

SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE: COMPARING THE CANDIDATES

CAMERON HENRY: 100% PRO-LIFE | WALT LEGER: 65% PRO-LIFE

State Representatives Cameron Henry (R-Metairie) and Walt Leger (D-New Orleans) are current candidates for the 2016-2019 Louisiana Speaker of the House. Louisiana Right to Life has published this document to educate both Representatives and citizens on the difference between the Pro-Life Voting Records, as compiled by Louisiana Right to Life, of the two candidates. Official scorecards can be obtained publicly at www.ProLifeLouisiana.org/Scorecard.

In the same manner that Louisiana Right to Life desires a Governor to have a pro-life record, we believe Louisiana deserves a pro-life Speaker of the House.

OVERVIEW OF REP. CAMERON HENRY'S PRO-LIFE VOTING RECORD

- Lifetime LARTL Voting Record: 100% Pro-Life (has not been absent on any votes scored)
- Authored pro-life HB 517 in 2008 to ban the public funding of human cloning.
- 2008-2011 Defender of Life Award Recipient

OVERVIEW OF REP. WALT LEGER'S PRO-LIFE VOTING RECORD

- Rep. Leger's lifetime pro-life voting record is 65% Pro-Life.
- During the 2012-2015 term, Rep. Leger avoided voting on 9 of the 16 pro-life votes scored. These absent votes are not reflected in the overall percentage.
- Rep. Leger has the fourth lowest Pro-Life Voting Record in the Louisiana House of Representatives.

Rep. Leger voted twice against defunding Planned Parenthood:

- HCR 11 (4/16/12) & HCR 54 (5/23/11)

Rep. Leger voted for government-funded abortions and human cloning:

- Voted to allow government funding for abortions of babies under 24 weeks gestation (HB 1274, Amendment B87A, 4/22/10)
- Voted to allow government funding of human cloning experimentation (HB 370, 4/15/08)

Rep. Leger's other significant anti-life votes:

- Voted to include overly broad psychological health exceptions for the health of the mother (HB 1274, Amendment B88, 4/22/10)
- Voted against protecting certain healthcare rights of conscience for all healthcare professionals in the public and private sectors. (HB 517, 4/15/08)

Rep. Leger chronically avoided important pro-life votes in 2014, 2013, and 2012:

- Abstained from vote requiring abortionists to have privileges at a local hospital. (HB 388, 3/31/14)
- Abstained from vote strengthening a Woman's Right to Know laws and human trafficking intervention. (HB 1262, 4/21/14)
- Abstained from vote on the "Heartbeat Bill" requiring the audible heartbeat of a child to be played during an ultrasound prior to an abortion. (SB 708, 8/1/12)
- Abstained from vote banning abortions at 20 weeks, based on fetal pain. (SB 766, 6/1/12)



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