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RLCers Run for Congress, CA Assembly

RLC members in California and Colorado have launched bids for GOP primary races in recent weeks.

Bill Eggers, profiled in an article last spring in *Republican Liberty*, officially threw his hat into the ring for the 53rd California Assembly seat, being vacated by the incumbent Democrat running for State Senate. Penn Pfiffner, a former Colorado Libertarian Party state chair, is a three-term incumbent in that state's 23rd House district and has formed an exploratory committee to seek the open seat in Colorado's 6th Congressional district.

Both candidates will be helped by the RLC's PAC, the Republican Liberty Federal Campaign Fund.

Bill Eggers

Eggers stepped down last month from the Reason Foundation's privatization project after filing his declaration of intention to run in that state's June 2 primary for the open Assembly district seat. He mulled the race over during 1997 and reports a strong positive response to the article in *RL* last year touting his prospective bid. This race is bigger than many state's statewide campaigns with over 250,000 voters and budgets upwards to a million dollars for an Assembly seat.

"The situation is still fluid," Eggers reports, with a number of grass roots type candidates surfacing in the GOP. Seven Democrats have also entered the fray. "This seat is one of the top three targets for the Republicans this year," Eggers noted, "with the state party working to solidify GOP control of this Assembly."

Houston Chronicle Endorses RLCer for Congress

The Feb. 1 *Houston Chronicle* editorial page featured an endorsement of Adonn Slone for the GOP primary bid in the Texas 9th Congressional district. This seat was held by Rep. Steve Stockman until retaken by Democrat tax collector Nick Lampson.

Slone, 60, is a lumber yard owner from the small town of Santa Fe, south of Houston, and a 20-year veteran Marine Corps bomber pilot. Slone is incoming president of the Texas Lumbermen's Association running in his first political contest.

He joined the RLC last year and appeared as a speaker at the Texas RLC Liberty Symposium held in July. He favors free trade, eliminating federal involvement in education and replacing the federal income tax with a national sales tax.

To date, Eggers has secured the endorsements of the California RLC and the chairman of the Republican Leadership Council, as well as those of incumbent Assemblymen Tom McClintock and Steve Baldwin, both of whom have been helped by the RLC.

The district is large, stretching from Torrance to Venice in the LAX area of the Los Angeles area coastline. Contributions are not limited and they can be directed to: Eggers for Assembly, 553 N. Pacific Coast Highway, Suite 160, Redondo Beach, CA 90277, (310) 784-9389.

Penn Pfiffner

Penn Pfiffner's recent bid to seek the 6th District in Colorado began with his 171 vote victory over the incumbent Democrat for the 23rd State House district, widening to 2,400 votes in the last election victory, turning the

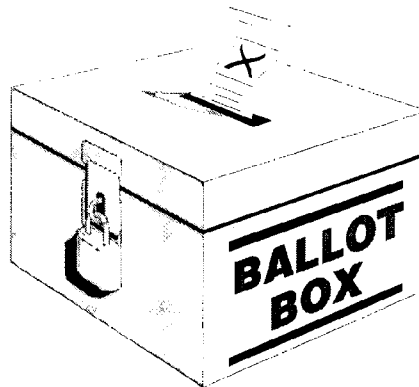
seat into a safe GOP holding. Colorado Republicans were shocked when incumbent Rep. Dan Schaefer announced the day after the Denver Broncos won the Super Bowl that he would not seek reelection this year after his 18-year stint in Congress.

This strong Republican congressional district follows a horseshoe shape around the eastern, southern and western suburban areas of the Denver metro area and encompasses over 16 State House and Senate districts including Pfiffner's.

"After announcing my candidacy, it feels like I'm in a Ferrari in 12th gear, with the scenery whizzing along in a blur," Pfiffner observed. "We've already lined up campaign management and staff, county campaign chairs, volunteers and consultants."

A construction economist, Pfiffner works as a consultant to small firms in the construction industry assisting them with financial operations and strategic planning. Pfiffner is one of three prospective candidates for the House speaker's position should he remain in the State House. He's particularly proud of his efforts to encourage privatization in Colorado, and was the key legislator behind getting

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Index: Paul Earns Best Score *Ever*

With 100% on economics and 98% on Civil Liberties, the Texas Congressman Misses Perfect Score by Only One Vote

by Clifford F. Thies

Perhaps not surprisingly, the congressman who best represented the libertarian philosophy of the Republican Liberty Caucus in 1997 is its former chairman, U.S. Rep. Ron Paul (R-TX).

The 1998 Republican Liberty Caucus Index of the U.S. Congress, like previous ones, is based on 40 votes, 20 in each of two components: economics and civil liberties. In the area of economics, votes include the balanced budget amendment, property rights, foreign aid, defense spending and the space station. In the area of civil liberties, votes include the term limits constitutional amendment, school choice, campaign finance reform, minority set-asides, tobacco and flag desecration.

