

Votes Cast by Rep. Fred Upton (MI-6)

Taxes

- **Voted Against Extending the Bush Tax Cuts.** In 2005, Congressman Upton was one of only three Republicans to vote against extending the Bush tax cuts on capital gains and dividends, even though these tax cuts were projected to save taxpayers \$80.5 billion over 10 years.¹
- **Voted Against Substituting Tax Cuts In Place of President Obama's Stimulus Bill.** In 2009, Congressman Upton again demonstrated opposition to tax cuts when he was one of only 9 Republicans to vote against a Republican substitute amendment offered by Rep. Dave Camp to the Democrats' \$787 billion stimulus bill. This substitute amendment would have replaced the Obama-Pelosi stimulus bill with a Republican version composed of income tax rate deductions for the bottom two income tax brackets, alternative minimum tax relief, and other tax cuts.²
- **Voted with House Democrats to Make Tax Cuts Subject to a 60-Vote Standard in the Senate.** Congressman Upton was one of only 11 House Republicans to vote with House Democrats for a budget resolution that would have subjected tax cuts to provisions requiring 60 votes rather than a simple majority in the U.S. Senate, making future tax cut legislation difficult to pass. With the vote in the House literally split dead even, Congressman Upton's vote was decisive. The measure barely failed in a tied vote, 209-209.³

Fiscal Responsibility

- **Voted For Speaker Pelosi's Omnibus Spending Bill for 2009.** Congressman Upton was one of only 16 Republicans to vote with House Democrats to pass the Omnibus Appropriations Act for FY 2009, which increased government spending 8.4% *on top of* the stimulus. In addition, this bill included \$7.7 billion in earmarks, provided \$545 million for the State Department to award to foreign family planning organizations that could provide

¹ 109th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 4297, Roll Call 621, Dec. 8, 2005. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2005/roll621.xml>. For CBO tax savings projections, see <http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdocs/68xx/doc6880/hr4297.pdf>.

² 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 22 (Camp of Michigan) to H.R. 1, Roll Call 44, January 28, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll044.xml>

³ 108th Congress, 2nd Session, S. Con. Res. 95, Roll Call 97, March 30, 2004. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2004/roll097.xml>

abortion services after revocation of the “Mexico City Policy”, increased legislative branch appropriations by 11%, ended the D.C. school choice program (the Opportunity Scholarship program), and unlike the FY 2008 omnibus did not prohibit the use of funds for implementation of the anti-free speech “fairness doctrine”.⁴

- **Voted Against Efforts to Decrease the “Stimulus”.** Congressman Upton was one of 43 Republicans to vote against a Republican amendment that would have struck \$355 billion in funding for discretionary programs from the stimulus bill.⁵
- **Voted for \$60 Billion in Inefficient Economic Stimulus Spending.** In 2008, Congressman Upton was one of just 41 Republicans to vote for the first proposed economic “stimulus”, the Job Creation and Unemployment Relief Act of 2008. This legislation would have authorized over \$60 billion in government spending over 10 years for purposes including unemployment benefits, Medicaid payments to states, and food stamps.⁶
- **Voted Repeatedly to Extend Unemployment Benefits.** In 2010, Congressman Upton was one of 30⁷, one of 29⁸, and one of 31 Republicans⁹, respectively, to vote to extend unemployment benefits, even though the \$34 billion cost was not offset by other spending cuts.
- **Voted Repeatedly to Continue Wasteful Taxpayer Funding of Amtrak.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of 61 Republicans to vote against a Republican amendment to the Obama-Pelosi “stimulus” bill that would have struck over \$800 million in additional funding for Amtrak.¹⁰ In the same year, Congressman Upton was one of 72 Republicans to oppose an amendment that would have eliminated taxpayer funding of the 10 Amtrak long-

⁴ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 1105, Roll Call 86, Feb. 25, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll086.xml>

⁵ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 16 (Neugebauer of Texas) to H.R. 1, Roll Call 42, January 28, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll042.xml>

⁶ 110th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 7110, Roll Call 660, Sept. 26, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll660.xml>. For the CBO’s estimated costs for the bill, see <http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdocs/98xx/doc9816/hr7110.pdf>.

⁷ 111th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 5618, Roll Call 398, June 29, 2010. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2010/roll398.xml>

⁸ 111th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 5618, Roll Call 423, July 1, 2010. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2010/roll423.xml>

⁹ 111th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 4213, Roll Call 463, July 22, 2010. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2010/roll463.xml>. <http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdocs/116xx/doc11685/UnemploymentCompensationExtension.pdf>.

¹⁰ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 18 (Flake of Arizona) to H.R. 1, Roll Call 43, January 28, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll043.xml>

distance routes that have lost the most passenger revenue.¹¹ In 2010, Congressman Upton was one of 43 Republicans to vote against the majority of his party in opposition to an amendment that would have cut over \$1.2 billion in federal funding for the National Railroad Passenger Corporation (Amtrak).¹²

- **Voted to Create a New Federal Welfare Program for Affordable Housing.** In 2007, Congressman Upton was one of 41 Republicans to vote for a new taxpayer-funded housing welfare program. Had this program become law, CBO estimates it would have cost taxpayers \$192 million over five years.¹³
- **Voted for the Democrats’ \$474 Billion Omnibus Appropriations Package, Including Spending Increases Above Those Requested by the Bush Administration.** In 2007, Congressman Upton was one of 41 Republicans to vote for the Democrats’ omnibus spending package, which included major spending increases over and above those requested by the Bush Administration.¹⁴
- **Voted Against Over \$1.4 Billion in Federal Deficit Reduction.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of 45 Republicans to vote against an amendment to reduce the federal deficit by over \$1.4 billion by striking federal funding for the “American Graduation Initiative” and applying the cost savings to deficit reduction. This federal grant funding for online curriculum development at community colleges was duplicative of existing federal programs, inserted the federal government into the curriculum development process, and increased the deficit unnecessarily as thousands of community colleges already offered online courses.¹⁵

¹¹ 110th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 64 (Sessions of Texas) to H.R. 1401, Roll Call 196, March 27, 2007. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2007/roll196.xml>

¹² 111th Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 760 (Flake of Arizona) to H.R. 5850, Roll Call 494, July 29, 2010. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2010/roll494.xml>

¹³ 110th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 2895, Roll Call 958, Oct. 10, 2007. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2007/roll958.xml>
CBO report: <http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdocs/86xx/doc8630/hr2895.pdf>.

