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YOUR GUIDE TO VOTING FOR THE ARTS IN 2010

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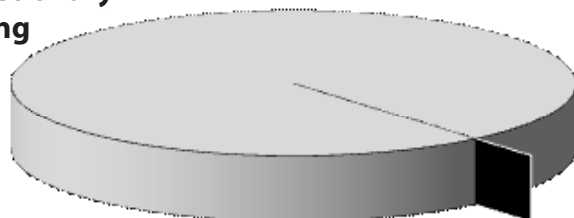
ARTS IN THE 111th CONGRESS The Congressional Arts Report Card

The 111th Congress proved to be a transitional moment as the new Obama Administration and a Democratic majority in both houses of Congress approved numerous bills that boosted arts funding, arts education and gave new visibility to the arts as a creative workforce and critical part of a well-rounded education.

Americans for the Arts Action Fund PAC has produced this Congressional Arts Report Card as a guide to help voters make arts-informed decisions at the ballot box. The guide contains carefully evaluated legislative benchmarks that form a detailed arts record, including a numerical score and letter grade, for each member of the Senate based on numerous arts and arts education issues. There were no arts-related floor votes in the House in the 111th Congress and therefore House members were not graded.

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U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

The House of Representatives of the 111th Session of Congress saw arts and culture included in the dialogue on some of the most pressing policy issues just two years into the Obama administration. As the economic recovery remains first and foremost in the country's mind, this turbulent session enacted a massive stimulus bill, debated countless measures on employment, passed healthcare reform, and introduced fundamental changes to the federal role in education.

The debate of critical policy questions often had far-reaching impact for the nonprofit arts community. In fact, there is hardly an aspect of the sometimes contentious Congressional dialogue of the past two years that did not have some implication for the arts. The next section will take a look back at those legislative accomplishments and challenges related to the arts and arts education.

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act

President Barack Obama, facing increasing job losses as he took the oath of office in January 2009, immediately set his economic team to work to infuse the economy with increased government spending that pumped jobs into the sagging employment market. What became known as the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) became an \$800 billion stimulus vehicle whose sole purpose was to stem unemployment by funneling money and jobs into infrastructure, education, clean energy, manufacturing, healthcare, and social services.

Because of the hard-fought \$50 million that was invested in the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA), 1,408 arts jobs at the local level were preserved. Through the NEA, ARRA funds were distributed through 693 grants reaching all 50 states with state arts agencies receiving \$16.8 million.

For the first time in recent memory, the creative sector had distinct and explicit recognition from the federal government as a crucial part of the economy. Not unlike other suffering industries, the nonprofit arts community was in dire need of an infusion of funds that could save jobs.

During an often contentious debate on ARRA, some members of Congress attacked funding for arts-related jobs, declaring the arts as not being worthy of support. Thanks to the unwavering leadership of such Representatives as Appropriations Chairman David Obey (D-WI), Congressional Arts Caucus Co-Chair Louise Slaughter (D-NY), Appropriations Interior Subcommittee Chairman Norm Dicks (D-WA) and Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi (D-CA), the funds were retained in the final version of the bill.

The Arts and the Economy

The House Education and Labor Committee Chairman George Miller (D-CA) held a hearing in March 2009 titled "The Economic and Employment Impact of the Arts and Music Industry" to examine how the economy is affecting jobs in the arts and music industries, and the role these industries play in communities across the country. This was the first hearing the committee, which provides policy direction for the NEA and other cultural agencies, had held on the arts in the last 15 years. Witnesses included Americans for the Arts President and CEO Robert L. Lynch and Miami-Dade County Department of Cultural Affairs Director and Americans for the Arts Board Member Michael Spring. They were invited to testify at this vital hearing on how the nation's economic downturn is having a ripple effect on the nonprofit arts sector and its workforce, as well as the arts community's response to the current crisis.

As Congress continued to address rising unemployment other measures that impacted the nonprofit community other bills came to the aid of organizations. A federal tax credit was approved through the Hiring Incentives to Restore Employment Act (HIRE), which states that through December 31, 2010, employers, including nonprofit

employers, who hire individuals who have been unemployed for at least 60 days will not have to pay the employer's 6.2 percent share of the Social Security payroll tax for the new hires. Congress acknowledged again that as an employer, the nonprofit sector was also susceptible to the downward pressures of the economic meltdown and could use some much needed help.

Healthcare and the Arts

The issue that dominated the headlines and the legislative agenda of the White House, Senate, and the House over the past two years was healthcare reform. The massive overhaul of our nation's health system will have a sweeping impact on all sectors of our economy, including the nonprofit arts community.

To that end, Americans for the Arts built a coalition of national arts service organizations and produced recommendations to Congress offering specific ways healthcare reform could help expand coverage to the disproportionately underinsured creative community and assist small arts organizations in providing healthcare to their employees.

As originally written, tax exemptions and incentives to provide coverage through businesses were only given to small private sector businesses. Thanks to the efforts of Rep. Betty McCollum (DFL-MN), one of these provisions, granting eligible organizations a tax credit of up to 35 percent of health insurance premiums available to firms with 25 or fewer employees and with average wages below \$50,000 was inserted in the final reform effort and included nonprofit organizations as well.

Arts Advocacy Day 2010

In April, with more than 550 arts advocates from across the country in attendance, Speaker of the House of Representatives Nancy Pelosi (D-CA) accepted the 2010 Public Leadership in the Arts Award for Congressional Arts Leadership, spearheading an electric start to Arts Advocacy Day. Presented jointly by The United States Conference of Mayors and Americans for the Arts, Speaker Pelosi was given the award for her critical role in securing funding in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act to save creative workforce jobs through the National Endowment for the Arts.