As in the past, there is a clear difference between Republicans and Democrats on economic issues. For the average member of Congress, this difference—on a scale of 0 to 100—is 40 to 50 points. If anything, this difference is even larger than it was in the past.

Also as in the past, there was less of a difference between Republicans and Democrats on personal liberties. However, the gap that was formerly small appears to have widened. Democrats are increasingly the party of foreign interventionism, quotas, extending the war on drugs to tobacco and regulating political speech.

In the Senate, Kyl (R-AZ) achieved the highest combined score, 87. Kyl got a near perfect score of 95 in the economics component. His one bad vote was on the space station, the multi-billion dollar boondoggle that turns many otherwise rational people into trekkie-socialists. Tied for the lowest overall score with 15 were Boxer (D-CA) and Akaka (D-HI). These two comrades got zeros in the economics component.

In the House of Representatives, the highest combined score

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the 27,000 state employee workforce on a performance based pay system, as opposed to seniority.

Early contributions to his exploratory committee are urgently required, and should be directed to: Pffnner for Congress, c/o Kirk Schueler, 2595 Willow Lane, Lakewood CO, 80215. Pffnner can also be reached at home (303) 988-3717.

ever, 98, was achieved by Ron Paul (R-TX). Other very high combined scores, good enough to win in past years, were turned in by Shaddegg (R-AZ), 86, Hayworth (R-AZ) and Rohrabacher (R-CA), 85. Dr. Paul got the only perfect 100 this year, in the economics component. Hayworth, Rohrabacher, Royce (R-CA), Miller (R-FL) and Chabot (R-OH) finished with near-misses. In addition, five Democrats got zeros on economics.

Dr. Paul scored the first ever near-miss on the personal liberties

component. It has always been difficult to calibrate this part of the index. Few people inside-the-beltway think libertarian, and sometimes I have been forced to construct an artificial libertarian position from off-setting liberal and conservative votes. This year, on the House side, I included a pro-life vote (no funding of organizations that perform abortions) and a pro-choice vote (no prohibition of privately-funded abortions in overseas military hospitals). Dr. Paul, being pro-life, got dinged on the latter of these two votes.

1997 RLC Index of Congress: Summary Statistics

	House	House-Rep	House-Dem	Senate	Senate-Rep	Senate-Dem
Economic	48	68	26	52	68	26
Civil	49	58	39	50	58	39
Libertarians	30	30	0	13	13	0
Enterprisers	144	141	3	35	35	0
Conservatives	32	27	5	6	5	1
Liberals	31	16	15	0	0	0
Moderates	165	13	152	32	2	30
Authoritarians	32	0	32	14	0	14

The first two rows are average scores. The last six rows are number of members of Congress so classified.

Liberty Index Classifications

Libertarians - Fiscally conservative yet socially tolerant, libertarians favor lower taxes, limited government and expanded personal liberty and responsibility.

Enterprisers - Free market conservatives who support economic freedom but are inconsistent on civil liberties issues.

Conservatives - Moderate free enterprisers who favor a large government role in shaping society, particularly in social issues.

Authoritarians - Believe in a strong state apparatus intervening extensively in economic and personal affairs.

Moderates - Support moderate government intervention in economic and personal affairs. Characterized by reliance on polls rather than principles.

Liberals - Favor strong government interference in economic affairs but are more *laissez faire* on personal liberties issues.

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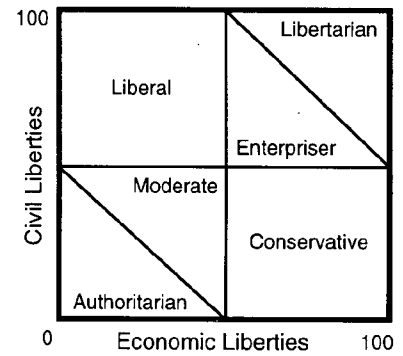
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The 1998 Liberty Index of the U.S. Congress

by Clifford Thies

The 1997 Liberty Index rates members of the U.S. Congress based on 40 roll call votes of 1996, divided evenly between economic and civil liberties/foreign policy issues. Once the economic and civil liberties indexes were calculated, the Congress members were classified by plotting their scores on the modified, two-dimensional New Political Spectrum.

In the index below, the letter "A" stands for authoritarian (or statist), "C" for conservative and "X" for liberal. The code letter "L" - or libertarian - indicate that a Congress member was clearly within the libertarian quadrant. The code letter "E" stands for enterpriser and "M" stands for moderate. See page 2 for a complete description of these classifications.



