**VOTE STUDY SCORES**

### IN THE HOUSE | 2015

1. **PRESIDENTIAL SUPPORT.** Percentage of recorded votes cast in 2015 in which President Barack Obama took a position and on which the member voted “yea” or “nay” in agreement with the president’s position. Failure to vote does not lower an individual’s score.

2. **PARTY UNITY.** Percentage of recorded votes cast in 2015 on which a senator voted “yea” or “nay” in agreement with a majority of his or her party. (Party Unity votes are those on which a majority of voting Democrats opposed a majority of voting Republicans.) Percentages are based on votes cast; thus, failure to vote does not lower a member’s score.

3. **PARTICIPATION IN PARTY UNITY VOTES.** Percentage of recorded votes cast in 2015 on which a member was eligible and present, and voted “yea” or “nay.” There were a total of 562 such recorded votes. Quorum calls, although they are included in the House list of recorded roll calls, are not counted as votes because lawmakers are asked only to respond “present.” There were two recorded quorum calls in 2015.

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1Rep. Darin LaHood, R-Ill., was sworn in on Sept. 17, 2015 to fill the seat vacated by the March 31, 2015 resignation of Rep. Aaron Schock, R-Ill. The last vote Schock was eligible for was Vote 144. Schock scored 11 percent for presidential support, 93 percent for party unity, and 88 percent for voting participation. The first vote LaHood was eligible for was Vote 498.

2Rep. Trent Kelly, R-Miss., was sworn in June 9, 2015, to fill the seat vacated by the Feb. 6, 2015 death of Rep. Alan Nunnelee, R-Miss. The last vote Nunnelee was eligible for was Vote 68. The first vote Donovan was eligible for was Vote 310.

3Rep. Dan Donovan, R-N.Y., was sworn in May 12, 2015, to fill the seat vacated by the Jan. 6, 2015 resignation of Rep. Michael G. Grimm, R-N.Y. Grimm resigned before any votes were taken in the 114th Congress. The first vote Donovan was eligible for was Vote 217.

4Rep. John A. Boehner, R-Ohio, resigned Oct. 31, 2015. The speaker votes at his discretion. The last vote for which he was eligible was Vote 581.