yeas: 38 Nays: 10 Absent: 0 Excused: 1
- **House vote:** No House Vote
- A **YES** vote supported WR's position.
- **Medium Priority issue = 3 points**