¹⁴ 110th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 2764, Roll Call 1171, Dec. 17, 2007. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2007/roll1171.xml>

¹⁵ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 430 (Foxx of North Carolina) to H.R. 3221, Roll Call 712, September 17, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll712.xml>

- Voted for the Democrats’ Wasteful and Excessive Spending on the Departments of Labor, Health and Human Services, and Education for FY 2010.** Congressman Upton was one of only 20 Republicans to vote for the Democrats’ wasteful FY 2010 spending package for the Departments of Labor, HHS, and Education. This appropriation package spent \$163.4 billion on these three agencies alone, a 7.3% increase over FY 2009 levels and a 12.8% increase over FY 2008 levels. This spending took place during a recession and also *in addition to* the stimulus spending that had already gone to these agencies. In addition, the appropriations package increased funding for Planned Parenthood by \$10 million, zeroed out funding for abstinence programs, removed the federal ban on funding for needle exchange programs, and increased the low income energy welfare program (LIHEAP) by a whopping \$2.8 billion.¹⁶ In addition, Congressman Upton was one of only 9 Republicans to vote against an amendment offered by Rep. Mike Pence to strike funding for Planned Parenthood for “family planning” purposes.¹⁷
- Voted Against a Republican Amendment to Limit Wasteful Spending in the Department of Transportation and the Department of Housing and Urban Development.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of 33 Republicans to vote against a simple Republican amendment offered by Republican Rep. Jim Jordan to cut over \$20 billion in spending from the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act of 2010, which would have returned the appropriation to FY 2008 levels.¹⁸
- Voted for the Democrats’ Sham “Pay-Go” Legislation.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of 24 Republicans to vote for the Democrats’ sham “pay-go” legislation, which does nothing to require limits on discretionary federal spending, allows for any piece of legislation to be designated as “emergency” and therefore exempt from pay-go rules, does nothing to put the budget on a sustainable course over the long-term, and makes it easier for the Democrat majority to roll back the Bush tax cuts.¹⁹

¹⁶ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 3293, Roll Call 646, July 24, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll646.xml>

¹⁷ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 389 (Pence of Indiana) to H.R. 3293, Roll Call 643, July 24, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll643.xml>

¹⁸ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 372 (Jordan of Ohio) to H.R. 3288, Roll Call 624, July 23, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll624.xml>

¹⁹ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 2920, Roll Call 612, July 22, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll612.xml>

- **Voted Against a Republican Amendment to Cut Spending in the Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of 25 Republicans to vote against an amendment to a Democrat appropriations bill offered by Rep. Marsha Blackburn that would have made an across-the-board cut in appropriation accounts throughout the bill by 5%.²⁰
- **Voted Repeatedly Against Efforts to Trim Funding from the National Endowment for the Arts.** In 1994, Congressman Upton was one of 78 Republicans to vote against an amendment to terminate \$171 million in funding for the National Endowment for the Arts.²¹ In 2000, Congressman Upton was one of 74 Republicans to vote against an amendment that would have trimmed the NEA’s budget by 2% in order to increase wildland fire management funding.²²
- **Voted to Dramatically Increase Federal Funding for the Public Land Corps Program.** In 2010, Congressman Upton was one of 58 Republicans to vote to dramatically increase federal funding for the Public Land Corps program within the Department of Interior, a federal program that funds employment for young people in conservation-related projects. Congressman Upton voted to lift the funding cap on the program, writing a blank check which CBO estimated would probably increase the federal appropriation from \$12 million to \$120 million over five years.²³
- **Voted Against Eliminating an Additional Federal “Affordable Housing Fund”.** In 2007, Congressman Upton was one of 43 Republicans to oppose a Republican amendment that would have struck portions from a Democrat housing bill seeking to create an “affordable-housing” fund. This fund would have increased government revenues and spending by over

²⁰ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 330 (Blackburn of Tennessee) to H.R. 3183, Roll Call 580, July 17, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll580.xml>

²¹ 103rd Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 664 (Crane of Illinois) to H.R. 4602, Roll Call 263, June 22, 1994. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1994/roll263.xml>

²² 106th Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 815 (Stearns of Florida) to H.R. 4578, Roll Call 282, June 15, 2000. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2000/roll282.xml>

²³ 111th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 1612, Roll Call 151, March 20, 2010. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2010/roll151.xml>

\$3 billion over 10 years by requiring entities like Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac to pay fees to the fund based on their total loan portfolio.²⁴

- **Voted to Maintain Funding for President Obama’s Council of Economic Advisers.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of 34 Republicans to vote against an amendment that would have eliminated the \$4.2 million in funding for President Obama’s Council of Economic Advisers.²⁵
- **Voted Against Reducing FY 2010 State Department and USAID Spending to FY 2009 Levels.** In 2009 Congressman Upton was one of only 25 Republicans to vote against an amendment offered by Republican Rep. Steve Buyer to reduce funding for diplomatic and consular programs by \$1.2 billion, operating expenses for USAID by \$330 million, and global health programs by \$670 million to reflect FY 2009 enacted funding levels. This amendment would have saved the government over \$2 billion.²⁶
- **Voted to Maintain the FDA’s 2010 Funding at \$373 Million Higher than its 2009 Funding Amount.** Congressman Upton was one of 44 Republicans to vote against a Republican amendment offered by Rep. Paul Broun that would have reduced the FDA’s FY 2010 appropriated amount by \$373 million in order to keep its funding on par with the FY 2009 amount.²⁷
- **Voted Against Reducing the EPA’s FY 2010 Funding Amount to the FY 2008 Amount.** Congressman Upton was one of just 20 Republicans to vote against an amendment offered by Republican Rep. Jim Jordan that would have reduced the FY 2010 funding amount to the

²⁴110th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 203 (Bachus of Alabama) to H.R. 1427, May 17, 2007.

<http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2007/roll378.xml>.

