

Senate Votes/Positions – 2000 Regular Session

Sexual Orientation Non-Discrimination Act (SONDA) (S.782) - STATED POSITION:

Adds actual or perceived sexual orientation to the state's existing laws prohibiting discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodations, education, and credit on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, sex, disability, or marital status. **Pride Agenda's position: SUPPORT.**

Hate Crimes (S.4691A): Gov. Pataki's Hate Crimes Act of 2000: increases criminal penalties for enumerated crimes where there is evidence that the victim was selected in whole or in part because of the victim's actual or perceived sexual orientation, race, color, national origin, ancestry, gender, religion, age, or disability. Also mandates procedures for collecting and reporting data on bias crime incidents throughout the state. The bill passed 48-12 on June 7. **Pride Agenda's position: SUPPORT.**

Late Term Abortion (S.1638B): Creates the crime of "partial birth abortion", a class E felony. The bill's language is extremely vague and is an unnecessary intrusion upon a woman's right to choose. Passed the Senate 40 to 19 on June 7. **Pride Agenda's position: OPPOSE.**

+ = supported Pride Agenda's position - = opposed Pride Agenda ex = excused ab = absent

S = SONDA (position) HC = Hate Crimes LTA = Late Term Abortion

Senator	Party	County	S	HC	LTA
LONG ISLAND					
Balboni, Michael	R-C	Nassau	-	+	-
Fuschillo, Charles	R	Nassau, Suffolk	Undeclared	+	-
Hannon, Kemp	R-C	Nassau	-	+	-
Johnson, Owen	R-C	Suffolk	-	+	-
Lack, James	R-C	Suffolk	+	+	-
LaValle, Kenneth	R-C	Suffolk	-	+	-
Marcellino, Carl	R-C	Nassau, Suffolk	Undeclared	+	-
Skelos, Dean	R-C	Nassau	+1	+	-
Trunzo, Caesar	R-C	Suffolk	-	+	-

NEW YORK CITY/WESTCHESTER

Connor, Martin	D-L	Manhattan, Brooklyn	+	+	+
Duane, Tom	D	Manhattan	+	+	+
Gentile, Vincent	D-I	Brooklyn	+1	+	-
Gonzalez, Efrain	D-L	Bronx	+	+	ab
Goodman, Roy	R-L	Manhattan	+1	+	+
Hevesi, Dan	D	Queens	+	+	+
Kruger, Carl	D-L	Brooklyn	+	+	-
Lachman, Seymour	D-I-L	Brooklyn	Undeclared	+	-
Maltese, Serphin	R-C	Queens	-2	-	-
Marchi, John	R-D-C	Staten Island	-3	-	-
Markowitz, Marty	D	Brooklyn	+1	+	+
Mendez, Olga	D-L-IND	Bronx, Manhattan	+	ex	ex
Montgomery, Velmanette	D-L	Brooklyn	+	+	+
Onorato, George	D	Queens	+1	+	-
Oppenheimer, Suzi	D	Westchester	+	+	+
Padavan, Frank	R-C	Queens	-	+	-

Senator	Party	County	S	HC	LTA
Paterson, David	D-L	Manhattan	+	+	+
Rosado, David	D-R	Bronx	+	+	-
Sampson, John	D	Brooklyn	+	+	+
Santiago, Nellie	D-L	Brooklyn	+	+	+
Schneiderman, Eric	D	Manhattan	+1	+	+
Seabrook, Larry	D-L	Bronx, Westchester	+	+	+
Smith, Ada	D-L/NYC	Brooklyn, Queens	+	+	-
Smith, Malcolm	D	Queens	+	+	+
Spano, Nicholas	R-C	Westchester	+1	+	+
Stavisky, Toby	D-L-I	Queens	+1	+	+
Veella, Guy	R	Bronx, Westchester	-	+	-