U.S. SENATE

Senator	Party	Economics	Civil	Comb.	Class	Senator	Party	Economics	Civil	Comb.	Class
AL Sessions	R	78	76	77	L	MT Burns	R	67	61	64	E
AL Shelby	R	78	71	74	E	MT Baucus	D	41	36	39	M
AK Murkowski	R	67	63	65	E	NE Hagel	R	67	76	71	E
AK Stevens	R	70	66	68	E	NE Kerrey	D	28	31	29	M
AZ Kyl	R	95	80	87	L	NV Bryan	D	41	36	39	M
AZ McCain	R	84	63	73	E	NV Reid	D	28	20	24	A
AR Hutchinson	R	84	61	72	E	NH Gregg	R	78	56	67	E
AR Bumpers	D	23	36	29	M	NH Smith	R	84	71	77	L
CA Boxer	D	0	31	15	A	NJ Lautenberg	D	28	26	27	M
CA Feinstein	D	28	26	27	M	NJ Torricelli	D	18	36	27	M
CO Allard	R	84	80	82	L	NM Domenici	R	62	66	64	E
CO Campbell	R	78	56	67	E	NM Bingaman	D	23	26	24	A
CT Dodd	D	28	31	29	M	NY D'Amato	R	51	61	56	E
CT Lieberman	D	46	41	43	M	NY Moynihan	D	41	46	44	M
DE Roth	R	78	41	59	C	NC Faircloth	R	73	80	76	L
DE Biden	D	25	26	25	M	NC Helms	R	73	80	76	L
FL Mack	R	78	61	69	E	ND Conrad	D	32	26	29	M
FL Graham	D	28	26	27	M	ND Dorgan	D	18	26	22	A
GA Coverdell	R	67	61	64	E	OH DeWine	R	62	66	64	E
GA Cleland	D	28	41	34	M	OH Glenn	D	32	28	30	M
HA Akaka	D	0	31	15	A	OK Inhofe	R	78	76	77	L
HA Inouye	D	18	41	30	M	OK Nickles	R	89	76	82	L
ID Craig	R	78	61	69	E	OR Smith	R	78	41	59	C
ID Kempthorne	R	70	61	65	E	OR Wyden	D	28	31	29	M
IL Durbin	D	9	31	20	A	PA Santorum	R	84	61	72	E
IL Moseley-Brown	D	18	36	27	M	PA Specter	R	41	46	44	M
IN Coats	R	84	71	77	L	RI Chafee	R	73	43	58	C
IN Lugar	R	89	51	70	E	RI Reed	D	18	26	22	A
IA Grassley	R	73	61	67	E	SC Thurmond	R	73	66	69	E
IA Harkin	D	18	36	27	M	SC Hollings	D	37	46	41	M
KS Brownback	R	84	66	75	E	SD Daschle	D	14	33	23	A
KS Roberts	R	70	66	68	E	SD Johnson	D	14	36	25	A
KY McConnell	R	73	61	67	E	TN Frist	R	67	61	64	E
KY Ford	D	28	26	27	M	TN Thompson	R	78	80	79	L
LA Breaux	D	51	46	48	C	TX Gramm	R	84	76	80	L
LA Landrieu	D	41	46	44	M	TX Hutchison	R	73	66	69	E
ME Collins	R	67	46	57	C	UT Bennett	R	67	56	62	E
ME Snowe	R	62	41	51	C	UT Hatch	R	73	61	67	E
MD Mikulski	D	14	28	21	A	VT Jeffords	R	46	36	41	M
MD Sarbanes	D	5	31	18	A	VT Leahy	D	14	49	31	M
MA Kennedy	D	21	38	29	M	VA Warner	R	78	58	68	E
MA Kerry	D	23	26	24	A	VA Robb	D	46	36	41	M
MI Abraham	R	73	61	67	E	WA Gorton	R	78	71	74	E
MI Levin	D	18	36	27	M	WA Murray	D	14	31	22	A
MN Grams	R	73	66	69	E	WV Byrd	D	37	26	31	M
MN Wellstone	D	18	31	25	A	WV Rockefeller	D	37	31	34	M
MS Cochran	R	67	56	62	E	WI Feingold	D	32	41	37	M
MS Lott	R	73	71	72	E	WI Kohl	D	46	46	46	M
MO Ashcroft	R	84	76	80	L	WY Enzi	R	84	71	77	L
MO Bond	R	67	56	62	E	WY Thomas	R	84	61	72	E