CBO report: <http://www.cbo.gov/ftpdocs/80xx/doc8025/hr1427.pdf>

²⁵111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 343 (Price of Georgia) to H.R. 3170, Roll Call 555, July 16, 2009.

<http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll555.xml>

²⁶111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 307 (Buyer of Indiana) to H.R. 3081, Roll Call 517, July 9, 2009.

<http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll517.xml>

²⁷111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 298 (Broun of Georgia) to H.R. 2997, Roll Call 501, July 9, 2009.

<http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll501.xml>

Department of the Interior, the Environmental Protection Agency, and similar agencies by \$5.75 billion, returning the funding amount to FY 2008 levels.²⁸

- **Voted Against Reducing the FY 2010 Funding Amounts for the Departments of Commerce, Justice, and Other Agencies to FY 2008 Amounts.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of 33 Republicans to vote against an amendment that would have reduced funding for the Department of Commerce, the Department of Justice, and other agencies by \$12.511 billion, a return to FY 2008 levels.²⁹
- **Voted to Authorize \$10.5 Billion in Funding for Pakistan.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of only 8 Republicans to vote for the Democrat-sponsored Pakistan Enduring Assistance and Cooperation Enhancement Act of 2009, or the “PEACE” Act. This legislation would authorize \$10.5 billion in funding for the Pakistani government over four years, \$6 billion of which would be for non-security related economic assistance. In addition to undermining the foreign policy goals and seeking to tie the hands of the Executive Branch in its relations with Pakistan, this bill authorized an extraordinary amount of taxpayer-funded spending during an economic recession.³⁰
- **Voted to Dramatically Increase Funding for Americorps and Learn and Serve.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was just one of 26 Republicans to vote to concur with Senate amendments, and therefore enable final passage, of a bill that increased authorized amounts for Americorps, Learn and Serve, and similar programs by over \$8 billion. Both Americorps and Learn and Serve have been identified by the Office of Management and Budget as being underperforming or ineffective federal programs, but Congressman Upton voted to drastically increase their budgets even at a time when federal deficits hit record levels.³¹ In addition, during the bill’s consideration, Congressman Upton was one of 30 Republicans to vote to significantly increase the cost of the programs, voting for a Democrat amendment that

²⁸ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 279 (Jordan of Ohio) to H.R. 2996, Roll Call 468, June 26, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll468.xml>

²⁹ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 229 (Jordan of Ohio) to H.R. 2847, Roll Call 370, June 18, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll370.xml>

³⁰ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 1886, Roll Call 333, June 11, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll333.xml>

³¹ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 1388, Roll Call 169, March 31, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll169.xml>

increased the operational support given to organizations for full-time individuals from \$600 to \$800 and from \$800 to \$1000 if the program supports at least 50 percent “disadvantaged youth”.³²

Bailouts

- **Voted for the Financial Services Industry Bailout...Twice.** Congressman Upton voted to bail out the financial services industry both times: As one of 65 Republicans who voted for the first attempt, which failed, and one of 91 Republicans who voted for the second attempt, which passed.³³
- **And the Next Year Voted for it a Third Time!** Congressman Upton was one of just 18 Republicans to vote for Rep. Barney Frank’s misleadingly titled “TARP Reform and Accountability Act”. This bill granted President Obama’s request to use the additional \$350 billion in TARP funding, expanded the types of assets TARP money could be used to buy, and gave the Treasury Secretary extremely broad powers.³⁴
- **Voted to Bail Out Fannie and Freddie (Before He Voted Against It).** Congressman Upton was one of 39 Republicans who voted in favor of bailing out mortgage loan giants Fannie Mae and Freddie Mac through a vote on an amendment on the floor of the House.³⁵ Later in the process, however, he voted against final passage of the government bailout.³⁶

Regulating Industry

- **Voted for Increased Federal Regulation of Commodities Markets.** In 2008, Congressman Upton was one of 61 Republicans to vote for drastically increased federal regulation of commodities markets in the Commodity Markets Transparency and Accountability Act.³⁷
- **Voted for New Regulation on the Tobacco Industry.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of 70 Republicans to vote for significant new regulations to be placed on the tobacco industry, putting tobacco regulation in the FDA’s jurisdiction, placing new taxes on cigarette

³² 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 45 (Markey of Colorado) to H.R. 1388, Roll Call 137, March 18, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll137.xml>

³³ 110th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 3997, Roll Call 674, Sept. 29, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll674.xml>
110th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 1424, Roll Call 681, Oct. 3, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll681.xml>

³⁴ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 384, Roll Call 26, January 21, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll026.xml>

³⁵ 110th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 3221, Roll Call 301, May 8, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll301.xml>

³⁶ 110th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 3221, Roll Call 519, July 23, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll519.xml>

³⁷ 110th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 6604, Roll Call 540, July 30, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll540.xml>

sales, and restricting individual choice by determining which kinds of cigarettes are allowed to be sold.³⁸

- **Voted to Increase Regulations on the Mortgage Loan Industry.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of 60 Republicans to vote for the Mortgage Reform and Anti-Predatory Lending Act, designed to add a host of complex, new regulations to the market. This additional federal regulation, a version of which was included in the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, represents an additional, costly intrusion by the federal government into the marketplace and could have the unintended effect of reducing mortgage options for consumers.³⁹
- **Voted to Increase Federal Regulation of Reverse Mortgages.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of only 26 Republicans to support an amendment to the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act offered by Democrat Rep. Jan Schakowsky requiring the head of the Consumer Financial Protection Agency to issue regulations for reverse mortgages within one year of the bill's passage. This amendment only served to increase the power and authority of a new federal agency to regulate the economy and slow growth.⁴⁰

Health Care

- **Voted For the Democrats' Children's Health Insurance law.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of 40 Republicans to vote with House Democrats to pass a bill that more than doubled spending on the State Children's Health Insurance Program (SCHIP), raising taxes to pay for it. This bill covered pregnant women and children up to 300 percent of federal poverty level, and did not require HHS to prioritize poor children.⁴¹ In 2007 and 2008, Congressman Upton was one of 44 and one of 42 Republicans, respectively, who voted to try and override President George W. Bush's veto of similar SCHIP bills.⁴²