UPSTATE

Alesi, James	R	Monroe	+	+	-
Bonacic, John	R	Delaware	-	+	-
Breslin, Neil	D	Albany	+	+	+
Bruno, Joseph	R-C	Rensselaer, Saratoga	-	+	-
Coppola, Alfred	D	Niagara, Erie	+	+	-
DeFrancisco, John	R-C	Onondaga	+1	-	-
Dollinger, Richard	D	Monroe	+	+	+
Farley, Hugh	R-C	Schenectady, Montgomery, Fulton	-	-	-
Hoffmann, Nancy Lorraine	R-I	Madison, Oneida, Onondaga	+	+	+
Kuhl, John	R-C	Steuben, Chemung, Schuyler, Yates	-3	-	-
Larkin, William	R-C	Orange, Ulster	-	-	-
Leibell, Vincent	R-C	Putnam, Westchester, Dutchess	-	+	-
Libous, Thomas	R-C	Broome, Tioga, Chenango	-	-	-
Maziarz, George	R-C	Niagara, Orleans, Monroe	Undeclared	-	-
McGee, Patricia	R-C	Chautauqua	-	-	-
Meier, Raymond	R-C	Herkimer, Lewis, Oneida	+	+	-
Morahan, Thomas	R-C	Rockland, Orange	+	+	-
Nozzolio, Michael	R-C	Wayne, Seneca, Cayuga	-	-	-
Rath, Mary Lou	R-C	Genesee, Erie	+	+	-
Saland, Stephen	R-C	Dutchess, Columbia	-	+	-
Seward, James	R	Chenango, Cortland, Herkimer, Otsego	-	+	-
Stachowski, William	D-C	Erie	-	+	-
Stafford, Ronald	R-C	Warren, Washington, Essex, Clinton	Undeclared	+	-
Volker, Dale	R-C	Livingston, Wyoming, Erie	-	-	-
Wright, James	R-C	Oswego, Jefferson, St. Lawrence	-	-	-

TOTAL TOTAL TOTAL

+ 33 + 48 + 19

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1 voted to advance SONDA out of committee

2 voted against advancing SONDA out of committee

3 voted "without recommendation" to advance SONDA out of committee

Assembly Votes – 2000 Regular Session

Sexual Orientation Non-Discrimination Act (SONDA) (A.811): Adds actual or perceived sexual orientation to the state's existing laws prohibiting discrimination in employment, housing, public accommodations, education, and credit on the basis of age, race, creed, color, national origin, sex, disability or marital status. Passed the Assembly for the seventh consecutive year on June 13 by a record margin of 109 to 39. **Pride Agenda's position: SUPPORT.**

Hate Crimes (A.1573/Bias Related Violence & Intimidation): Makes bias related violence and intimidation, including hate violence based on sexual orientation, a distinct criminal offense and mandates that the sentence for bias related violence or intimidation run consecutive to any other sentence imposed. Passed the Assembly on February 14 by 112 to 31. **Pride Agenda's position: SUPPORT.**

Dignity for All Students Act (A.9244): Amends New York Education Law to prohibit discrimination and harassment in public schools based on real or perceived race, ethnicity, national origin, religion, sex, gender, sexual orientation, or mental or physical disability. This bill was voted favorably out of the Education Committee and the Codes Committee. It now goes to the Ways and Means Committee and the Rules Committee, where it must be voted favorably upon in order for it to be released to the floor. **Pride Agenda's position: SUPPORT.** (Committee votes are indicated for Assemblymembers who sit on the relevant committees.)

Bereavement Leave (A.6661): Requires employers to grant bereavement leave to committed same-sex couples on the same basis as to married couples. Voted favorably out of Governmental Operations Committee, then out of Rules Committee onto floor. **Pride Agenda's position: SUPPORT.**

Insurance Non-Discrimination (A.5406): Prohibits sexual orientation discrimination in the underwriting and rating of insurance. Voted favorably out of Insurance Committee, then out of Rules Committee onto floor. **Pride Agenda's position: SUPPORT.**

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S = SONDA HC = Hate Crimes BL = Bereavement Leave IN = Insurance Non-Discrimination

Dignity for All Students Act: EC = Education Committee CC = Codes Committee

Senator	Party	County	S	HC	EC	CC	BL	IN
LONG ISLAND								
Acampora, Patricia	R-C	Suffolk	-	ex				
Alfano, Thomas W.	R	Nassau	+	+		+		+
Barraga, Thomas F.	R-C-RTL	Suffolk	-	-				
Boyle, Philip M.	R-C	Suffolk	+	+				+
Conte, James D.	R-C	Suffolk	+	+	-			
Darcy, James	R	Nassau	+	+	+		+	
DiNapoli, Thomas P.	D-L	Nassau	+	+	ab			
Englebright, Steve	D	Suffolk	+	+	+			
Ferrara, Donna	R	Nassau	+	+				+
Flanagan, John J.	R	Suffolk	+	+				
Harenberg, Paul E.	D	Suffolk	+	+				
Herbst, Marc	R-C	Nassau	-	-				
Hooper, Earlene Hill	D	Nassau	+	+	ab			
Labriola, Steven L.	R	Nassau	-	-	-			

Senator	Party	County	S	HC	EC	CC	BL	IN
Mazzarelli, Debra	D	Suffolk	+	+	+			
Murray, Kathleen	R	Nassau	+	+		+		
O'Connell, Maureen	R	Nassau	+	+				
Sidikman, David	D	Nassau	+	+				+
Sweeney, Robert K.	D	Suffolk	+	+	+			
Thiele, Fred	R	Suffolk	+	+				
Weisenberg, Harvey	D	Nassau	+	+	+			
Wertz, Robert C.	R	Suffolk	-	-				