THE U.S. HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Representative	Party	Economics	Civil	Comb.	Class	Representative	Party	Economics	Civil	Comb.	Class
AL 01 Callahan	R	66	54	60	E	CO 03 McInnis	R	75	54	65	E
AL 02 Everett	R	63	67	65	E	CO 04 Shaffer	R	77	60	69	E
AL 03 Riley	R	66	65	66	E	CO 05 Hefley	R	82	69	76	L
AL 04 Aderholt	R	59	69	64	E	CO 06 Schaefer	R	66	56	61	E
AL 05 Cramer	D	28	35	32	M	CT 01 Kennelly	D	22	29	26	M
AL 06 Bachus	R	69	56	63	E	CT 02 Gejdenson	D	25	35	30	M
AL 07 Hilliard	D	14	52	33	X	CT 03 DeLauro	D	28	41	35	M
AK 01 Young	R	68	56	62	E	CT 04 Shays	R	68	41	55	C
AZ 01 Salmon	R	91	65	78	L	CT 05 Maloney	D	39	41	40	M
AZ 02 Pastor	D	6	46	26	M	CT 06 Johnson	R	44	23	34	M
AZ 03 Stump	R	68	74	71	E	DE 01 Castle	R	59	46	53	C
AZ 04 Shaddegg	R	93	78	86	L	FL 01 Scarborough	R	82	71	77	L
AZ 05 Kolbe	R	63	60	62	E	FL 02 Boyd	D	28	23	26	M
AZ 06 Hayworth	R	95	74	85	L	FL 03 Brown	D	14	46	30	M
AR 01 Berry	D	44	35	40	M	FL 04 Fowler	R	73	56	65	E
AR 02 Snyder	D	28	35	32	M	FL 05 Thurman	D	11	23	17	A
AR 03 Hutchinson	R	77	52	65	E	FL 06 Stearns	R	86	60	73	E
AR 04 Dickey	R	68	60	64	E	FL 07 Mica	R	63	56	60	E
CA 01 Riggs	R	61	41	51	C	FL 08 McCollum	R	68	56	62	E
CA 02 Herger	R	66	65	66	E	FL 09 Bilirakis	R	63	56	60	E
CA 03 Fazio	D	17	41	29	M	FL 10 Young	R	50	56	53	X
CA 04 Doolittle	R	70	69	70	E	FL 11 Davis	D	28	17	23	A
CA 05 Matsui	D	6	35	21	A	FL 12 Canady	R	68	65	67	E
CA 06 Woolsey	D	25	41	33	M	FL 13 Miller	R	95	54	75	E
CA 07 Miller	D	31	38	35	M	FL 14 Goss	R	82	52	67	E
CA 08 Pelosi	D	14	32	23	A	FL 15 Weldon	R	59	65	62	E
CA 09 Dellums	D	30	46	38	M	FL 16 Foley	R	77	56	67	E
CA 10 Tauscher	D	39	35	37	M	FL 17 Meek	D	3	43	23	A
CA 11 Pombo	R	68	71	70	E	FL 18 Ros-Lehtinen	R	75	52	64	E
CA 12 Lantos	D	30	32	31	M	FL 19 Wexler	D	14	41	28	M
CA 13 Stark	D	36	38	37	M	FL 20 Deutsch	D	39	35	37	M
CA 14 Eshoo	D	41	41	41	M	FL 21 Diaz-Balart	R	50	46	48	M
CA 15 Campbell	R	77	52	65	E	FL 22 Shaw	R	73	56	65	E
CA 16 Lofgen	D	17	41	29	M	FL 23 Hastings	D	8	46	27	M
CA 17 Farr	D	19	49	34	M	GA 01 Kingston	R	86	71	79	L
CA 18 Condit	D	68	49	59	C	GA 02 Bishop	D	8	23	16	A
CA 19 Radanovich	R	68	56	62	E	GA 03 Collins	R	79	60	70	E
CA 20 Dooley	D	33	32	33	M	GA 04 McKinney	D	33	35	34	M
CA 21 Thomas	R	63	46	55	C	GA 05 Lewis	D	25	43	34	M
CA 22 Capps	D	28	43	36	M	GA 06 Gingrich	R			0	
CA 23 Gallegly	R	63	56	60	E	GA 07 Barr	R	91	69	80	L
CA 24 Sherman	D	44	35	40	M	GA 08 Chambliss	R	59	63	61	E
CA 25 McKeon	R	77	60	69	E	GA 09 Deal	R	82	60	71	E
CA 26 Berman	D	30	41	36	M	GA 10 Norwood	R	73	69	71	E
CA 27 Rogan	R	68	49	59	C	GA 11 Linder	R	68	65	67	E
CA 28 Drier	R	66	54	60	E	HI 01 Abercrombie	D	17	46	32	M
CA 29 Waxman	D	33	38	36	M	HI 02 Mink	D	11	41	26	M
CA 30 Becerra	D	11	46	29	M	ID 01 Chenoweth	R	79	65	72	E
CA 31 Martinez	D	14	32	23	A	ID 02 Crapo	R	77	60	69	E
CA 32 Dixon	D	6	41	24	A	IL 01 Rush	D	19	43	31	M
CA 33 Roybal-Allard	D	11	46	29	M	IL 02 Jackson	D	28	46	37	M
CA 34 Torres	D	3	35	19	A	IL 03 Lipinski	D	22	46	34	M
CA 35 Waters	D	11	52	32	X	IL 04 Guitierrez	D	25	35	30	M
CA 36 Harman	D	41	29	35	M	IL 05 Blagojevich	D	44	35	40	M
CA 37 Millender-McD.	D	3	46	25	A	IL 06 Hyde	R	41	56	49	X
CA 38 Horn	R	50	46	48	M	IL 07 Davis	D	19	46	33	M
CA 39 Royce	R	95	71	83	L	IL 08 Crane	R	84	69	77	L
CA 40 Lewis	R	41	43	42	M	IL 09 Yates	D	28	43	36	M
CA 41 Kim	R	59	46	53	C	IL 10 Porter	R	59	43	51	C
CA 42 Brown	D	8	43	26	M	IL 11 Weller	R	44	65	55	X
CA 43 Calvert	R	59	46	53	C	IL 12 Costello	D	28	41	35	M
CA 44 Bono	R	59	69	64	E	IL 13 Fawell	R	63	35	49	C
CA 45 Rohrabacher	R	95	74	85	L	IL 14 Hastert	R	63	56	60	E
CA 46 Sanchez	D	22	29	26	M	IL 15 Ewing	R	50	52	51	X
CA 47 Cox	R	89	63	76	L	IL 16 Manzullo	R	77	67	72	E
CA 48 Packard	R	50	52	51	X	IL 17 Evans	D	22	41	32	M
CA 49 Bilbray	R	59	52	56	E	IL 18 LaHood	R	50	56	53	X
CA 50 Filner	D	11	46	29	M	IL 19 Poshard	D	28	52	40	X
CA 51 Cunningham	R	77	56	67	E	IL 20 Shimkus	R	59	60	60	E
CA 52 Hunter	R	77	69	73	E	IN 01 Viclosky	D	33	35	34	M
CO 01 DeGette	D	36	38	37	M	IN 02 McIntosh	R	84	69	77	L
CO 02 Skaggs	D	28	41	35	M	IN 03 Roemer	D	39	23	31	M

