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# Here are several of Liebmann's liberal votes – just from the past year!

Liebmann's Lemons:

## 1. Voted to Support Liberal Welfare Programs Which Increased State Debt and Shortchanged Roads

Last year's state budget increased welfare spending. To pay for it, Liebmann voted to use 100 million dollars out of our state highway trust funds. He replaced those 100 million dollars with a 70 million dollar bond issue.

So, in one fell swoop, Liebmann (who is the Chairman of the state House transportation funding committee!) increased our state debt by tens of millions of dollars and shortchanged our roads by \$30 million! (*House Bills 2170 & 2171 (2011)*)

## 2. Voted to Implement ObamaCare

Last year, only 13 states passed so called "health insurance exchanges" to implement ObamaCare in their state. Most conservative states chose to oppose implementation of ObamaCare under any circumstances, or at least wait until the Supreme Court challenge to ObamaCare was decided.

Instead of standing up for our conservative values, Liebmann followed in the footsteps of liberal states, like California and Vermont, voting for a bill to create a health insurance exchange to help implement ObamaCare here in Oklahoma.

After the bill passed the state House, it eventually died in the Senate, but only after a groundswell of opposition arose from conservatives across the state! In a classic case of cynical, political spin, Liebmann now takes credit for "killing" ObamaCare. *(House Bill 2130 (2011))* 

## 3. Voted for New, \$100 Million Plus Annual Healthcare Tax

Liebmann voted for a bill that established a new 100 million dollar a year plus tax increase on hospitals. This tax will be passed on to, and paid for by, sick people. *(House Bill 1381 (2011))* 

### 4. Voted for Early Release of Criminals

Liebmann voted for the release of hundreds of convicted felons into our communities before completion of their sentences. Oklahoma law enforcement officials opposed releasing these dangerous criminals early, but Liebmann ignored them.

Instead of balancing the budget by cutting welfare or other liberal programs, Liebmann voted to release these predators on our communities as a cost saving measure. (*House Bill 2131 (2011*))

## 5. Voted for Amnesty for Illegal Aliens

Liebmann voted for a bill that would have gutted recent legislation to crack down on illegal immigration in Oklahoma, such as HB1017. In fact, the bill Liebmann voted for would have established a state level amnesty program for illegal aliens. Conservative immigration reform advocates rallied against the legislation, but Liebmann ignored them. *(HB 1446 (2011))* 

## 6. Voted for More Tax Auditors

In another liberal move, rather than cut spending, Liebmann voted to increase the size of state government by increasing the number of Oklahoma tax auditors. At a time of great economic hardship for small businesses, Liebmann's vote ensures that more Oklahoma taxpayers will be harassed and shaken down during the recession. *(House Bill 123 (2011))* 

## 7. Voted for \$18 Million in Transportation Tax and Fee Increases

On the final day of the 2010 legislative session, Liebmann voted to increase the fee the state of Oklahoma charges to obtain a person's official driving record. The total increase was \$18 million a year.

These records are typically requested by insurance companies, and these increased costs are charged directly to Oklahoma policyholders. The cost to obtain these records in Oklahoma is now the highest in the nation. *(Senate Bill 1556 (2010))* 

Guy Liebmann has forgotten that tax and fee increases like these add up, and they eat into family budgets as they are passed on directly to consumers and taxpayers.

## 8. Voted to Exempt Legislature From State's Open Records Act

In a textbook example of "do as I say, but not as I do," this year Liebmann voted to exempt the Legislature from Oklahoma's Open Records Act.

Liebmann was one of only 20 representatives who voted to kill the amendment that would force legislators to abide by the same rules of openness that they require of other government bodies. (*HB 2918 (2012*))

To see copies of Liebmann's official votes on these bills and the text of the legislation, go to:

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