NEW YORK CITY/WESTCHESTER

Abbate, Peter J.	D	Brooklyn	-	+				
Arroyo, Carmen E.	D	Bronx	+	+	+			
Aubry, Jeffrion L.	D	Queens	+	+				
Bea, Samuel D.	D	Bronx	+	+				
Boyland, William F.	D	Brooklyn	+	+				
Brennan, James F.	D	Brooklyn	+	+	+	+		
Brodsky, Richard L.	D	Westchester	+	+				
Butler, Denis J.	D	Queens	-	+				
Carrozza, Ann M.	D	Queens	+	+				+
Clark, Barbara M.	D	Queens	+	+	+			
Cohen, Adele	D	Brooklyn	+	+				+
Cohen, Michael	D	Queens	+	+				
Colton, William	D	Brooklyn	+	+				
Connelly, Elizabeth A.	D	Richmond	+1	+				
Cook, Vivian E.	D-L	Queens	+	+		+		+
Cymbowitz, Lena D.	D	Brooklyn	ex	ex				+
Davis, Gloria	D-L	Bronx	+	+				
Denis, Nelson	D	Manhattan	+	+				
Diaz, Ruben	D	Bronx	+	+	+		+	
Dinowitz, Jeffrey	D	Bronx	+	+			+	
Espallat, Adriano	D	Manhattan	+	+				+
Farrell, Herman D.	D	Manhattan	+	+				
Galef, Sandra R.	D	Westchester	+	+			+	
Glick, Deborah	D-L	Manhattan	+	+				
Gottfried, Richard N.	D-L	Manhattan	+	+				+
Grannis, Alexander B.	D-L	Manhattan	+	+				+
Green, Roger L.	D	Brooklyn	+	+		+		
Greene, Aurelia	D	Bronx	+	+	+			
Griffith, Edward	D-L	Brooklyn	ex	+	+			
Hikind, Dov	D	Brooklyn	-	ab				
Hochberg, Audrey G.	D	Westchester	+	+	+			
Jacobs, Rhoda S.	D-L	Brooklyn	+	+				ab
Kaufman, Stephen B.	D	Bronx	-	+				+
Klein, Jeffrey	D	Bronx	+	+		+		
Lafayette, Ivan C.	D	Queens	+	+				+
Lentol, Joseph R.	D	Brooklyn	+1	+		+		
Lopez, Vito	D	Brooklyn	+	+				
Markey, Margaret	D	Queens	+	+			+	
Matusow, Naomi	D	Westchester	+	+				
Mayersohn, Nettie	D-L	Queens	+	+			+	ab
McLaughlin, Brian M.	D	Queens	+	+				

2000 LEGISLATIVE SCORECARD

Senator	Party	County	S	HC	EC	CC	BL	IN
Millman, Joan L.	D	Brooklyn	+	+				
Nolan, Catherine T.	D	Queens	+	+				
Norman, Clarence	D	Brooklyn	+	ex		+		
Ortiz, Felix	D	Brooklyn	+	ex				
Perry, N. Nick	D	Brooklyn	+	+				+
Pheffer, Audrey I.	D	Queens	+	+				
Pretlow, James Gary	D	Westchester	+	+		+		+
Ramirez, Roberto	D	Bronx	+	+				
Ravitz, John	R	Manhattan	+	+		+		
Rhodd-Cummings, Pauline	D	Queens	+	+				
Rivera, Peter M.	D	Bronx	+	+				ab
Sanders, Steven	D-L	Manhattan	+	+	+			
Scarborough, William	D	Queens	+	+	+			
Seddio, Frank	D	Brooklyn	+	+				
Seminario, Anthony S.	D-C	Queens	-	+				
Silver, Sheldon	D	Manhattan	+	+				
Spano, Michael	R-C	Westchester	+	+				
Straniere, Robert A.	R-C-RTL	Richmond	+	+				
Stringer, Scott M.	D	Manhattan	+	+	+		+	
Sullivan, Edward C.	D	Manhattan	+	+				
Tocci, Ronald C.	D-C	Westchester	-	-	+			
Towns, Darryl C.	D	Brooklyn	+	+				
Vann, Albert	D-L	Brooklyn	+	+	+			
Vitaliano, Eric N.	D-C	Richmond	-	+				
Weinstein, Helene E.	D	Brooklyn	+	+		+		
Weprin, Mark	D	Queens	+	+		+		+
Wright, Keith L.	D	Manhattan	+	+		+		