³⁸ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 1256, Roll Call 335, June 12, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll335.xml>

³⁹ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 1728, Roll Call 242, May 7, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll242.xml>

⁴⁰ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 536 (Schakowsky of Illinois) to H.R. 4173, Roll Call 964, December 11, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll964.xml>

⁴¹ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 2, Roll Call 16, Jan. 14, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll016.xml>

⁴² 110th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 976, Roll Call 982, Oct. 18, 2007. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2007/roll982.xml>
110th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 3963, Roll Call 22, Jan. 23, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll022.xml>

- **Voted for Costly New Federal Mandates for Health Insurance Plans.** In 2008, Upton was one of 47 Republicans to vote for the Paul Wellstone Mental Health and Addiction Equity Act, legislation placing costly new mandates on private insurance plans and requiring them to increase mental health coverage. This anti-free market, anti-consumer-choice legislation increased the cost of private insurance for businesses and consumers and also increased the obligations of the Medicare and Medicaid programs.⁴³

Energy and the Environment

- **Voted Against Offshore Drilling Off the Coast of Florida.** In 2001, Congressman Upton was one of 70 Republicans to vote for an amendment prohibiting the development of oil and natural gas off the coast of Florida.⁴⁴
- **Voted to Increase Taxes on Domestic Energy Companies.** In 2008, Congressman Upton was one of only 35 Republicans to vote for Charlie Rangel's Energy Improvement and Extension Act of 2008, which raised taxes on domestic energy companies and other businesses to pay for tax credits for renewable energy producers and other interests.⁴⁵ Congressman Upton was one of only 30 Republicans to make a similar vote the same year for Rangel's Renewable Energy and Job Creation Tax Act, a bill with a similar purpose.⁴⁶
- **Voted for Federal Regulation of Light Bulbs and for Increased Regulation of the Energy Industry.** In 2007, Congressman Upton was one of 26 Republicans to join Democrats and provide the votes needed for passage of the New Direction for Energy Independence, National Security, and Consumer Protection Act. Among other things, this bill regulates lights and appliances (effectively banning the incandescent light bulb), created new programs for alternative energy sources, imposed more regulations on energy companies, and mandated vastly increased use of renewable energy.⁴⁷
- **Voted for the Democrats' Energy Bill Imposing New Federal Mandates.** In 2007, Congressman Upton was one of 95 Republicans to vote for the Democrats' Energy Independence and Security Act, which imposed CAFE gas mileage standards, taxpayer

⁴³ 110th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 1424, Roll Call 101, March 5, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll101.xml>

⁴⁴ 107th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 107 (Davis of Florida) to H.R. 2217, Roll Call 181, June 21, 2001. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2001/roll181.xml>

⁴⁵ 110th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 6049, Roll Call 344, May 21, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll344.xml>

⁴⁶ 110th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 7060, Roll Call 649, Sept. 26, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll649.xml>

⁴⁷ 110th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 3221, Roll Call 832, Aug. 4, 2007. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2007/roll832.xml>

funding for biofuels production, and banned incandescent light bulbs, among other provisions.⁴⁸

- **Voted to Empower the EPA.** In 1995, Congressman Upton was one of 51 Republicans to support a Democrat amendment to an appropriations bill for FY 1996 that empowered the EPA to take actions under the Clean Air Act, the Clean Water Act, and food safety laws. The underlying appropriations bill had been constructed to not provide funding for certain EPA actions under environmental laws like the Clean Air Act or the Clean Water Act. The Democrat amendment that Congressman Upton voted for attempted to reverse this.⁴⁹
- **Voted to Ban Offshore Drilling in the Great Lakes.** In 2001, Congressman Upton was one of 70 Republicans who voted for House Democrat Whip David Bonior's amendment banning offshore oil and gas drilling in the five Great Lakes, Lake Saint Clair, the St. Mary's River, the Saint Clair River, the Detroit River, the Niagara River, and the St. Lawrence River. Republican votes enabled the amendment's adoption.⁵⁰ During his statement on the floor of the House in support of the amendment, Congressman Upton remarked on directional drilling as follows: "Some say that this is a safe process, slant drilling. Well, I have to say that I am not convinced that the science, in fact, will protect us."⁵¹
- **Voted for the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009, Preventing Energy Development and Leading to Increased Federal Land Acquisition.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of 34⁵² and one of 38⁵³ Republicans, respectively, to vote for this bill which blocked millions of acres from new oil and gas leasing, logging, mining, and other business activity. This legislation eliminated 1.2 million acres from mineral leasing and energy exploration in Wyoming alone -- withdrawing 331 million barrels of recoverable oil and 8.8 trillion cubic feet of natural gas from domestic energy supply. In addition, the bill designated more than 2 million acres of land as wilderness areas, permanently eliminating human access for energy exploration or recreational opportunities; eliminated a proposed terminal site for

⁴⁸ 110th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 6, Roll Call 1177, Dec. 18, 2007. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2007/roll1177.xml>

⁴⁹ 104th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 693 (Stokes of Ohio) to H.R. 2099, Roll Call 599, July 28, 1995. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1995/roll599.xml>. Although the amendment was adopted, it later failed on a revote: Roll Call 605, <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1995/roll605.xml>.

⁵⁰ 107th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 127 (Bonior of Michigan) to H.R. 2311, Roll Call 203, June 28, 2001. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2001/roll203.xml>.

⁵¹ See pages H3679-H3680 of the Congressional Record: http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getpage.cgi?position=all&page=H3679&dbname=2001_record.

⁵² 111th Congress, 1st Session, S. 22, Roll Call 117, March 11, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll117.xml>

⁵³ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 146, Roll Call 153, March 25, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll153.xml>

importing liquefied natural gas (LNG) in Massachusetts by designating a river that runs through a city as “wild and scenic”; authorized \$5.5 billion of new discretionary spending over five years and \$900 million of direct spending; made collecting fossils an illegal activity, subjecting thousands of hobbyists to 5 years in federal jail; and included numerous pork barrel projects.