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IN 04 Souder	R	86	65	76	L	MS 02 Thompson	D	8	41	25	A
IN 05 Buyer	R	61	60	61	E	MS 03 Pickering	R	68	54	61	E
IN 06 Burton	R	82	74	78	L	MS 04 Parker	R	59	60	60	E
IN 07 Pease	R	68	56	62	E	MS 05 Taylor	D	63	60	62	E
IN 08 Hostettler	R	84	60	72	E	MO 01 Clay	D	14	52	33	X
IN 09 Hamilton	D	22	23	23	A	MO 02 Talent	R	82	69	76	L
IN 10 Carson	D	17	46	32	M	MO 03 Gephardt	D	22	32	27	M
IA 01 Leach	R	63	41	52	C	MO 04 Skelton	D	33	35	34	M
IA 02 Nussle	R	68	63	66	E	MO 05 McCarthy	D	30	41	36	M
IA 03 Boswell	D	28	41	35	M	MO 06 Danner	D	50	41	46	M
IA 04 Ganske	R	77	52	65	E	MO 07 Blunt	R	63	56	60	E
IA 05 Latham	R	68	56	62	E	MO 08 Emerson	R	59	60	60	E
KS 01 Moran	R	77	65	71	E	MO 09 Hulshof	R	77	65	71	E
KS 02 Ryun	R	86	74	80	L	MT 01 Hill	R	59	60	60	E
KS 03 Snowbarger	R	73	65	69	E	NE 01 Bereuter	R	54	41	48	C
KS 04 Tiaht	R	82	65	74	E	NE 02 Christensen	R	79	60	70	E
KY 01 Whitfield	R	73	65	69	E	NE 03 Barrett	R	52	56	54	E
KY 02 Lewis	R	61	58	60	E	NV 01 Ensign	R	93	69	81	L
KY 03 Northrup	R	59	52	56	E	NV 02 Gibbons	R	84	54	69	E
KY 04 Bunning	R	57	60	59	E	NH 01 Sununu	R	91	52	72	E
KY 05 Rogers	R	50	56	53	X	NH 02 Bass	R	77	49	63	C
KY 06 Baesler	D	22	29	26	M	NJ 01 Andrews	D	54	29	42	C
LA 01 Livingston	R	54	52	53	E	NJ 02 LoBiondo	R	73	65	69	E
LA 02 Jefferson	D	14	38	26	M	NJ 03 Saxton	R	44	56	50	X
LA 03 Tauzin	R	54	56	55	E	NJ 04 Smith	R	66	49	58	C
LA 04 McCrery	R	59	56	58	E	NJ 05 Roukema	R	59	29	44	C
LA 05 Cooksey	R	59	56	58	E	NJ 06 Pallone	D	50	20	35	M
LA 06 Baker	R	47	60	54	X	NJ 07 Franks	R	63	46	55	C
LA 07 John	D	28	29	29	M	NJ 08 Paccrell	D	39	29	34	M
ME 01 Allen	D	28	41	35	M	NJ 09 Rothman	D	22	29	26	M
ME 02 Balducci	D	33	38	36	M	NJ 10 Payne	D	28	54	41	X
MD 01 Gilchrest	R	41	56	49	X	NJ 11 Frelinghuysen	R	63	46	55	C
MD 02 Ehrlich	R	77	46	62	C	NJ 12 Pappas	R	82	60	71	E
MD 03 Cardin	D	33	35	34	M	NJ 13 Menendez	D	33	29	31	M
MD 04 Wynn	D	6	29	18	A	NM 01 Schiff	R	57	60	59	E
MD 05 Hoyer	D	28	32	30	M	NM 02 Skeen	R	50	41	46	M
