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KENTUCKY CLUB FOR GROWTH SCORECARD *Group rates the Kentucky General Assembly*

(Covington, Ky.) – The Kentucky Club for Growth, an affiliate of the national Club for Growth, is publishing its first ever scorecard rating the members of the Kentucky General Assembly to help club members and the voting public monitor the actions and voting behavior of members of the General Assembly on economic growth issues.

We conducted a comprehensive examination of each lawmaker's record on pro-growth policies and computed an Economic Growth Score on a scale of 0 to 100. A score of 100 indicates the highest support for pro-growth policies. Those lawmakers scoring 85 or higher receive the *Kentucky Defender of Economic Freedom* award.

Only two lawmakers received the *Kentucky Defender of Economic Freedom* award: Stan Lee and Jim DeCesare.

“The Kentucky Club for Growth has consistently said that more members of the legislature need only look to Reps. Lee and DeCesare as defenders of working families across Kentucky,” said executive director Brian Richmond. “Unfortunately, most legislators did not follow their lead.”

Richmond noted that the Senate scores do not tell the true tale of how well the Senate did this year in promoting economic growth issues.

“The Senate did not have as many eligible votes as the House, which is a good thing,” said Richmond. “The Senate defended the taxpayers of Kentucky by not calling to a vote some terrible legislation that passed the House and we commend their efforts in that regard.”

Kentucky senators who took a firm stand for economic growth were Richard Roeding and Robert Leeper.

Kentucky Club for Growth prefers scores of 70 or higher on its indexed scorecard. Endorsements for re-election are typically reserved for lawmakers scoring 85 or higher.

“Fiscal conservatives are in short supply in Frankfort, and for the benefit of the taxpayers, their children and grandchildren, this must change,” said Richmond.

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