- **Voted to Enable More Federal Land Acquisition, Under the Guise of Preventing Oil Spills.** In 2010, Congressman Upton was one of only 15 Republicans to vote against the vast majority of his Republican colleagues in favor of a Democrat amendment offered by Reps. Himes and Oberstar to the Consolidated Land, Energy, and Aquatic Resources Act of 2009. This amendment directed the National Resources Damages Act trustee, in cases of environmental disasters such as oil spills, to consider new federal acquisition of non-impacted land as a possible damage remedy. This was a questionable amendment to a bill that already mandated the federal government to spend \$30 billion for land acquisition.⁵⁴
- **Voted for the California Desert “Wilderness” Designation.** In 1994, Congressman Upton was one of 53 Republicans to vote with Democrats to designate 7.75 million acres of California desert as “wilderness”, thereby limiting future development and depriving property owners of their rights.⁵⁵
- **Voted Against an Overhaul of the Endangered Species Act.** In 2005, Congressman Upton was one of 34 Republicans to oppose a bill that would have overhauled the Endangered Species Act. It would have replaced the critical habitat designation which has been used to infringe on property rights and would have required the government to reimburse landowners when they are not allowed to develop their land because of protections for endangered species. It also would have authorized grants for private landowners to protect endangered species.⁵⁶
- **Voted Against Local Control Over Conservation Projects.** In 2000, Congressman Upton was one of 45 Republicans who voted against an amendment that would have allowed local governments to veto proposed federal land acquisition under the Land and Water Conservation Fund. Congressman Upton’s vote helped defeat the amendment.⁵⁷

⁵⁴ 111th Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 771 (Oberstar of Minnesota) to H.R. 3534, Roll Call 510, July 30, 2010. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2010/roll510.xml>

⁵⁵ 103rd Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 518, Roll Call 357, July 27, 1994. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1994/roll357.xml>

⁵⁶ 109th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 3824, Roll Call 506, Sept. 29, 2005. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2005/roll506.xml>

⁵⁷ 106th Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 694 (Sweeney of New York) to H.R. 701, Roll Call 170, May 11, 2000. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2000/roll170.xml>

- **Voted to Allow Bureaucrats to Designate Monuments Instead of Congress.** In 2000, Congressman Upton was one of 61 Republicans who helped defeat an amendment that would have prohibited the use of the Antiquities Act to designate national monuments without congressional approval.⁵⁸
- **Voted to Increase Federal Control of Lands and Impede Development.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of only 29 Republicans to vote for the creation of the Santa Cruz Valley National Heritage Area along the U.S.-Mexico border in Arizona. This bill, in addition to opening the door to restrictive federal zoning and land-use planning that can block energy development, would have also made it more difficult for the U.S. Border Patrol to do its job in one of the most porous areas of the U.S.-Mexico border.⁵⁹ Also in 2009, Congressman Upton was one of 40 Republicans to vote to designate segments of the Molalla River in Oregon as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. This vote supported additional federal land acquisition and the blocking of timber harvesting in the area. This Democrat-sponsored legislation prevented job creation as well as needed tax revenue for rural schools in Oregon at a time when the state’s unemployment rate was over 11%.⁶⁰
- **Voted to Establish a “Green Public Schools” Advisory Board in the Department of Education.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of only 19 Republicans to vote for a Democrat amendment requiring the Secretary of Education to create an “Advisory Council to the Secretary on green, high-performing schools”. Given the state of public education, the Secretary of Education’s priorities should not be running a green schools bureaucracy.⁶¹
- **Voted for Legislation Protecting Wild Horses and Burros.** Congressman Upton was one of 33 Republicans to vote for legislation that authorized \$310 million to increase the area where wild horses and burros roam by 19 million acres. In addition, this legislation prohibited the commercial processing and confinement of these animals.⁶²

⁵⁸ 106th Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 688 (Chenoweth-Hage of Idaho) to H.R. 701, Roll Call 164, May 10, 2000. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2000/roll164.xml>

⁵⁹ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 324, Roll Call 728, September 23, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll728.xml>

⁶⁰ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 2781, Roll Call 905, November 19, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll905.xml>

⁶¹ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 124 (Titus of Nevada) to H.R. 2187, Roll Call 249, May 13, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll249.xml>

⁶² 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 1018, Roll Call 577, July 17, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll577.xml>

Telecommunications

- **Voted in Support of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992.** Congressman Upton was one of 77 Republicans to vote to override President George H.W. Bush's veto of this legislation re-regulating the cable television industry.⁶³

National Defense and Foreign Policy

- **Voted with Democrats to Condemn the Surge Strategy in Iraq.** Congressman Upton was one of only 17 Republicans to vote with the Democrats on a resolution "Disapproving of the decision of the President announced on January 10, 2007, to deploy more than 20,000 additional United States combat troops to Iraq."⁶⁴ During floor debate on the resolution, Congressman Upton touted the failed North Korean Six-Party Talks and, though he originally voted for the war, stated that American soldiers "are viewed as part of the problem, not the solution" and that he "believes that this surge strategy will fail."⁶⁵
- **Voted Repeatedly Against Missile Defense Development.** In 2008, Congressman Upton was one of only 14 Republicans to vote against a Republican amendment that would have significantly strengthened the nation's immediate antiballistic missile program.⁶⁶ In 2000, Congressman Upton was one of only 16 Republicans to vote with Democrats to try and end production of the Trident II (D-5) submarine-launched ballistic missile.⁶⁷ In 1995, Congressman Upton was one of only 24 Republicans to vote for a Democrat amendment to

⁶³ 102nd Congress, 2nd Session, "Passage, Objections of the President Notwithstanding" S. 12, Roll Call 477, Oct. 5, 1992. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1992/roll477.xml>

⁶⁴ 110th Congress, 1st Session, H. Con. Res. 63, Roll Call 99, Feb. 16, 2007. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2007/roll099.xml>.

⁶⁵ See p. H1590 of the Congressional Record: http://frwebgate.access.gpo.gov/cgi-bin/getpage.cgi?dbname=2007_record&page=H1590&position=all.