UPSTATE

Bacalles, James	R-C	Steuben, Schuyler	-	+				
Bragman, Michael J.	D	Onondaga	+	+				
Brown, Harold C.	R-C	Onondaga	+	-		-		
Burling, Daniel	R	Wyoming, Erie, Genesee	-	+				
Butler, Marc W.	R-C	Hamilton, Herkimer, Fulton	-	-				
Cahill, Kevin	D	Ulster	+	+				
Calhoun, Nancy	R-C	Orange, Rockland	-	-				+
Canestrari, Ronald J.	D	Albany, Rensselaer	+	+				
Casale, Pat M.	R	Rensselaer, Saratoga	-	-				
Christensen, Joan	D	Onondaga	+	+				+
Colman, Samuel	D	Rockland	ab	+				+
Crouch, Clifford	R	Chenango, Delaware, Otsego	-	-				
Daly, Robert	R	Niagara	-	-				
D'Andrea, Robert	R-C	Washington, Saratoga	-	-				
Destito, RoAnn M.	D	Oneida	+	+				
Dinga, Jay	R	Broome, Tioga	-	-				-
Kolb, Brian	R-C	Yates, Livingston, Ontario	-	N/A**	-			
Eve, Arthur O.	D-L	Erie	+	+				
Faso, John J.	R	Greene, Albany, Columbia	+	+				

Senator	Party	County	S	HC	EC	CC	BL	IN
Finch, Gary	R	Cayuga, Chenango, Cortland	-	-	-			
Gantt, David F.	D	Monroe	+	+				
Gromack, Alex	D-C	Rockland	+	+				
Gunther, Jacob E.	D-C	Sullivan, Orange	+	+				
Hayes, James	R	Erie	-	-				
Higgins, Brian	D	Erie	+	+				
Hoyt, Sam	D-L	Erie	+	+				+
John, Susan	D	Monroe	+	+	+			+
Johnson, Jerry	R	Monroe, Livingston, Allegany	N/A*	ex				
Kirwan, Thomas	R-C	Dutchess, Orange, Ulster	-	-	ab			
Koon, David	D-I	Monroe, Ontario	+	+				
Little, Elizabeth	R	Essex, Warren, Clinton	+1	-	-			
Luster, Martin A.	D	Tompkins, Cortland	+	+				
Magee, William	D	Madison, Oneida, Otsego	-	+				
Magnarelli, William	D	Onondaga	+	+	+			
Manning, Patrick	R	Columbia, Dutchess	-	-				
McEneny, John J.	D-L	Albany	+	+			+	
Miller, Joel	R-C	Dutchess, Greene, Columbia	+	+				+
Mills, Howard	R	Orange, Ulster	-	-				
Morelle, Joseph D.	D	Monroe	+	+				
Nesbitt, Charles H.	R-C	Genesee, Orleans, Monroe	-	-				
Nortz, H. Robert	R	Lewis, Jefferson	+	-				
Oaks, Robert C.	R-C	Wayne, Seneca	-	-				+
Ortloff, Christian G.	R-C	Clinton, Franklin, St. Lawrence	+1	-				
Parment, William L.	D	Chautauqua	+	+	ab			
Prentiss, Robert	R-C	Albany, Saratoga	-	-				
Robach, Joseph E.	D-C	Monroe	-	+				
Schimlinger, Robin L.	D-C-I	Erie	+	+			+	
Scozzafava, Deirdre	R	St. Lawrence, Lewis	+	+	-			
Seaman, David	R	Niagara, Orleans	-	-	-			
Smith, Richard	D	Erie	+	+				
Stephens, Willis	R	Putnam, Dutchess	+	+				
Sullivan, Frances	R	Oswego	+	-	-			
Tedisco, James	R-C	Schenectady, Saratoga	-	-				
Tokasz, Paul A.	D-C	Erie	+	+				
Tonko, Paul D.	D-L	Montgomery, Schenectady	+	+	+			
Townsend, David R.	R-C	Oneida	-	-				
Warner, Robert	R-C	Broome	-	-				
Winner, George H.	R	Chemung, Tioga	-	-				
Wirth, Sandra Lee	R	Erie	-	-				+
Young, Catherine	R	Cattaraugus, Chautauqua, Allegany	-	-				

	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total
<i>T changed from negative vote to positive vote</i>	+ 109	+ 112	+ 20	+ 15	+ 9	+ 22
<i>* resigned from Assembly; seat empty at time of vote</i>	- 39	- 31	- 7	- 2	- 1	- 0
<i>** replaced Doran, who resigned from Assembly, after this vote occurred (Doran had voted against the bill)</i>	ex 1	ex 5	ex 0	ex 0	ex 0	ex 0
	ab 0	ab 1	ab 4	ab 0	ab 0	ab 3