MD 06 Bartlett	R	77	69	73	E	NM 03 Redmond	R	54	60	57	E
MD 07 Cummings	D	8	41	25	A	NY 01 Forbes	R	57	60	59	E
MD 08 Morella	R	50	35	43	M	NY 02 Lazio	R	52	29	41	C
MA 01 Olver	D	33	41	37	M	NY 03 King	R	44	56	50	X
MA 02 Neal	D	28	41	35	M	NY 04 McCarthy	D	39	29	34	M
MA 03 McGovern	D	22	35	29	M	NY 05 Ackerman	D	6	38	22	A
MA 04 Frank	D	30	41	36	M	NY 06 Flake	D	14	38	26	M
MA 05 Meehan	D	44	52	48	X	NY 07 Manton	D	11	29	20	A
MA 06 Tierney	D	33	46	40	M	NY 08 Nadler	D	28	43	36	M
MA 07 Markey	D	44	35	40	M	NY 09 Schumer	D	36	41	39	M
MA 08 Kennedy	D	33	35	34	M	NY 10 Towns	D	17	38	28	M
MA 09 Moakley	D	22	35	29	M	NY 11 Owens	D	17	41	29	M
MA 10 Delahunt	D	22	32	27	M	NY 12 Velazquez	D	22	52	37	X
MI 01 Stupak	D	19	41	30	M	NY 13 Molinari	R	68	46	57	C
MI 02 Hoekstra	R	91	67	79	L	NY 14 Maloney	D	22	41	32	M
MI 03 Ehlers	R	59	69	64	E	NY 15 Rangel	D	11	41	26	M
MI 04 Camp	R	68	65	67	E	NY 16 Serrano	D	11	49	30	M
MI 05 Barcia	D	44	52	48	X	NY 17 Engel	D	17	35	26	M
MI 06 Upton	R	82	52	67	E	NY 18 Lowey	D	36	29	33	M
MI 07 Smith	R	91	67	79	L	NY 19 Kelly	R	50	52	51	X
MI 08 Stabenow	D	28	43	36	M	NY 20 Gilman	R	39	29	34	M
MI 09 Kildee	D	17	41	29	M	NY 21 McNulty	D	50	17	34	M
MI 10 Bonior	D	19	46	33	M	NY 22 Solomon	R	68	67	68	E
MI 11 Knollenberg	R	50	52	51	X	NY 23 Boehlert	R	47	35	41	M
MI 12 Levin	D	28	29	29	M	NY 24 McHugh	R	63	46	55	C
MI 13 Rivers	D	39	35	37	M	NY 25 Walsh	R	36	52	44	X
MI 14 Conyers	D	33	41	37	M	NY 26 Hinchey	D	25	41	33	M
MI 15 Kilpatrick	D	6	41	24	A	NY 27 Paxon	R	77	65	71	E
MI 16 Dingell	D	19	43	31	M	NY 28 Slaughter	D	25	35	30	M
MN 01 Gutknecht	R	68	60	64	E	NY 29 LaFalce	D	36	46	41	M
MN 02 Minge	D	36	46	41	M	NY 30 Quinn	R	59	52	56	E
MN 03 Ramstad	R	77	46	62	C	NY 31 Houghton	R	28	41	35	M
MN 04 Vento	D	28	46	37	M	NC 01 Clayton	D	11	43	27	M
MN 05 Sabo	D	17	41	29	M	NC 02 Etheridge	D	19	20	20	A
MN 06 Luther	D	54	41	48	C	NC 03 Jones	R	77	71	74	E
MN 07 Peterson	D	54	46	50	C	NC 04 Price	D	11	32	22	A
MN 08 Oberstar	D	19	54	37	X	NC 05 Burr	R	68	65	67	E
MS 01 Wicker	R	54	56	55	E	NC 06 Coble	R	82	60	71	E