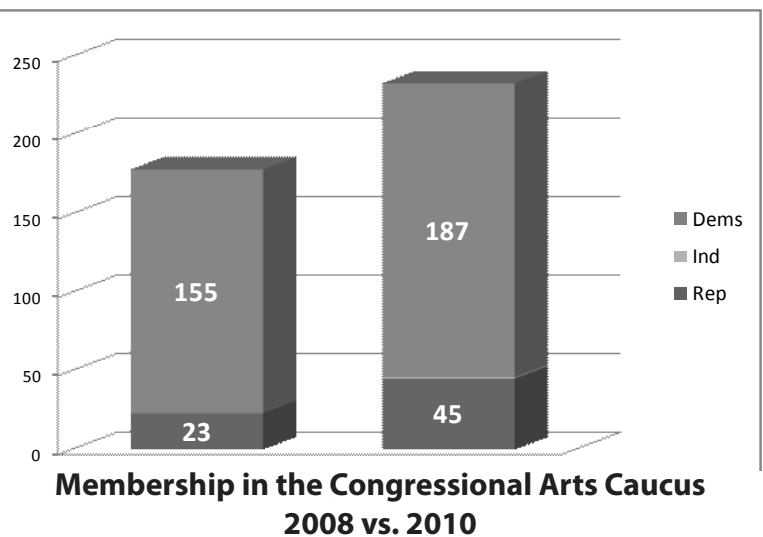
Other members of Congress gave remarks at the Congressional Arts Kick Off to rally arts support on Capitol Hill including Sen. Tom Udall (D-NM) and Reps. John Yarmuth (D-KY), John Lewis (D-GA), Betty McCollum (DFL-MN), Congressional Arts Caucus Co-Chair Louise Slaughter (D-NY), and recently elevated Interior Appropriations Subcommittee Chairman Jim Moran (D-VA).

In conjunction with National Arts Advocacy Day, Americans for the Arts assembled a group of arts supporters to testify before the House Appropriations Subcommittee on the Interior, encouraging Congress to increase funding for the National Endowment for the Arts (NEA). The hearing included a wide range of testimony, from the personal stories of actors Kyle MacLachlan and Jeff Daniels to the viewpoint of rural community arts administrator Terri Aldrich of Minot, ND.

Others present to lend their perspectives were Ovation TV CEO Charles Segars, U.S. Army Brigadier General Nolen Bivens (ret.), and Philadelphia Mayor Michael Nutter. NEA Chairman Rocco Landesman and Congressional Arts Caucus Co-Chair Louise Slaughter (D-NY) gave testimony previous to the Americans for the Arts panel. Chairman Moran and Ranking Member Simpson submitted questions to the witnesses to expand on their perspectives in support of \$180 million in funding for the NEA. The Subcommittee reported out an increase of \$2.5 million to bring the proposed agency budget to \$170 million despite budgetary pressures.

Growth in the Congressional Arts Caucus

The Congressional Arts Caucus, co-chaired by Reps. Louise Slaughter (D-NY) and Todd Platts (R-PA), grew in membership to 233 members of the House of Representatives, up from 176 at the beginning of 2010. This body serves as the first line of defense for cultural interests when there is arts-related legislative action. This recent jump is due in large part to the work done during congressional office visits by grassroots advocates on Arts Advocacy Day, making the Arts Caucus one of the largest voluntary caucuses in the House of Representatives. Also noteworthy was the spike in Republicans joining the ranks. Of the 57 new members of the Arts Caucus, 22 of them were Republicans—doubling the previous membership numbers from the 110th Congress.



Signature Arts Legislation in the 111th Session

The “Artist-Museum Partnership Act,” H.R. 1126 offered in the House by Reps. John Lewis (D-GA) and Congressional Arts Caucus Co-Chair Todd Platts (R-PA), and S.405 in the Senate by Sens. Pat Leahy (D-VT) and Robert Bennett (R-UT), was reintroduced in 2009 in the 111th Congress after record-setting co-sponsorship in the 110th. This legislation would allow artists to claim a tax deduction for gifts of their own work. Without incentive to give their works to nonprofit institutions, creators generally sell their works to private collectors, and the public loses. Americans for the Arts continues to assist in mobilizing support for this crucial bill affecting artists. At the time of this writing, there were 93 cosponsors in the House and 23 in the Senate.

Congress is currently trying to extend the IRA Charitable Rollover through the end of 2010 after its expiration at the end of 2009. This provision permits donors age 70.5 and older to make tax-free charitable gifts directly from their IRAs to charities up to an annual ceiling of \$100,000. At the beginning of the 111th Congress, H.R. 1250 was reintroduced by Rep. Earl Pomeroy (D-ND). This legislation makes this provision permanent and removes the arbitrary age and monetary caps. At the time of this writing, there were 80 cosponsors in the House. The Senate bill, S.864 collected 15 cosponsors.

Arts Leadership Changes

It is worthy to note that a couple of key congressional committee changes in the past year have positioned some reliable arts and culture leaders in key committee chairmanships. Rep. Jim Moran (D-VA) replaced Rep. Norm Dicks (D-WA), whose three and half years as chairman of the House Appropriations Interior Subcommittee marked significant funding increases for the cultural agencies under his discretion. Continuing that tradition, Chairman Moran had again proposed an increase for the NEA in his first fiscal year appropriations bill. Along with his Republican colleague, Rep. Mike Simpson (R-ID), the subcommittee continues to be receptive to the role the endowments play in supporting local creative communities.

Minnesota arts champion Rep. Betty McCollum (DFL-MN) recently joined Reps. Moran and Simpson on the Interior Subcommittee where her established pro-arts positions are welcomed additions to an already supportive bi-partisan panel.

How to Read the U.S. House of Representatives Arts Voting Record

- 1** Membership in the Congressional Arts Caucus as of 10-09-10. The list is maintained by the office of Caucus Co-Chair Representative Louise Slaughter (D-NY). There are 233 members.
Pro-arts: Yes

- 2** Cosponsorship of H.R. 1126 in the 111th Congress, offered by Representatives John Lewis (D-GA) and Todd Platts (R-PA), allowing artists and creators to claim a tax deduction for the fair market value of gifts of their own work to nonprofit arts organizations for mission-related use. There are 93 House cosponsors as of 11-10-10.
Pro-arts: Yes

- 3** Co-signed a Congressional Arts Caucus “Dear Colleague” letter on April 3, 2009, asking House appropriators for a funding increase for the NEA. The letters were initiated by Caucus Co-Chairs Representatives Slaughter (D-NY) and Todd Platts (R-PA). There were 77 House signatories.
Pro-arts: Yes

- 4** Co-signed a Congressional Arts Caucus “Dear Colleague” letter on April 3, 2009, asking for a funding increase for the Department of Education’s arts education grant programs. The letters were initiated by Caucus Co-Chairs Representatives Slaughter (D-NY) and Platts (R-PA). There were 40 House signatories.
Pro-arts: Yes

- 5** Co-signed a Congressional Arts Caucus “Dear Colleague” letter on March 22, 2010, asking House appropriators for a funding increase for the NEA. The letters were initiated by Caucus Co-Chairs Representatives Slaughter (D-NY) and Todd Platts (R-PA). There were 49 House signatories.
Pro-arts: Yes