⁶⁶ 110th Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 1050 (Franks of Arizona) to H.R. 5658, Roll Call 356, May 22, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll356.xml>

⁶⁷ 106th Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 717 (Luther of Minnesota) to H.R. 4205, Roll Call 196, May 18, 2000. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2000/roll196.xml>

delay implementation of long range ballistic missile defense systems. (The amendment was adopted by just one vote.)⁶⁸ In 1994, Congressman Upton was one of only 15 Republicans to vote for an amendment to cut \$200 million from the ballistic missile defense program⁶⁹, and one of 35 Republicans to vote to terminate procurement of Trident II D-5 missiles.⁷⁰

- **Voted for the Democrats’ Politically Motivated Defense Authorization Containing Federal “Hate Crimes” Legislation.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of 44 Republicans to vote for the Democrats’ Defense Authorization bill, even though it contained key provisions of the Matthew Sheppard and James Byrd Jr. Hate Crimes Prevention Act (H.R. 1913). This legislation, which made crimes ostensibly motivated by “sexual orientation or gender identity” federal “hate-crimes”, had nothing to do with the Department of Defense or the wars in Iraq and Afghanistan and was inserted by Democrats purely for political reasons. Additionally, the bill included no authorization for disarmament of the North Korean nuclear program despite their withdrawal from the six-party talks, increased troop salaries by half a percentage point more than the 2.9% increase that the Administration was even requesting, contained \$1.745 billion in earmarks, and cut \$1.2 billion from the missile defense program based on the prior year’s expenditure.⁷¹
- **Voted to Weaken National Security by Side-Tracking Development of the “Bunker-Buster” Weapon System.** Congressman Upton was one of only 11 Republicans to join House Democrats in trying to pass an amendment that would have side-tracked development of the "bunker-buster" weapon system by restricting it only to conventional weapons.⁷²
- **Voted to Slash the Defense Budget.** In 1994, Congressman Upton was one of only 12 Republicans to support an amendment by Rep. Barney Frank that would have slashed the defense budget by \$2.4 billion for FY 1995. The amendment failed, 105-313, with even the vast majority of Democrats in opposition.⁷³

⁶⁸ 104th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 164 (Spratt of South Carolina) to H.R. 7, Roll Call 136, Feb. 15, 1995. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1995/roll136.xml>

⁶⁹ 104th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 555 (Meehan of Massachusetts) to H.R. 4301, Roll Call 179, May 18, 1994. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1994/roll179.xml>

⁷⁰ 104th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 567 (Penny of Minnesota) to H.R. 4301, Roll Call 189, May 20, 1994. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1994/roll189.xml>

⁷¹ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 2647, Roll Call 770, October 8, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll770.xml>

⁷² 108th Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 540 (Tauscher of California) to H.R. 4200, Roll Call 203, May 20, 2004. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2004/roll203.xml>

⁷³ 103rd Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 463 (Frank of Massachusetts) to H. Con. Res. 218, Roll Call 51, March 10, 1994. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1994/roll051.xml>

- **Voted to Ban Nuclear Testing.** In 1992, Congressman Upton was one of 24 Republicans to join with Democrats to vote for a one-year ban on nuclear testing. Congressman Upton's vote helped enable the amendment's adoption.⁷⁴
- **Voted to Lift the Trade Embargo and Travel Restrictions on Communist Cuba.** In 2000, Congressman Upton was one of 24 Republicans to vote for an amendment by Rep. Charles Rangel that would have effectively lifted the economic embargo on Communist Cuba.⁷⁵ In 2001, Congressman Upton was one of 40 Republicans to vote for a similar amendment.⁷⁶ In 2003, Congressman Upton was one of 53 Republicans to vote for an amendment lifting the ban on travel to Communist Cuba by U.S. citizens.⁷⁷
- **Voted for the United States to Pay More Than Its Fair Share of United Nations Funding.** Congressman Upton was one of 50 Republicans to vote against capping the United States's contributions to the U.N. at the level of other permanent members of the Security Council.⁷⁸
- **Voted Against Steps to Prevent Gays in the Military.** Congressman Upton was one of 60 Republicans to oppose an amendment requiring the Defense Department to ask individuals entering the armed forces if they are homosexual.⁷⁹

Social Issues

- **Voted Consistently For Government Funding of Planned Parenthood and Abortion.** In 2009, Congressman Upton was one of only nine Republicans to vote against an amendment

⁷⁴ 102nd Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 586 (Kopetski of Oregon) to H.R. 5006, Roll Call 164, June 4, 1992.
<http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1992/roll164.xml>

⁷⁵ 106th Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 1023 (Rangel of New York) to H.R. 4871, Roll Call 424, July 20, 2000.
<http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2000/roll424.xml>

⁷⁶ 107th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 242 (Rangel of New York) to H.R. 2590, Roll Call 271, July 25, 2001.
<http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2001/roll271.xml>

⁷⁷ 108th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 375 (Flake of Arizona) to H.R. 2989, Roll Call 483, Sept. 9, 2003.
<http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2003/roll483.xml>

⁷⁸ 108th Congress, H. Amdt. 241 (King of Iowa) to H.R. 1950, Roll Call 365, July 15, 2003.
<http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2003/roll365.xml>

⁷⁹ 103rd Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 299 (Hunter of California) to H.R. 2401, Roll Call 461, Sept. 28, 1993.
<http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1993/roll461.xml>

preventing federal funding of Planned Parenthood.⁸⁰ In 2007, Congressman Upton was one of 21 Republicans to give Democrats the critical votes they needed to continue taxpayer funding of Planned Parenthood’s abortion services.⁸¹ In 1995, Congressman Upton was one of 57 Republicans to vote to provide \$193 million to be distributed to Planned Parenthood and similar organizations.⁸² In 1992, Congressman Upton was one of 56 Republicans who voted to override President George H.W. Bush’s veto of a bill allowing federally funded abortion clinics to promote using abortion as a family planning method, reversing the “gag rule”.⁸³

