

Democratic Environmental Caucus of Florida

WHICH STATE LAWMAKERS ARE MAKING THE GRADE... **ENVIRONMENTALLY?**



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If you are a member of the Florida House or Senate, you may come home one day soon to see your name and picture circulating to neighbors and constituents in Facebook on a "legislative report card".

It'll have a big fat grade on it, based on what environmentalists think of your voting record our affecting water, air, climate change, renewable energy, species protection. parks, managed growth, and nature preservation.

For two years the statewide Democratic Environmental Caucus of Florida has monitored legislators' votes on proposed bills affecting state lands or water quality, and grading them on its Legislative Environmental Report Cards. Grades can range from A to F.

Caucus leaders Alvin Peters and John Hedrick, both attorneys, and Jill Yelverton, a former reporter, have been assembling the report cards and are beginning to distribute the report cards as targeted advertising into selected legislators' districts.

As for why they chose this method, Caucus President Hedrick explained, "No one's done it this way before... these report cards will tell the facts about how these lawmakers are watching out for our resources, and for the people who live on the land and drink the water."

"The environment polls very high with Florida voters, but some legislators aren't listening," added Yelverton.

Readers can see all the report cards at www.environmentalcaucus.com.