- 6** Co-signed a Congressional Arts Caucus “Dear Colleague” letter on March 22, 2010, asking for funds for the Department of Education’s Arts in Education program. The letters were initiated by Caucus Co-Chair Representative Slaughter (D-NY). There were 40 House signatories.
Pro-arts: Yes

U.S. House of Representatives Arts Support Record

District	Representative (Party)		1	2	3	4	5	6
ALABAMA								
4	Aderholt, Robert (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
6	Bachus, Spencer (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Bonner, Jo (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Bright, Bobby (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
7	Davis, Artur (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Griffith, Parker (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
3	Rogers, Mike (R)		○	●	○	○	○	○
ALASKA								
1	Young, Don (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
AMERICAN SAMOA								
1	Faleomavaega, Eni (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
ARIZONA								
6	Flake, Jeff (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Franks, Trent (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Giffords, Gabrielle (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
7	Grijalva, Raul (D)		●	●	●	●	○	○
1	Kirkpatrick, Ann (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
5	Mitchell, Harry (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
4	Pastor, Ed (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
3	Shadegg, John (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
ARKANSAS								
1	Berry, Marion (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Boozman, John (R)		○	●	○	○	○	○
4	Ross, Mike (D)		●	○	●	○	●	○
2	Snyder, Vic (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
CALIFORNIA								
43	Baca, Joe (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
31	Becerra, Xavier (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
28	Berman, Howard (D)		●	●	●	●	○	○
50	Bilbray, Brian (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
45	Bono Mack, Mary (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
44	Calvert, Ken (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
48	Campbell, John (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
23	Capps, Lois (D)		●	○	●	●	●	○
18	Cardoza, Dennis (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
32	Chu, Judy (D)	Took office on 07/16/09	○	○	○	○	○	○
20	Costa, Jim (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
53	Davis, Susan (D)		●	○	●	○	●	●

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COLORADO									
6	Coffman, Mike (R)			●	○	○	○	○	○
1	DeGette, Diana (D)			●	○	●	○	○	○
5	Lamborn, Doug (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Markey, Betsy (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
7	Perlmutter, Ed (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Polis, Jared (D)			●	●	○	●	○	●
3	Salazar, John (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
CONNECTICUT									
2	Courtney, Joseph (D)			●	●	○	○	●	○
3	DeLauro, Rosa (D)			●	○	○	○	●	○
4	Himes, Jim (D)			●	○	○	●	○	●
1	Larson, John (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
5	Murphy, Christopher (D)			●	●	●	○	●	○
DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA									
1	Norton, Eleanor Holmes (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
DELAWARE									
1	Castle, Michael (R)			●	●	○	○	○	○
FLORIDA									
9	Bilirakis, Gus (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Boyd, Allen (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Brown, Corrine (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
5	Brown-Waite, Ginny (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
13	Buchanan, Vern (R)			●	○	○	○	○	○
11	Castor, Kathy (D)			●	○	●	○	●	●
4	Crenshaw, Ander (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
19	Deutch, Theodore E. (D)	Took office on 04/15/10		○	○	○	○	○	○
21	Diaz-Balart, Lincoln (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
25	Diaz-Balart, Mario (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Grayson, Alan (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
23	Hastings, Alcee (D)			●	○	●	●	●	○
22	Klein, Ron (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
24	Kosmas, Suzanne (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
14	Mack IV, Connie (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
17	Meek, Kendrick (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
7	Mica, John (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Miller, Jeff (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
15	Posey, Bill (R)			●	○	○	○	○	○
12	Putnam, Adam (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
16	Rooney, Tom (R)			●	○	○	○	○	○
18	Ros-Lehtinen, Ileana (R)			●	○	○	○	○	○

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FLORIDA (cont.)								
6	Stearns, Cliff (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
20	Wasserman Schultz, Debbie (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
10	Young, C.W. "Bill" (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
GEORGIA								
12	Barrow, John (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Bishop, Sanford (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
10	Broun, Paul (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
11	Gingrey, Phil (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
9	Graves, Tom (R)	Took office on 06/14/10	○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Johnson, Hank (D)		●	●	●	○	○	○
1	Kingston, Jack (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Lewis, John (D)		●	●	○	○	○	○
7	Linder, John (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Marshall, Jim (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
6	Price, Tom (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
13	Scott, David (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Westmoreland, Lynn (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
GUAM								
1	Bordallo, Madeleine (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
HAWAII								
1	Djou, Charles K.	Took office on 05/25/10	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Hirono, Mazie (D)		●	○	●	●	●	●
IDAHO								
1	Minnick, Walt (D)		●	●	○	○	○	○
2	Simpson, Michael (R)		●	●	○	○	○	○
ILLINOIS								
8	Bean, Melisa (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
13	Biggert, Judy (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
12	Costello, Jerry (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
7	Davis, Danny (D)		●	●	●	○	●	○
14	Foster, Bill (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
4	Gutierrez, Luis (D)		●	●	○	○	○	○
11	Halvorson, Debbie (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
17	Hare, Phil (D)		●	●	○	●	○	○
2	Jackson, Jesse (D)		●	●	○	○	●	○
15	Johnson, Timothy (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
10	Kirk, Mark (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
3	Lipinski, Daniel (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
16	Manzullo, Donald (R)		○	●	○	○	○	○
5	Quigley, Michael (D)	Took office on 04/21/09	●	●	○	○	○	○

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ILLINOIS (cont.)								
6	Roskam, Peter (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Rush, Bobby (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
9	Schakowsky, Janice (D)		●	●	●	○	○	○
18	Schock, Aaron (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
19	Shimkus, John (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
INDIANA								
5	Burton, Dan (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Buyer, Steve (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
7	Carson, Andre (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
2	Donnelly, Joe (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Ellsworth, Brad (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
9	Hill, Baron (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
6	Pence, Mike (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Vacant	Rep. Souder resigned on 05/21/10						
1	Visclosky, Peter (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
IOWA								
3	Boswell, Leonard (D)		●	○	○	○	●	○
1	Braley, Bruce (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
5	King, Steven (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Latham, Tom (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Loebsack, David (D)		●	●	●	○	○	●
KANSAS								
2	Jenkins, Lynn (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
3	Moore, Dennis (D)		●	●	●	○	●	●
1	Moran, Jerry (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
4	Tiahrt, Todd (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
KENTUCKY								
6	Chandler, Ben (D)		●	●	○	○	○	○
4	Davis, Geoff (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Guthrie, Brett (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
5	Rogers, Harold (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Whitfield, Ed (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Yarmuth, John (D)		●	●	●	●	●	●