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NC 07 McIntyre	D	44	35	40	M	TN 08 Tanner	D	28	26	27	M
NC 08 Hefner	D	14	35	25	A	TN 09 Ford	D	11	41	26	M
NC 09 Myrick	R	68	58	63	E	TX 01 Sandlin	D	22	17	20	A
NC 10 Ballenger	R	73	58	66	E	TX 02 Turner	D	17	35	26	M
NC 11 Taylor	R	73	60	67	E	TX 03 Johnson, S.	R	68	69	69	E
NC 12 Watt	D	6	46	26	M	TX 04 Hall	D	59	56	58	E
ND 01 Pomeroy	D	22	38	30	M	TX 05 Sessions	R	68	65	67	E
OH 01 Chabot	R	95	65	80	L	TX 06 Barton	R	68	65	67	E
OH 02 Portman	R	75	52	64	E	TX 07 Archer	R	73	54	64	E
OH 03 Hall	D	39	41	40	M	TX 08 Brady	R	61	69	65	E
OH 04 Oxley	R	52	41	47	C	TX 09 Lampson	D	11	29	20	A
OH 05 Gilmor	R	68	56	62	E	TX 10 Doggett	D	33	43	38	M
OH 06 Strickland	D	47	41	44	M	TX 11 Edwards	D	28	35	32	M
OH 07 Hobson	R	63	41	52	C	TX 12 Granger	R	59	56	58	E
OH 08 Boehner	R	63	60	62	E	TX 13 Thornberry	R	68	65	67	E
OH 09 Kaptur	D	36	17	27	M	TX 14 Paul	R	100	96	98	L
OH 10 Kucinich	D	44	29	37	M	TX 15 Hinojosa	D	11	41	26	M
OH 11 Stokes	D	6	38	22	A	TX 16 Reyes	D	14	41	28	M
OH 12 Kasich	R	86	60	73	E	TX 17 Stenholm	D	50	43	47	M
OH 13 Brown	D	44	41	43	M	TX 18 Jackson-Lee	D	14	46	30	M
OH 14 Sawyer	D	28	35	32	M	TX 19 Combest	R	68	65	67	E
OH 15 Pryce	R	73	54	64	E	TX 20 Gonzalez	D	28	56	42	X
OH 16 Regula	R	63	41	52	C	TX 21 Smith	R	68	52	60	E
OH 17 Traficant	D	50	56	53	X	TX 22 DeLay	R	70	65	68	E
OH 18 Ney	R	61	58	60	E	TX 23 Bonilla	R	57	74	66	E
OH 19 La Tourette	R	47	41	44	M	TX 24 Frost	D	11	32	22	A
OK 01 Largent	R	84	69	77	L	TX 25 Bentsen	D	11	29	20	A
OK 02 Coburn	R	84	82	83	L	TX 26 Armey	R	77	60	69	E
OK 03 Watkins	R	63	56	60	E	TX 27 Ortiz	D	19	35	27	M
OK 04 Watts	R	73	56	65	E	TX 28 Rodriguez	D	17	29	23	A
OK 05 Istook	R	82	76	79	L	TX 29 Green	D	22	41	32	M
OK 06 Lucas	R	63	69	66	E	TX 30 Johnson, E.	D	0	35	18	A
OR 01 Furse	D	17	49	33	M	UT 01 Hansen	R	68	56	62	E
OR 02 Smith	R	52	46	49	C	UT 02 Cook	R	68	56	62	E
OR 03 Blumenauer	D	44	41	43	M	UT 03 Cannon	R	77	74	76	L
OR 04 DeFazio	D	47	52	50	X	VT 01 Sanders	D	39	35	37	M
OR 05 Hooley	D	28	46	37	M	VA 01 Bateman	R	39	46	43	M
PA 01 Foglietta	D	19	46	33	M	VA 02 Pickett	D	28	23	26	M
PA 02 Fattah	D	17	52	35	X	VA 03 Scott	D	17	41	29	M
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PA 13 Fox	R	54	56	55	E	WA 03 Smith, L.	R	77	58	68	E
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PA 18 Doyle	D	54	35	45	C	WA 08 Dunn	R	66	60	63	E
PA 19 Goodling	R	77	65	71	E	WA 09 Smith, A.	D	39	23	31	M
PA 20 Mascara	D	44	23	34	M	WV 01 Mollohan	D	6	41	24	A
PA 21 English	R	44	63	54	X	WV 02 Wise	D	11	23	17	A
RI 01 Kennedy	D	28	32	30	M	WV 03 Rahall	D	11	35	23	A
RI 02 Weygand	D	39	41	40	M	WI 01 Neumann	R	91	60	76	L
SC 01 Sanford	R	91	69	80	L	WI 02 Klug	R	82	46	64	C
SC 02 Spence	R	63	56	60	E	WI 03 Kind	D	39	46	43	M
SC 03 Graham	R	68	67	68	E	WI 04 Kleczka	D	33	52	43	X
SC 04 Inglis	R	82	65	74	E	WI 05 Barrett	D	50	46	48	M
SC 05 Spratt	D	25	29	27	M	WI 06 Petri	R	77	65	71	E
SC 06 Clyburn	D	0	35	18	A	WI 07 Obey	D	44	54	49	X
SD 01 Thune	R	77	56	67	E	WI 08 Johnson	D	17	41	29	M
TN 01 Jenkins	R	59	65	62	E	WI 09 Sensenbrenner	R	93	60	77	L
TN 02 Duncan	R	86	69	78	L	WY 01 Cubin	R	70	54	62	E
TN 03 Wamp	R	91	69	80	L						
TN 04 Hilleary	R	82	65	74	E						
TN 05 Clement	D	33	29	31	M						
TN 06 Gordon	D	39	23	31	M						
TN 07 Bryant	R	68	65	67	E						

