

Senator Holtzclaw Voting History of SB72 – Elimination of the DROP Program

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Summary: SB72 was a contentious issue in the 2011 session and I consistently voted to close the program as it had been greatly abused. The House and Senate had slight differences in the final versions of SB72, forcing the bill to go to a Conference Committee to work out the differences. Once the bill came out of committee the Democrats attempted to filibuster the bill. Roll Call 59 was a cloture vote, closing debate on the bill. Roll Call 60 immediately followed concurring with the Conference Committee report. Both votes took place on March 22nd.

For the most part, scheduled votes on bills are known in advance. We receive no notice of when an executive amendment will be submitted or voted on. Gov. Bentley's office noted a conflict in the starting date to close the DROP program and sent an executive amendment to the legislature correcting the conflict on March 24th, two days after the initial votes. This was Roll Call 120. I was simply not present on the senate floor when this vote was taken so my vote is recorded as a "P". I was likely on the House floor, garnering support for another bill that was working its way through the House.

As readers can see, I clearly voted to support closing the DROP program. I can only assume that the inaccuracy in the AFRW report regarding my vote is based on their assumption that the final vote, Roll Call 120, was the vote for passage of SB72. I have spoken with the Legislative Chair for AFRW (she agrees in my synopsis) and we have both requested that a revised report be released by AFRW. To date (7/22/2011) this has not happened.

I support those organizations that work to hold legislators accountable to their votes, but am not shy about holding them accountable to providing accurate information to their membership regarding such. Anything less, discredits the importance of their work.

SB72 was voted on a total of 28 times, key votes:

Roll Call 59 – Voting on Cloture Petition; Conference Committee Report – Holtzclaw votes yes

Roll Call 60 – Voting to concur and adopt Conference Committee Report – Holtzclaw votes yes

Roll Call 120 – Voting to accept Executive (Governor) Amendment changing start date – Holtzclaw votes "P"

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03/22/2011 Committee adopted Roll Call 52 Roll 52

03/22/2011 Bedford motion to Non Concur lost Roll Call 51 Roll 51

03/22/2011 Conference Committee Requested

03/22/2011 Mask motion to Accede adopted Roll Call 55 Roll 55

03/22/2011 Speaker appoints Mask, McClendon and Buskey

03/22/2011 Conference Committee Appointed

03/22/2011 Hubbard (J) intended to vote "Yea"

03/22/2011 Conference Report 0 4

03/22/2011 [127883-1](#) Conference Committee on SB72 2011RS Substitute Offered

03/22/2011 Rules Committee Petition to Cease debate adopted Roll Call 59 Roll 59

03/22/2011 Marsh motion to Concur In and Adopt adopted Roll Call 60 Roll 60

03/22/2011 Returned to the House of Representatives

03/22/2011 Mask motion to Concur In and Adopt adopted Roll Call 56 Roll 56

03/22/2011 Hurst and Hubbard (J) intended to vote "Nay"

03/22/2011 Concurred in Conference Report

03/22/2011 Enrolled

03/22/2011 Signature Requested

03/24/2011 Forwarded to Governor

03/24/2011 [128421-1](#) Executive Amendment Offered

03/24/2011 Marsh motion to Concur In and Adopt adopted Roll Call 120 Roll 120

03/24/2011 House of Origin Concurs in Executive Amendment

03/24/2011 Mask motion to Concur In and Adopt adopted Roll Call 77 Roll 77

03/24/2011 Second House Concurs in Executive Amendment

03/24/2011 Enrolled

03/24/2011 Signature Requested

03/24/2011 Assigned Act No. 2011-27

03/24/2011 Forwarded to Governor at 4:15 p.m. on March 24, 2011

Roll For Vote 59 on SB72 - Windows Internet Explorer

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Roll of the Senate for Vote 59 on SB72 (Regular Session 2011)

Member	Vote	Member	Vote
Allen	Y	Beasley	N
Beason	P	Bedford	N
Blackwell	Y	Brewbaker	Y
Brooks	Y	Busman	Y
Coleman	N	Dial	Y
Dunn	N	Fielding	N
Figures	N	Glover	Y
Holley	Y	Holtzclaw	Y
Irons	N	Keahey	N
Marsh	Y	McGill	Y
Orr	Y	Pittman	Y
Reed	Y	Ross	N
Sanders	N	Sanford	Y
Scotfield	Y	Singleton	N
Smith	N	Smitherman	N
Taylor	Y	Waggoner	Y
Ward	Y	Whatley	Y
Williams	Y		
Total Yea	21	Legislative Day	6
Total Nay	13	Legislative Date	03/22/2011
Total Abs.	0	Vote ID	59

Y = Yea, N = Nay, A = Abstain, P = Pass (Not Voting or Not Present)

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Roll of the Senate for Vote 60 on SB72 (Regular Session 2011)

Member	Vote	Member	Vote
Allen	Y	Beasley	N
Beason	Y	Bedford	N
Blackwell	Y	Brewbaker	N
Brooks	Y	Bussman	Y
Coleman	N	Dial	Y
Dunn	P	Fielding	N
Figures	N	Glover	Y
Holley	Y	Hotzclaw	Y
Irons	N	Keahey	N
Marsh	Y	McGill	Y
Orr	Y	Pitman	Y
Reed	Y	Ross	N
Sanders	N	Sanford	Y
Scofield	Y	Singleton	N
Smith	Y	Smitherman	N
Taylor	Y	Waggoner	Y
Ward	N	Whateley	Y
Williams	Y		
Total Yea	21	Legislative Day	6
Total Nay	13	Legislative Date	03/22/2011
Total Abs	0	Vote ID	60

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Amendment 128421-1 for SB72 (Regular Session 2011)

To The Senate of Alabama
Alabama State House
11 South Union Street
Montgomery, AL 36130

Ladies and Gentlemen:

I am returning to you, the body in which it originated, Senate Bill 72, without my signature, but with the following Executive Amendment:

EXECUTIVE AMENDMENT SENATE BILL 72:

Please amend Bill 72, on page 3, line 14, by adding at the end of the sentence, after the word "DROP", the following: ", and shall be made no later than the effective date of this act." And, add the following sentence immediately thereafter: "A member must be eligible to participate, as provided above, at the time the application is made."

Please further amend the bill on page 5, line 10, by striking through the following: "(m) No person may begin participation in DROP after April 1, 2011."

Please further amend the bill on page 7, line 15, by adding to the end of the sentence, after the word "DROP" the

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Roll for Vote 120 on SB72 - Windows Internet Explorer

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Roll of the Senate for Vote 120 on SB72 (Regular Session 2011)

Member	Vote	Member	Vote
Allen	P	Beasley	Y
Beason	Y	Bedford	Y
Blackwell	Y	Brewbaker	Y
Brooks	Y	Bussman	Y
Coleman	Y	Dial	Y
Dunn	Y	Fielding	Y
Figures	Y	Glover	Y
Holley	Y	Holtzclaw	P
Irons	Y	Keasley	Y
Marsh	Y	McGil	Y
Orr	Y	Pitman	Y
Reed	Y	Ross	Y
Sanders	Y	Sanford	P
Scofield	Y	Singleton	Y
Smith	Y	Smitherman	Y
Taylor	P	Waggoner	Y
Ward	P	Whatley	Y
Williams	Y		
Total Yea:	30	Legislative Day:	7
Total Nay:	0	Legislative Date:	03/24/2011
Total Abs:	0	Vote ID:	120

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