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LOUISIANA								
5	Alexander, Rodney (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
7	Boustany, Charles (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Cao, Anh (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
6	Cassidy, Bill (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
4	Fleming, John (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
3	Melancon, Charles (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Scalise, Steve (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
MAINE								
2	Michaud, Michael (D)		●	●	●	●	●	○
1	Pingree, Chellie (D)		●	●	●	○	●	●
MARYLAND								
6	Bartlett, Roscoe (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
7	Cummings, Elijah (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
4	Edwards, Donna (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
5	Hoyer, Steny (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Kratovil, Frank (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
2	Ruppersberger, Dutch (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Sarbanes, John (D)		○	○	●	○	○	○
8	Van Hollen, Christopher (D)		●	○	●	●	●	●
MASSACHUSETTS								
8	Capuano, Michael (D)		●	○	●	○	●	○
10	Delahunt, William (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Frank, Barney (D)		○	●	○	○	●	●
9	Lynch, Stephen (D)		○	●	○	○	○	○
7	Markey, Edward (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
3	McGovern, James (D)		●	●	●	●	●	○
2	Neal, Richard (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
1	Olver, John (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
6	Tierney, John (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Tsongas, Niki (D)		●	●	●	●	●	●
MICHIGAN								
4	Camp, Dave (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
14	Conyers, John (D)		●	●	●	●	○	●
15	Dingell, John (D)		●	○	●	○	●	○
3	Ehlers, Vernon (R)		●	○	●	○	●	○
2	Hoekstra, Peter (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○

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MICHIGAN (cont.)									
5	Kildee, Dale (D)			●	●	●	●	●	○
13	Kilpatrick, Carolyn (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
12	Levin, Sander (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
11	McCotter, Thaddeus (R)			●	●	○	○	○	○
10	Miller, Candice (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
9	Peters, Gary (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
8	Rogers, Mike (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
7	Schauer, Mark (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
1	Stupak, Bart (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
6	Upton, Fred (R)			○	●	○	○	○	○
MINNESOTA									
6	Bachmann, Michelle (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Ellison, Keith (D)			●	●	○	○	○	●
2	Kline, John (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
4	McCollum, Betty (D)			●	●	○	○	○	○
8	Oberstar, James (D)			●	○	○	○	●	○
3	Paulsen, Erik (R)			●	●	○	○	○	○
7	Peterson, Collin (D)			●	●	●	●	●	●
1	Walz, Timothy (D)			●	●	●	○	○	○
MISSISSIPPI									
1	Childers, Travis (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Harper, Gregg (R)			●	○	○	○	○	○
4	Taylor, Gene (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Thompson, Bennie (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
MISSOURI									
2	Akin, Todd (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
7	Blunt, Roy (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Carnahan, Russ (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
1	Clay, William Lacy (D)			●	○	●	○	○	○
5	Cleaver, Emanuel (D)			○	○	●	○	○	○
8	Emerson, Jo Ann (R)			●	○	○	○	○	○
6	Graves, Sam (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
9	Luetkemeyer, Blaine (R)			●	○	○	○	○	○
4	Skelton, Ike (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
MONTANA									
1	Rehberg, Dennis (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
NEBRASKA									
1	Fortenberry, Jeff (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Smith, Adrian (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Terry, Lee (R)			●	○	○	○	○	○

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NEVADA									
1	Berkley, Shelley (D)			●	●	●	○	●	○
2	Heller, Dean (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Titus, Dina (D)			●	●	○	○	○	○
NEW HAMPSHIRE									
2	Hodes, Paul (D)			●	●	●	●	●	○
1	Shea-Porter, Carol (D)			●	●	○	○	○	○
NEW JERSEY									
3	Adler, John (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
1	Andrews, Robert (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
11	Frelinghuysen, Rodney (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Garrett, Scott (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
12	Holt, Rush (D)			●	●	●	●	○	○
7	Lance, Leonard (R)			●	○	●	○	○	○
2	LoBiondo, Frank (R)			●	○	○	○	●	○
6	Pallone, Frank (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
8	Pascrell, Bill (D)			●	●	●	●	○	●
10	Payne, Donald (D)			●	○	●	○	○	○
9	Rothman, Steven (D)			●	●	○	○	○	○
13	Sires, Albio (D)			○	●	○	○	○	○
4	Smith, Christopher (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
NEW MEXICO									
1	Heinrich, Martin (D)			●	●	○	○	○	○
3	Luján, Ben Ray			●	●	○	○	○	○
2	Teague, Harry (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
NEW YORK									
5	Ackerman, Gary (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
24	Arcuri, Michael (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
1	Bishop, Tim (D)			●	●	○	○	○	○
11	Clarke, Yvette (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
7	Crowley, Joseph (D)			○	○	●	○	○	○
17	Engel, Eliot (D)			●	○	●	○	○	○
19	Hall, John (D)			●	○	●	●	○	●
27	Higgins, Brian (D)			○	●	○	○	○	○
22	Hinchey, Maurice (D)			●	●	○	○	○	○
2	Israel, Steve (D)			○	●	○	○	○	○
3	King, Peter (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
26	Lee, Christopher (R)			●	○	○	○	○	○
18	Lowey, Nita (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○

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NEW YORK (cont.)								
25	Maffei, Dan (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
14	Maloney, Carolyn (D)		●	●	●	●	●	○
29	Vacant	<i>Rep. Massa resigned 03/08/10</i>						
4	McCarthy, Carolyn (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
13	McMahon, Mike (D)		●	○	●	○	○	○
6	Meeks, Gregory (D)		○	○	●	○	○	○
20	Murphy, Scott (D)	<i>Took office on 04/29/09</i>	○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Nadler, Jerrold (D)		●	●	●	○	○	●
23	Owens, Bill (D)	<i>Took office on 11/06/09</i>	○	○	○	○	○	○
15	Rangel, Charles (D)		●	○	●	●	○	●
16	Serrano, Jose (D)		●	●	○	○	○	○
28	Slaughter, Louise (D)		●	●	●	●	●	●
21	Tonko, Paul (D)		●	○	●	●	●	○
10	Towns, Edolphus (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
12	Velazquez, Nydia (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
9	Weiner, Anthony (D)		●	●	○	○	○	○
NORTH CAROLINA								
1	Butterfield, G.K. (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
6	Coble, Howard (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Etheridge, Bob (D)		●	○	●	●	○	○
5	Foxx, Virginia (R)		○	●	○	○	○	○
3	Jones, Walter (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Kissell, Larry (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
10	McHenry, Patrick (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
7	McIntyre, Mike (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
13	Miller, Brad (D)		●	●	●	●	●	○
9	Myrick, Sue (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Price, David (D)		●	●	○	○	○	○
11	Shuler, Heath (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
12	Watt, Melvin (D)		○	○	●	●	●	○
NORTH DAKOTA								
1	Pomeroy, Earl (D)		○	○	○	●	○	○
NORTHERN MARIANA ISLANDS								
1	Sablan, Gregorio (I)		●	○	○	○	○	○
OHIO								
7	Austria, Steve (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
16	Bocchieri, John (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
8	Boehner, John (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
1	DrieHaus, Steve (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
11	Fudge, Marcia (D)		●	●	○	○	○	○
4	Jordan, Jim (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○