- **Voted For American Taxpayer Money to Pay for Foreign Abortions.** In 2001, Congressman Upton was one of only 33 Republicans to oppose the Hyde Amendment to the State Department authorization bill eliminating funding for international organizations that provide abortion services.⁸⁴ In 1995, Congressman Upton was one of only 36 Republicans to cast a similar vote.⁸⁵ In 1991, Congressman Upton was one of 40 Republicans to support a Democrat amendment preserving \$20 million in funding for the United Nations Population Fund, which promoted abortion internationally.⁸⁶
- **Voted Against Parental Notification Requirements for Minors Receiving Abortions at Federally-Funded Clinics.** Congressman Upton was one of 34 Republicans to vote against the GOP’s procedural motion (“Motion to Recommit with Instructions”) during consideration of Rep. Henry Waxman’s Family Planning Amendments Act of 1993. The motion to recommit that Congressman Upton opposed would have required written parental

⁸⁰ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 389 (Pence of Indiana) to H.R. 3293, Roll Call 643, July 24, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll643.xml>

⁸¹ 110th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 3043, Roll Call 684, July 19, 2007. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2007/roll684.xml>

⁸² 104th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 717 (Greenwood of Pennsylvania) to H.R. 2127, Roll Call 615, Aug. 2, 1995. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1995/roll605.xml>

⁸³ 102nd Congress, 2nd Session, S. 323, Roll Call 452, Oct. 2, 1992. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1992/roll452.xml>

⁸⁴ 107th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 34 (Hyde of Illinois) to H.R. 1646, Roll Call 115, May 16, 2001. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2001/roll115.xml>

⁸⁵ 104th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 477 (Smith of New Jersey) to H.R. 1868, Roll Call 433, June 28, 1995. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1995/roll433.xml>

⁸⁶ 102nd Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 121 (Kostmayer of Pennsylvania) to H.R. 2508, Roll Call 148, June 12, 1991. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1991/roll148.xml>

notification and a 48-hour waiting period before abortions could be performed on minors by entities receiving federal funds.⁸⁷

- **Voted Against a Republican Procedural Motion for Consideration of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 1995.** Congressman Upton was one of 39 Republicans opposed to a closed rule on the floor of the House for consideration of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act of 1995. The bill as reported out of the House Judiciary Committee would have banned the practice known as "partial birth abortion", but also allow a doctor an "affirmative defense" under which he or she was blameless if he or she showed that he or she "reasonably believed" that such a procedure was the only way to save a woman's life. Many pro-abortion House members opposed the closed rule because they wanted to force an amendment to add a much broader exception clause to the bill.⁸⁸
- **Voted For the Democrat Cloning Bill, Allowing the Use and the Disposal of Live Human Embryos for Research Purposes.** Congressman Upton was one of only 14 Republicans to support Democrat Rep. Diana DeGette's deceptively titled "Human Cloning Prohibition Act", which failed passage under suspension of the rules. In reality, this bill did not ban any human cloning and would have allowed the creation of any number of cloned human embryos for use in research that would then kill them. This bill would have only prohibited procedures allowing the human clone to live, by implanting her or him "into a uterus or the functional equivalent of a uterus," or "to ship, mail, transport, or receive" such an embryo.⁸⁹
- **Voted for a Hostile Democrat Substitute Amendment to the Unborn Victims of Violence Act of 2001.** Congressman Upton was one of 27 Republicans to vote for a hostile Democrat-sponsored substitute amendment to the Unborn Victims of Violence Act of 2001, legislation that would recognize a child in utero as a legal victim when he or she is injured or killed during the commission of a federal crime of violence. The amendment in the nature of a substitute offered by Rep. Zoe Lofgren, while still making violent conduct against a pregnant woman that interrupts or terminates her pregnancy a federal crime, would have recognized only the mother as the victim in such crimes and not the unborn child.⁹⁰

⁸⁷ 103rd Congress, 1st Session, "On Motion to Recommit with Instructions" to H.R. 670, Roll Call 106, March 25, 1995. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1993/roll106.xml>

⁸⁸ 104th Congress, 1st Session, H. Res. 251, Roll Call 754, Nov. 1, 1995. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1995/roll754.xml>

⁸⁹ 110th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 2560, Roll Call 439, June 6, 2007. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2007/roll439.xml>

⁹⁰ 107th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 27 to H.R. 503, Roll Call 88, April 26, 2001. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2001/roll088.xml>

- **Voted Against School Vouchers.** Congressman Upton was one of 68 Republicans to vote against an amendment to the No Child Left Behind Act offered by Rep. Dick Armeby to create a school voucher program for students from consistently low-performing or dangerous schools.⁹¹
- **Voted for the Brady Handgun Violence Protection Act.** In 1993, Congressman Upton was one of 56 Republicans to support the Brady Handgun Law on final passage. This law requires federal background checks and makes it more cumbersome for law-abiding citizens to exercise their rights under the Second Amendment.⁹²
- **Voted for the Federal Assault Weapons Ban.** Congressman Upton was one of 46 Republicans to join with the Democrat majority to pass the Violent Crime Control and Law Enforcement Act, a \$30 billion law that included the assault weapons bans, other gun restrictions, and various social welfare programs packaged as crime reduction.⁹³
- **Voted Against Gun Rights.** Congressman Upton was one of 50 Republicans to help narrowly defeat a Republican amendment prohibiting the Department of Justice from enforcing the settlement between Smith and Wesson and the Clinton Administration's Department of Treasury, dated March 17, 2000.⁹⁴ This settlement agreement's terms affected many retail and wholesale distributors of Smith & Wesson's products and included an "Oversight Commission", with power to potentially set national gun-control policy outside of congressional mandates.