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Campus Notes

RLC Launches Campus Outreach Effort

In mid-January the RLC began an active campus outreach by e-mailing over 100 RLC members, College Republicans and student libertarians to announce the formation of recognized RLC campus affiliates.

The RLC has had several positive responses across the country and is working to develop strong organizations at each.

For assistance in developing an RLC campus affiliate at your campus, or to assist with outreach at a campus in your area, please contact RLC campus affiliate coordinator Ron Lisy (see below).

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Campus Coordinator Ron Lisy put together a group status outline to allow the RLC to keep track of RLC affiliates in an effective manner. While groups will move from category to category as they "mature," most groups will fit comfortably under the following labels:

Interest Groups - A group of people who have contacted the RLC or otherwise expresses interest in becoming an RLC affiliate.

Collaborating Group - An established student organization that the RLC has worked with on a specific project or election or on a long term basis that hasn't expressed an interest in becoming an official RLC affiliate.

Petitioning Group - An interest group that has organized to the point of becoming a recognized student group on campus, but does not have the strength or numbers to function as an active group on its own.

Affiliated Group - A "mature" student group on campus that has passed through the interest group and petitioning group stages (but not necessarily a collaborating group stage) and has gained the strength and/or numbers to be a functioning group in its own right.

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Lisy also drafted a campus affiliate mission statement to explicitly state an RLC campus affiliates goal:

The Republican Liberty Caucus campus affiliates will articulate libertarian philosophies on college campuses and develop a network of libertarian activists within the GOP. College RLC chapters will have a positive affect on campus politics, local campaigns and existing College Republican chapters, as well as contribute to ideological development at a time of life when political and philosophical values are being developed and reinforced.

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Notable Quotes

"In a state landscape of empty, content-free candidates, Bill Eggers stands almost alone as a sincere, committed individual, seeking office not in order to be something but in order to do something. Republicans who truly believe in the principles of personal liberty and fewer intrusive government regulations finally have a choice on the ballot."

-- Ron Unz, chairman, English for the Children

"[Bill Eggers is] one of the stars of the conservative/libertarian movement."

-- Adam Myerson, Vice President of the Heritage Foundation and editor of *Policy Review*

RLC Notes

Objectivists Reach Out to Libertarians

In January, Robert Bidinotto held a meeting in Washington DC on building bridges between Objectivists and libertarians.

Notably, Bidinotto apologized for past exaggerations and unfair criticisms of libertarians and suggested the two groups learn to cooperate. He finished his talk noting that "dogmatism, cultishness and intellectual arrogance are not key components of Objectivism."

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Libertarian Republican John Birch (no relation to the Society) is running unopposed in the Republican primary for the U.S. House in the 4th District of Illinois. While considered a district gerrymandered in order to insure a minority is elected, Birch considers running against Luis Gutierrez a patriotic endeavor. "I am convinced if we can get people to believe that the life line the government has thrown them has an anchor, not a life preserver, attached to the other end that we may make some progress. The Democrats treat their minority voters like sheep and not like free men."

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The Nevada RLC will be holding their first organizational meeting soon and launch a membership drive. The group is also discussing the possibility of sponsoring a California-type civil rights initiative for Nevada. NV RLC Chair Charles Muth attended the Republican National Committee winter meeting in Palm Springs in January.

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South magazine interviewed RLC Director Tom Walls and Georgia RLC coordinator Earle Smith for an upcoming article on libertarians. Walls described the RLC as "mainstream libertarians" and pointed out State Rep. William Clark and Steve Langford, who's running for governor, are sometimes described as libertarian.

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Four candidates are challenging U.S. Rep. Ron Paul for his Texas seat. The Democratic National Congressional Committee has targeted Paul for 1998, according to Chair U.S. Rep. Martin Frost, incredulous that a libertarian like Paul was ever elected.

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