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OHIO (cont.)									
9	Kaptur, Marcy (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
15	Kilroy, Mary Jo (D)			●	○	●	○	●	●
10	Kucinich, Dennis (D)			●	○	●	●	○	○
14	LaTourette, Steven (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Latta, Robert (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
17	Ryan, Tim (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
2	Schmidt, Jean (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
18	Space, Zachary (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
13	Sutton, Betty (D)			●	●	●	○	○	○
12	Tiberi, Patrick (R)			○	●	○	○	○	○
3	Turner, Michael (R)			○	●	○	○	○	○
6	Wilson, Charles (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
OKLAHOMA									
2	Boren, Dan (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
4	Cole, Tom (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Fallin, Mary (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Lucas, Frank (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Sullivan, John (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
OREGON									
3	Blumenauer, Earl (D)			●	○	●	●	●	○
4	DeFazio, Peter (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
5	Schrader, Kurt (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
2	Walden, Greg (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Wu, David (D)			●	●	○	○	●	●
PENNSYLVANIA									
4	Altmire, Jason (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
1	Brady, Robert (D)			●	●	●	○	○	○
10	Carney, Christopher (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
12	Critz, Mark S. (D)	Took office on 05/20/10							
3	Dahlkemper, Kathy (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
15	Dent, Charles (R)			●	○	○	○	○	○
14	Doyle, Michael (D)			●	○	●	○	○	○
2	Fattah, Chaka (D)			○	●	○	○	○	○
6	Gerlach, Jim (R)			●	●	○	○	○	○
17	Holden, Tim (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
11	Kanjorski, Paul (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
8	Murphy, Patrick (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
18	Murphy, Timothy (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○

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PENNSYLVANIA (cont.)							
16	Pitts, Joseph (R)	○	○	○	○	○	○
19	Platts, Todd (R)	●	●	●	●	●	○
13	Schwartz, Allyson (D)	○	●	○	○	○	○
7	Sestak, Joseph (D)	●	○	○	○	○	○
9	Shuster, Bill (R)	○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Thompson, Glenn (R)	●	○	○	○	○	○
PUERTO RICO							
1	Pierluisi, Pedro (D)	●	○	○	○	○	○
RHODE ISLAND							
1	Kennedy, Patrick (D)	●	●	○	○	○	○
2	Langevin, James (D)	●	●	●	●	●	○
SOUTH CAROLINA							
3	Barrett, J. Gresham (R)	○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Brown, Henry (R)	●	○	○	○	○	○
6	Clyburn, James (D)	●	○	○	○	○	○
4	Inglis, Bob (R)	○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Spratt, John (D)	●	○	●	●	●	●
2	Wilson, Joe (R)	●	○	○	○	○	○
SOUTH DAKOTA							
1	Herseth Sandlin, Stephanie (D)	●	○	○	●	○	○
TENNESSEE							
7	Blackburn, Marsha (R)	○	○	○	○	○	○
9	Cohen, Steve (D)	●	●	○	○	○	○
5	Cooper, Jim (D)	●	○	○	○	○	○
4	Davis, Lincoln (D)	○	○	○	○	○	○
2	Duncan, John (R)	○	○	○	○	○	○
6	Gordon, Bart (D)	●	○	○	○	○	○
1	Roe, Phil (R)	●	○	○	○	○	○
8	Tanner, John (D)	●	○	○	○	○	○
3	Wamp, Zach (R)	○	○	○	○	○	○
TEXAS							
6	Barton, Joe (R)	○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Brady, Kevin (R)	○	○	○	○	○	○
26	Burgess, Michael (R)	○	○	○	○	○	○
31	Carter, John (R)	○	○	○	○	○	○
11	Conaway, Mike (R)	○	○	○	○	○	○
28	Cuellar, Henry (D)	○	○	○	○	○	○

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TEXAS (cont.)								
7	Culberson, John (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
25	Doggett, Lloyd (D)		●	●	●	○	○	○
17	Edwards, Chet (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Gohmert, Louie (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
20	Gonzalez, Charles (D)		●	●	○	○	○	○
12	Granger, Kay (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
9	Green, Al (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
29	Green, Gene (D)		●	○	●	○	○	○
4	Hall, Ralph (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Hensarling, Jeb (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
15	Hinojosa, Ruben (D)		○	○	○	○	○	○
18	Jackson-Lee, Sheila (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
30	Johnson, Eddie Bernice (D)		●	○	○	●	○	○
3	Johnson, Sam (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
24	Marchant, Kenny (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
10	McCaul, Michael (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
19	Neugebauer, Randy (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
22	Olson, Pete (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
27	Ortiz, Solomon (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
14	Paul, Ron (R)		○	●	○	○	○	○
2	Poe, Ted (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
16	Reyes, Silvestre (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
23	Rodriguez, Ciro (D)		●	○	○	○	○	○
32	Sessions, Pete (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
21	Smith, Lamar (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
13	Thornberry, Mac (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
UTAH								
1	Bishop, Rob (R)		○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Chaffetz, Jason (R)		●	○	○	○	○	○
2	Matheson, Jim (D)		●	○	●	○	○	○
VERMONT								
1	Welch, Peter (D)		●	●	○	○	●	○
VIRGIN ISLANDS								
1	Christensen, Donna (D)		●	○	●	○	●	●