Labor

- **Voted Consistently to Impose and Increase the Minimum Wage.** In 2007, Congressman Upton was one of 82 Republicans to vote for a Democrat bill increasing the minimum wage by 41%, from \$5.15/hour to \$7.25/hour in two years.⁹⁵ In 2000, Congressman Upton was one of 72 Republicans to vote for a procedural motion allowing for the consideration of a minimum wage bill, despite a parliamentary ruling that the bill constituted an unfunded

⁹¹ 107th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 57 (Armeby of Texas) to H.R. 1, Roll Call 135, May 23, 2001. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2001/roll135.xml>

⁹² 103rd Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 1025, Roll Call 614, Nov. 22, 1993. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1993/roll614.xml>

⁹³ 103rd Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 3355, Roll Call 416, Aug. 21, 1994. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1994/roll416.xml>

⁹⁴ 106th Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 905 (Hostettler of Indiana) to H.R. 4690, June 26, 2000, Roll Call 324. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2000/roll324.xml>

⁹⁵ 110th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 2, Roll Call 18, Jan. 10, 2007. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2007/roll018.xml>

mandate.⁹⁶ Additionally, Congressman Upton voted for the bill, which was in favor of increasing the federal hourly minimum wage by \$1 over two years.⁹⁷

- **Voted for Complex New Whistleblower Protections for Offshore Drilling.** In 2010, Congressman Upton was one of 68 Republicans to vote for the Offshore Oil and Gas Worker Whistleblower Protection Act of 2010. This new law contained broad, sweeping, litigation-encouraging provisions.⁹⁸
- **Voted to Keep Davis-Bacon Labor Requirements on Federal Construction Projects.** In 2008, Congressman Upton was one of 44 Republicans who voted against an amendment that would have eliminated Davis-Bacon requirements for military construction projects, making those projects cost taxpayers billions more.⁹⁹ The same year, Congressman Upton was one of 48 Republicans to vote against a similar amendment that would have eliminated Davis-Bacon wages in the construction of taxpayer-funded public housing.¹⁰⁰ In 2009, he was one of 35 Republicans to vote against an amendment accomplishing the same purpose in the Water Quality Investment Act of 2009.¹⁰¹
- **Voted to Give Federal Employees Special Benefits.** Congressman Upton has consistently voted to extend special job benefits for federal employees. In 2008, he was one of 50 Republicans to vote in favor of making four of the twelve weeks of parental leave provided to federal employees paid leave. This bill also stated that federal employees should not have to demonstrate a medical need for sick leave.¹⁰² In 2009, he was one of 24 Republicans to vote for a similar bill that contained nearly identical provisions.¹⁰³ This bill was estimated by the Congressional Budget Office to cost taxpayers \$938 million over five years. In 2010, Congressman Upton was one of 45 Republicans to vote for a bill that encouraged additional

⁹⁶ 106th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 3846, Roll Call 42, March 9, 2000. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2000/roll042.xml>

⁹⁷ 106th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 3846, Roll Call 45, March 9, 2000. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2000/roll045.xml>

⁹⁸ 111th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 5851, Roll Call 506, July 30, 2010. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2010/roll506.xml>

⁹⁹ 110th Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 1167 (King of Iowa) to H.R. 6599, Roll Call 561, Aug. 1, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll561.xml> to H.R. 6599

¹⁰⁰ 110th Congress, 2nd Session, H. Amdt. 928 (King of Iowa) to H.R. 3524, Roll Call 15, Jan. 17, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll015.xml>

¹⁰¹ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 29 (Mack of Florida) to H.R. 1262, Roll Call 122, March 12, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll122.xml>

¹⁰² 110th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 5781, Roll Call 428, June 19, 2008. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2008/roll428.xml>

¹⁰³ 111th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 626, Roll Call 310, June 4, 2009. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2009/roll310.xml>

“telework” (work from home) privileges for federal employees. This bill extended an additional perk to federal employees at a time when the national unemployment rate was hovering around 10%.¹⁰⁴

Campaigns and Elections

- **Voted For Campaign Finance Reform.** Congressman Upton was one of 41 House Republicans to vote for the Bipartisan Campaign Reform Act, otherwise known as McCain-Feingold. This bill severely restricted the right to free speech for citizens groups.¹⁰⁵
- **Voted to Assert Federal Control Over Local Elections.** Congressman Upton was one of only 21 Republicans to vote for an amendment by Rep. Alcee Hastings to increase the authority of the federal government over the conduct of local elections. (The amendment failed.)¹⁰⁶
- **Voted Against Exempting the Internet from Campaign Finance Rules.** In 2005, Congressman Upton was one of 38 Republicans to vote against the Online Freedom of Speech Act, which would have exempted the Internet (including blogs and e-mail) from the definition of “public communication” and thus not subject to Federal Election Commission regulation and disclosure requirements.¹⁰⁷
- **Voted to Impose Federal Requirements on State Voter Registration.** Congressman Upton was one of only 21 Republicans to vote with Democrats to pass 1993’s National Voter Registration Act (the “Motor Voter Act”), which among other things imposed federal requirements on states to permit voter registration simultaneously with applying for public certificates such as drivers licenses, marriage certificates, and public assistance.¹⁰⁸
- **Voted to Require Bilingual Ballots Be Provided to Language Minority Populations.** Congressman Upton was one of 45 Republicans to vote for the Voting Rights Language

¹⁰⁴ 111th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 1722, Roll Call 441, July 14, 2010. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2010/roll441.xml>

¹⁰⁵ 107th Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 2356, Roll Call 34, Feb. 14, 2002. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2002/roll034.xml>. Earlier in the legislative process, Congressman Upton was also one of only 19 Republicans to oppose the Republican-backed initial rule for its consideration, H. Res. 188. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2001/roll228.xml>

¹⁰⁶ 108th Congress, 1st Session, H. Amdt. 357 (Hastings of Florida) to H.R. 2989, Roll Call 471, Sept. 4, 2003. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2003/roll471.xml>

¹⁰⁷ 109th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 1606, Roll Call 559, Nov. 2, 2005. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2005/roll559.xml>

¹⁰⁸ 103rd Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 2, Roll Call 26, Feb. 4, 1993. <http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1993/roll026.xml>

Assistance Act of 1992, which required that bilingual ballots be provided to minority groups.¹⁰⁹

- **Voted to Give House Voting Rights to the District of Columbia.** In 2007, Congressman Upton was one of 22 Republicans to vote for the Democrats' bill giving House voting rights to the District of Columbia. This bill would have statutorily deemed the District of Columbia to be a congressional district, without direct regard for the Constitution.¹¹⁰

¹⁰⁹ 102nd Congress, 2nd Session, H.R. 4312, Roll Call 319, July 24, 1992.
<http://clerk.house.gov/evs/1992/roll319.xml>

¹¹⁰ 110th Congress, 1st Session, H.R. 1905, Roll Call 231, April 19, 2007.
<http://clerk.house.gov/evs/2007/roll231.xml>