Petty, Love Among KS Chamber Pro-Jobs Legislators

The Kansas Chamber has released its 2013 Pro-Jobs Legislator list based on legislators' support of sound business policy that strengthens our state's economy and attracts jobs.

"This session the Legislature tackled many tough issues and tremendous progress was made in many areas that have made Kansas one of the most economically competitive states in the region," said Kansas Chamber President and CEO Mike O'Neal. "The list of Pro-Jobs Legislators identifies lawmakers who voted at least 80 percent of the time to support a wide range of business issues and ensure the state's economic health during the last session. The business community thanks these individuals for working to limit government and create jobs in Kansas."

After each legislative session, the Kansas Chamber lists the business friendly lawmakers who voted in support of the tenets of free enterprise. The Pro-Jobs Legislator list focuses solely on the core business issues that impact the state's economy. These issues range from initiatives aimed at creating a more business-friendly tax climate, containing healthcare costs, improving the legal climate, improving the workers compensation and unemployment compensation systems to promote a fair regulatory structure.

"Kansas businesses are working daily to keep their doors open and employees on the payroll. This legislative session Kansas moved forward with pro-business policies that help keep jobs in the state. The positive steps achieved this session would not have been possible without the efforts of pro-job legislators who understand the critical need for a healthy business climate," added Kansas Chamber Chair of the Board of Directors Ivan Crossland, CEO of Crossland Construction in Columbus, Kansas.

Pro-Jobs Legislators in the Kansas Senate

Mitch Holmes Jeff Melcher Steve Abrams Pat Apple Mark Kahrs Michael O'Donnell Tom Arpke Dan Kerschen Rob Olson Elaine Bowers Jeff King Ralph Ostmeyer Mary Pilcher Cook Terry Bruce Forrest Knox Jim Denning Garrett Love Larry Powell Dennis Pyle Les Donovan Julia Lynn Steve Fitzgerald Ty Masterson **Greg Smith** Susan Wagle

Pro-Jobs Legislators in the Kansas House of Representatives

Stephen Alford Amanda Grosserode Les Osterman John Barker Dan Hawkins Virgil Peck Sue Boldra Dennis Hedke Reid Petty John Bradford Phil Hermanson Joshua Powell Rob Bruchman Ron Highland Richard Proehl Steven Brunk Brett Hildabrand J.R. Claeys Marty Read Richard Carlson Kyle Hoffman Mike Houser Marc Rhoades Will Carpenter Ward Cassidy Jim Howell Allan Rothlisberg Susan Concannon Steve Huebert John Rubin Ken Corbet Ron Ryckman Mark Hutton Travis Couture-Lovelady Kasha Kellev Ronald Ryckman David Crum Jim Kelly Scott Schwab

Lance Kinzer Sharon Schwartz Peter DeGraaf Willie Dove Marvin Kleeb Joe Seiwert Jerry Lunn John Edmonds Clark Shultz Charles Macheers Arlen Siegfreid Joe Edwards Keith Esau Peggy Mast Gene Suellentrop John Ewy Craig McPherson Bill Sutton Kelly Meigs Shanti Gandhi Jack Thimesch Ray Merrick Randy Garber James Todd Mario Goico **Bob Montgomery** Jene Vickrey Connie O'Brien Troy Waymaster Ramon Gonzalez Brian Weber

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^{*} Please note that Rep. Siegfreid and Rep. Weber have given notice of retirement since the 2013 session.