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VIRGINIA									
9	Boucher, Rick (D)			●	●	○	○	○	○
7	Cantor, Eric (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
11	Connolly, Gerry (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
4	Forbes, Randy (R)			○	●	○	○	○	○
6	Goodlatte, Bob (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Moran, Jim (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
2	Nye, Glenn (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
5	Perriello, Tom (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
3	Scott, Bobby (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
1	Wittman, Robert (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
10	Wolf, Frank (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
WASHINGTON									
3	Baird, Brian (D)			●	●	○	○	○	○
6	Dicks, Norm (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
4	Hastings, Doc (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Inslee, Jay (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
2	Larsen, Rick (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
7	McDermott, Jim (D)			●	●	●	●	●	●
5	McMorris Rodgers, Cathy (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
8	Reichert, David (R)			○	○	●	○	○	○
9	Smith, Adam (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
WEST VIRGINIA									
2	Capito, Shelley Moore (R)			●	○	○	○	○	○
1	Mollohan, Alan (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Rahall, Nick (D)			●	●	●	●	●	●
WISCONSIN									
2	Baldwin, Tammy (D)			●	○	●	○	○	○
8	Kagen, Steve (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
3	Kind, Ron (D)			●	○	○	○	○	○
4	Moore, Gwen (D)			○	●	○	○	○	○
7	Obey, David (D)			○	○	○	○	○	○
6	Petri, Thomas (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
1	Ryan, Paul (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
5	Sensenbrenner, Jim (R)			○	○	○	○	○	○
WYOMING									
1	Lummis, Cynthia (R)			●	○	○	○	○	○

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U.S. SENATE

The 111th Congress was also remarkable in the fact that for the first time since 2000 there were floor votes held in the Senate directly relating to the arts. These floor votes allow for a grade to be assigned to each Senator.

We've graded members of the U.S. Senate based on four major criteria:

- Three major floor votes on arts funding, (a total of 84 available points)
- Cosponsorship of arts-related legislation, (six points)
- Membership in the Senate Cultural Caucus, (six points) and
- Signatures on "Dear Colleague" letter to the Appropriations Committee requesting increased funding for the NEA (six points)

Of all these actions, the three major votes counted most heavily, at 28 points each, accounting for more than four-fifths of each possible total grade. Each of the other factors counted for six points each. A detailed listing and explanation of all the votes and grading factors follows this section.

Grade Scale

A+	94 or Above
A	84–93
B+	62–83
B	56–61
C+	38–55
C	28–37
D+	10–27
D	4–9

In general, members with perfect records received an A+. Those who at least took the pro-arts position on all three major votes on arts funding received an A. Those who took at least a pro-arts position on two out of three major floor votes automatically received a B or better.

In order to receive a C, the member had to take the pro-arts position on at least one of the three major floor votes on arts funding. Those who voted against the pro-arts position on all three votes, but did at least one or two of the other items were given a D. Those who voted against all three major floor votes and did not complete any other action item received an F.

Similar to our report cards in previous years, a few members received bonus points for outstanding leadership, as explained in the footnotes.

Finally, we acknowledge that a few Senators with poor or fair voting records were supportive behind the scenes. We also recognize that some Senators missed important votes for reasons that may have been beyond their control. Each Congressional Arts Report Card is as accurate as we can make it, but like any grading system, it cannot reflect all aspects of each member's performance. We encourage readers to be in touch with their own Senate offices if they have unanswered questions about their Senate records.

Senate Votes Explained

There are three Senate votes that were related to the arts in the 111th Congress. This is notable because there has not been an arts-related vote in the Senate prior to these since 2000. All three votes were amendments by Sen. Tom Coburn (R-OK) to appropriations bills that sought to prohibit spending relating to the arts, therefore a vote for these amendments was an anti-arts vote, and a vote against these amendments was a pro-arts vote. Here are descriptions of those three votes.

Coburn Amendment to American Recovery & Reinvestment Act

February 6, 2009, Passed by a vote of 73-24, Roll Call 51

During Senate consideration of the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act ("the stimulus bill") Sen. Coburn (R-OK) offered the following amendment: "None of the amounts appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used for any casino or other gambling establishment, aquarium, zoo, golf course, swimming pool, stadium, community park, museum, theater, art center, and highway beautification project." This amendment

prohibited any of the \$787 billion in stimulus funding from being spent in these arts-related areas, including the \$50 million that was provided to the National Endowment for the Arts for creation and preservation of jobs in the arts. Although the amendment passed, the House-Senate conference report dropped “museum, theater, art center” from the final legislation.

First Coburn Amendment to FY 2010 Consolidated Appropriations Act

September 16, 2009, Failed by a vote of 39-59, Roll Call 277

During Senate consideration of an appropriations measure that included FY 2010 funding for the U.S. Department of Transportation, Sen. Coburn (R-OK) offered an amendment to allow states “to opt out of a provision that requires states to spend 10 percent of their surface transportation funds on enhancement projects such as road-kill reduction and highway beautification.” This amendment, if accepted, would have terminated the Transportation Enhancement program which provides funding to state transportation agencies for public art, design, and other transportation-related arts projects.

Second Coburn Amendment to FY 2010 Consolidated Appropriations Act

September 16, 2009, Failed by a vote of 41-57, Roll Call 278

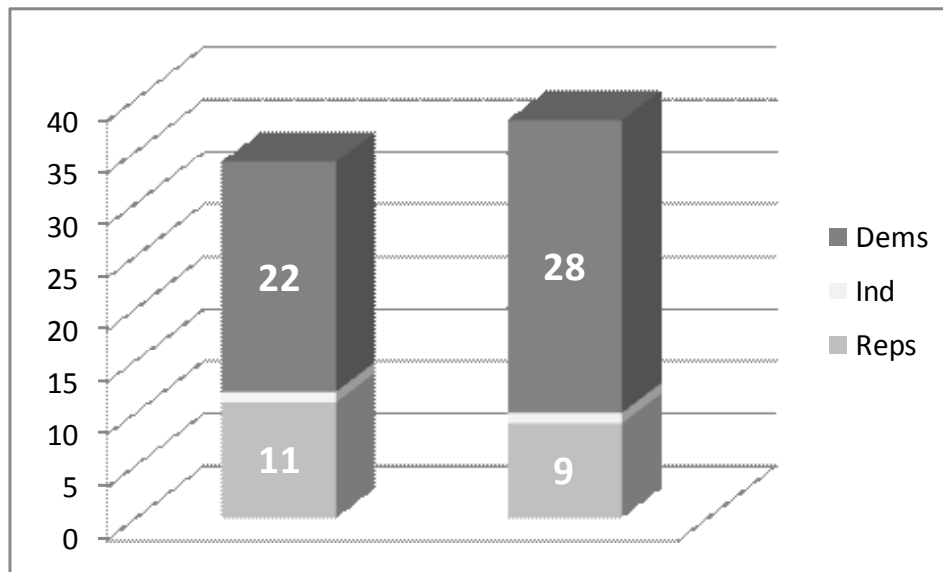
During Senate consideration of an appropriations measure that included FY 2010 funding for the U.S. Department of Transportation, Sen. Coburn (R-OK) offered a second amendment that stated: “None of the funds made available by this Act may be used for a museum.”

Notes on Senate Leadership Relating to the Arts and Arts Education

- Sens. Patrick Leahy (D-VT) and Robert Bennett (R-UT) continued their arts leadership by sponsoring S.405, “The Artist-Museum Partnership Act.” This bill would allow artists and creators to claim a tax deduction when they give their work to collecting or educational institutions such as museums and libraries.
- Sens. Barbara Mikulski (D-MD) and Mike Enzi (R-WY) serve as co-chairs of the Senate Cultural Caucus. Sen. Enzi has been a co-chair since the caucus was formed in 2005 and Sen. Mikulski joined him as co-chair in 2010.
- Sen. Tom Harkin (D-IA) has pursued support for arts education in his role as Education Appropriations Subcommittee chairman, and as chairman of the Senate Education Policy Committee. In separate hearings in 2009 and 2010 he asked Education Secretary Arne Duncan about the administration’s support for arts education, both from a funding and policy position.
- Sen. Tom Udall (D-NM) has spoken at the last two Arts Advocacy Day congressional breakfast events and authored the Dear Colleague letter calling for increased funding for the National Endowment for the Arts.
- Sens. Claire McGaskill (D-MO), Robert Bennett (R-UT), and Sheldon Whitehouse (D-RI) all serve on the National Council of the Arts, the advisory body that oversees the programs of the National Endowment for the Arts.
- Sens. Barbara Boxer (D-CA) and Tom Carper (D-DE) spoke out strongly on the Senate floor in opposition to two of the Coburn amendments during their consideration, helping to block the amendments from passage.
- Sens. Judd Gregg (R-NH) and Jeanne Shaheen (D-NH) introduced an amendment to the Edward M. Kennedy Serve America Act that increased eligibility for artists and musicians to take part in national service programs.
- Sens. Lamar Alexander (R-TN) and Chris Dodd (D-CT) requested and published a Government Accountability Office study addressing access to music and arts education for public school students as a result of the No Child Left Behind Act.

- Sen. Orrin Hatch (R-UT) is the lead GOP sponsor of S.1409, the Arts Require Timely Service Act (ARTS) which would reduce the total processing time for visas for international artists visiting the United States to perform. Sens. John Kerry (D-MA) and Patrick Leahy (D-VT) are also sponsors.

**Membership in the Senate Cultural Caucus
2008 vs. 2010**



How to Read the U.S. Senate Arts Support Record

- 1 Amendment to economic recovery legislation offered by Senator Tom Coburn (R-OK) stating, "None of the amounts appropriated or otherwise made available by this Act may be used for any casino or other gambling establishment, aquarium, zoo, golf course, swimming pool, stadium, community park, museum, theater, art center, and highway beautification project."

Date: 2/6/2009

Result: Passed by a vote of 73 to 24

Citation: 111th Congress, 1st Session, Roll Call Vote 51

Pro-arts: No

- 2 Amendment offered by Senator Tom Coburn (R-OK) to halt funding for the Transportation Enhancements program, which includes funding eligible for historic preservation and museums, within the FY 2010 Transportation Appropriations Bill.

Date: 9/16/2009

Result: Failed by a vote of 39 to 59

Citation: 111th Congress, 1st Session, Roll Call Vote 277

Pro-arts: No

- 3** Amendment offered by Senator Tom Coburn (R-OK) to prohibit funds within the 2010 Transportation Appropriations Bill from being used for any museum.
 Date: 9/16/2009
 Result: Failed by a vote of 41 to 57
 Citation: 111th Congress, 1st Session, Roll Call Vote 278
 Pro-arts: No
- 4** Cosponsorship of S.405, offered by Senators Patrick Leahy (D-VT) and Robert Bennett (R-UT), allowing artists and creators to claim a tax deduction for the fair market value of gifts of their own work to nonprofit arts organizations for mission-related use. There are 23 cosponsors.
 Pro-arts: Yes
- 5** Membership in the Senate Cultural Caucus as of 5/19/10. The list is maintained by the office of Caucus Co-Chair Senator Mike Enzi (R-WY). There are 38 members.
 Pro-arts: Yes
- 6** Co-signed a “Dear Colleague” letter in 2010, asking Senate appropriators for a funding increase for the NEA. The letter was initiated by Senator Tom Udall (D-NM). There are 20 signatories.

Senate Arts Report Card

Senator	Party-State	Score	Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6
Mark Begich	D-AK	60	B	○	●	●	○	○	●
Lisa A. Murkowski	R-AK	34	C	○	●	○	○	●	○
Jeff Sessions	R-AL	0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Richard C. Shelby	R-AL	56	B	○	●	●	○	○	○
Blanche Lincoln	D-AR	56	B	○	●	●	○	○	○
Mark Pryor	D-AR	56	B	○	●	●	○	○	○
Jon L. Kyl	R-AZ	0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
John McCain	R-AZ	0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Barbara Boxer	D-CA	96	A+	●	●	●	●	●	○
Dianne Feinstein	D-CA	68	B+	○	●	●	●	●	○
Michael Bennet	D-CO	56	B	○	●	●	○	○	○
Mark Udall	D-CO	28	C	○	●	○	○	○	○
Christopher J. Dodd	D-CT	100	A+	●	●	●	●	●	●
Joseph I. Lieberman	I-CT	62	B+	●	○	●	○	●	○
Thomas R. Carper	D-DE	56	B	○	●	●	○	○	○
Edward E. Kaufman	D-DE	84	A	●	●	●	○	○	○
George LeMieux	R-FL	<i>Didn't take office until 9/10/09</i>	0	F	○	○	○	○	○
Bill Nelson	D-FL	56	B	○	●	●	○	○	○
Saxby Chambliss	R-GA	6	D	○	○	○	●	○	○
Johnny Isakson	R-GA	12	D+	○	○	○	●	●	○
Daniel K. Akaka	D-HI	94	A+	●	●	●	○	●	●
Daniel K. Inouye	D-HI	84	A	●	●	●	○	○	○
Charles E. Grassley	R-IA	0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Tom Harkin	D-IA	84	A	●	●	●	○	○	○

● indicates arts-friendly position ○ indicates opposition or no action taken on arts-friendly position * indicates a missed vote

Senator	Party-State		Score	Grade	1	2	3	4	5	6
Jim Risch	R-ID		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Michael D. Crapo	R-ID		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Richard J. Durbin	D-IL		96	A+	●	●	●	●	●	○
Roland Burris	D-IL		84	A	●	●	●	○	○	○
Evan Bayh	D-IN		12	D+	○	○	○	●	●	○
Richard G. Lugar	R-IN		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Sam Brownback	R-KS		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Pat Roberts	R-KS		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Jim Bunning	R-KY		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Mitch McConnell	R-KY		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Mary L. Landrieu	D-LA		90	A	●	●	●	○	●	○
David Vitter	R-LA		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Scott Brown	R-MA	Didn't take office until 2/04/10	0	Inc				○	○	○
John F. Kerry	D-MA		94	A+	●	●	●	●	○	●
Benjamin L. Cardin	D-MD		66	B+	○	●	●	●	○	●
Barbara A. Mikulski ¹	D-MD		72	B+	○	●	●	○	●	○
Susan M. Collins	R-ME		34	C	○	●	○	○	●	○
Olympia J. Snowe	R-ME		28	C	○	●	○	○	○	○
Carl Levin	D-MI		88	A	●	●	●	○	○	●
Debbie Stabenow	D-MI		72	B+	○	●	●	●	●	●
Al Franken ²	D-MN	Didn't take office until 7/07/09	56	A		●	●	○	○	○
Amy Klobuchar	D-MN		6	D	○	○	○	○	●	○
Christopher S. Bond	R-MO		56	B	○	●	●	○	○	○
Claire McCaskill	D-MO		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Thad Cochran	R-MS		68	B+	○	●	●	●	●	○
Roger Wicker	R-MS		34	C	○	○	●	○	●	○
Max Baucus	D-MT		56	B	○	●	●	○	○	○
Jon Tester	D-MT		56	B	○	●	●	○	○	○
Richard Burr	R-NC		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Kay R. Hagan	D-NC		90	A	●	●	●	○	●	○
Kent Conrad	D-ND		28	C	○	●	○	○	○	○
Byron L. Dorgan	D-ND		62	B+	○	●	●	○	●	○
Mike Johanns	R-NE		6	D	○	○	○	○	●	○
Benjamin Nelson	D-NE		62	B+	○	●	●	○	●	○
Judd Gregg	R-NH		0	F	*	○	○	○	○	○
Jeanne Shaheen	D-NH		90	A	●	●	●	○	●	○
Frank Lautenberg	D-NJ		94	A+	●	●	●	○	●	●
Robert Menendez	D-NJ		94	A+	●	●	●	○	●	●
Jeff Bingaman	D-NM		68	B+	○	●	●	●	●	○
Tom Udall	D-NM		72	B+	○	●	●	●	●	●
John Ensign	R-NV		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Harry Reid*	D-NV		90	A	●	●	●	○	●	○
Kirsten Gillibrand	D-NY		100	A+	●	●	●	●	●	●
Charles E. Schumer	D-NY		72	B+	○	●	●	●	●	●
Sherrod Brown	D-OH		72	B+	○	●	●	●	●	●
George V. Voinovich	R-OH		28	C	○	●	○	○	○	○
Thomas A. Coburn	R-OK		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
James M. Inhofe	R-OK		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Jeff Merkley	D-OR		56	B	○	●	●	○	○	○
Ron Wyden	D-OR		60	B	○	●	●	○	○	●
Robert P. Casey	D-PA		56	B	○	●	●	○	○	○
Arlen Specter	D-PA		62	B+	○	●	●	○	●	○
Jack Reed	D-RI		94	A+	●	●	●	○	●	●
Sheldon Whitehouse	D-RI		110	A+	●	●	●	●	●	●
Jim DeMint	R-SC		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○

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Lindsey O. Graham	R-SC		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Tim Johnson	D-SD		72	B+	○	●	●	●	●	●
John Thune	R-SD		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Lamar Alexander	R-TN		28	C	○	○	●	○	○	○
Bob Corker	R-TN		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
John Cornyn	R-TX		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Kay Bailey Hutchison	R-TX		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Robert F. Bennett	R-UT		50	C+	○	○	●	●	●	○
Orrin G. Hatch	R-UT		6	D	○	○	○	○	●	○
Mark Warner	D-VA		56	B	○	●	●	○	○	○
James H. Webb	D-VA		62	B+	●	○	●	○	●	○
Patrick J. Leahy	D-VT		104	A+	●	●	●	●	○	●
Bernard Sanders	I-VT		94	A+	●	●	●	●	○	●
Maria Cantwell	D-WA		56	B	○	●	●	○	○	○
Patty Murray	D-WA		62	B+	○	●	●	○	●	○
Russ Feingold	D-WI		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Herbert H. Kohl	D-WI		34	C	○	●	○	○	●	○
Robert C. Byrd	D-WV	<i>Died in office in June 2010</i>	0	F	○	*	*	○	○	○
Jay Rockefeller	D-WV		94	A+	●	●	●	○	●	●
John Barrasso	R-WY		0	F	○	○	○	○	○	○
Michael B. Enzi ¹	R-WY		16	D+	○	○	○	○	●	○

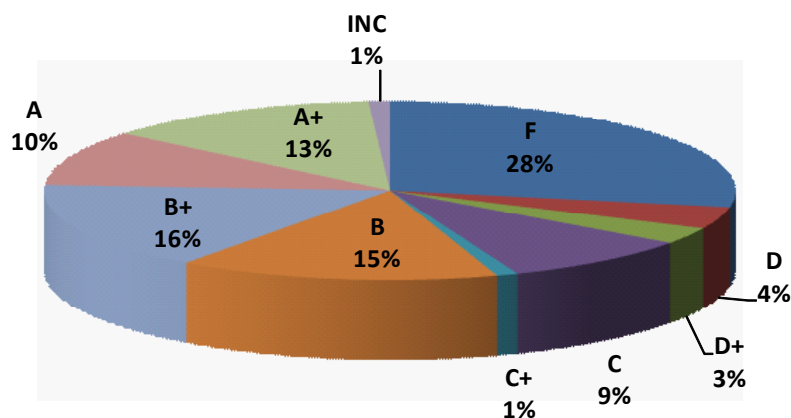
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* Unofficial Member of the Senate Cultural Caucus

¹ Ten bonus points added for Senate Cultural Caucus leadership

² Sen. Franken's grade was adjusted to reflect the votes that took place when he was seated, and didn't include the vote that took place prior to his being sworn in.

Senate Grade Distribution



GRADE	NO. OF GRADES
A+	13
A	10
B+	16
B	15
C+	1
C	9
D+	3
D	4
F	28
INC	1