

About Tom Barrett

Elected to the Wisconsin State Assembly in 1984 special election; re-elected 1984-88.

Elected to Wisconsin State Senate in a December 1989 special election; re-elected 1990.

Elected to U.S. House of Representatives 1992;
re-elected in 1994, 1996, 1998, 2000, and 2002.

Elected Mayor of Milwaukee in 2004; re-elected and currently serving as Mayor.

BARRETT VOTING RECORD IN THE 1985-1986 SESSION OF THE WISCONSIN STATE ASSEMBLY

Barrett voted against the right-to-life position on 9 votes out of 11 votes cast.

AB 252 – Legislation to Weaken Right-to-Life Provisions in the Living Will Law

- Voted anti-life on an amendment to AB 252 to allow a pregnant woman to require that life supports be removed before her unborn child was viable, regardless of the unborn child's chance of survival.
- Voted anti-life on an amendment to AB 252 which would have eliminated nutritional support and fluid maintenance as life-supports which an individual could require to be removed.
- Voted anti-life on an amendment to AB 252 to prevent family members, those who would inherit from or have a claim against an individual's estate, and medical and nursing home personnel, from witnessing a Living Will.
- Voted anti-life on an amendment to AB 252 to guarantee that treatment removed from an individual would be unnecessary treatment.

State Budget

- Voted pro-abortion against overriding Governor Earl's veto of the phrase, "The department shall give preference for grants to accomplish these purposes to organizations which do not receive grants under (family planning). This language was attached to the alternatives-to-abortion funds.
- Voted pro-abortion against overriding Governor Earl's veto of the phrase attached to alternatives-to-abortion funds, "The department shall make grants available to assist women with problem pregnancies in order that their pregnancies might be carried to term and assist women after their children have been born so that the women and their children might become productive, independent contributors to family and community life."
- Voted pro-abortion against overriding Governor Earl's veto of the phrase which stated that alternatives-to-abortion funds could not be used "to refer for abortions."

**BARRETT VOTING RECORD IN THE 1987-1988 SESSION OF THE WISCONSIN
STATE ASSEMBLY**

Barrett voted against the right-to-life position on 2 votes out of 2 votes cast.

AB 297 – Legislation to Weaken Right-to-Life Provisions in the Living Will Law

- Voted anti-life on a motion to refer AB 297 to the Assembly Committee on Government Operations, a motion which successfully killed the measure.
- Voted anti-life for a substitute amendment to AB 297 to create a check-off option on the living will document regarding the withholding or removal of nutrition and hydration.

**BARRETT VOTING RECORD IN THE 1989-1990 SESSION OF THE WISCONSIN
STATE SENATE**

Barrett voted against the right-to-life position on 14 votes out of 14 votes cast.

AB 38 - Legislation Requiring Parental Consent Prior to a Minor Girl's Abortion

- Declined to sign a letter to Senate Majority Leader asking for the opportunity to vote on AB 38 which did not reach the Senate floor for a vote.
- Voted pro-abortion twice against motions to withdraw AB 38 from a committee that had held the bill hostage.
- Voted pro-abortion for an amendment to AB 38 that would allow consent from an adult family member.
- Voted pro-abortion for an amendment to AB 38 to exempt a minor who claims to be suicidal from obtaining parental consent for an abortion.
- Voted pro-abortion for an amendment to AB 38 to exempt a minor who claims to be a victim of forcible or statutory rape from obtaining parental consent.
- Voted pro-abortion for an amendment to AB 38 that created numerous loopholes so that a minor could obtain an abortion without parental consent.

AB 305 – Legislation to Create a Power of Attorney for Health Care

- Voted anti-life for an amendment to AB 305 that would have created a presumption that a health care agent could make health care decisions for a pregnant woman unless her power of attorney for health care document prohibited it.
- Voted anti-life against two amendments to AB 305 to provide protection for an unborn child of a pregnant woman.

- Voted anti-life to reject an amendment to AB 305 which would have prohibited the withholding of nutrition and hydration unless the principal was in a terminal condition.
- Voted anti-life to reject an amendment to AB 305 to prohibit the withholding or withdrawal of life-sustaining procedures unless the principal was in a terminal condition.
- Voted anti-life for final passage of AB 305.

SB 434 – Legislation to Create and Fund School-Based Clinics

- Voted pro-abortion to recommend passage of SB 434, a bill to create and fund school-based clinics.

BARRETT VOTING RECORD IN THE 1991-1992 SESSION OF THE WISCONSIN STATE SENATE

Barrett voted against the right-to-life position on 28 votes out of 28 votes cast.

AB 180 – Legislation Requiring Parental Consent Prior to a Minor Girl's Abortion

- Voted pro-abortion for every weakening amendment to AB 180 on the Senate floor and in the Education Committee.
- Voted pro-abortion to table (kill) the stronger Assembly version of AB 180.

AB 559 -- Legislation to Weaken Right-to-Life Provisions in the Living Will

- Voted anti-life on all amendments and on concurrence for the amended AB 559.

TOM BARRETT'S VOTING RECORD IN THE 105TH CONGRESS – 1997-1998

Barrett voted against the right-to-life position on 16 out of 20 votes cast.

- Voted pro-abortion to allow FDA approval of chemical abortion methods.
- Voted pro-abortion to allow transportation of a minor girl across state lines to obtain a secret abortion without her parents' knowledge or consent.
- Voted pro-abortion to allow the use of federal tax dollars for abortions in military hospitals, for Medicaid recipients, for prison inmates, for federal employees, for residents of the District of Columbia, and for women overseas.

TOM BARRETT'S VOTING RECORD IN THE 106TH CONGRESS - 1999-2000

Barrett voted against the right-to-life position on 19 out of 20 votes cast.

- Voted pro-abortion to allow FDA approval of chemical abortion methods.
- Voted pro-abortion to allow transportation of a minor girl across state lines to obtain a secret abortion without her parents' knowledge or consent.
- Voted pro-abortion to allow the use of federal tax dollars to fund abortions in military hospitals, for federal employees, for prison inmates, and for women overseas.
- Voted pro-abortion to allow physicians to bargain for abortion coverage.
- Voted pro-abortion against the Unborn Victims of Violence Act, legislation to recognize unborn children as separate victims when they are killed or injured as a result of violence inflicted upon their pregnant mothers.
- Voted anti-life against the Pain Relief Promotion Act.

TOM BARRETT'S VOTING RECORD IN THE 107TH CONGRESS - 2001-2002

Barrett voted against the right-to-life position on 16 out of 16 votes cast.

- Voted pro-abortion against the Unborn Victims of Violence Act, legislation to recognize unborn children as separate victims when they are killed or injured as a result of violence inflicted upon their pregnant mothers.
- Voted pro-abortion against the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act.
- Voted anti-life to allow human cloning.
- Voted pro-abortion to allow transportation of a minor girl across state lines to obtain a secret abortion without her parents' knowledge or consent.
- Voted pro-abortion to allow the use of federal tax dollars for abortions in military hospitals for prison inmates, and for women overseas.
- Voted pro-abortion against the Abortion Non-Discrimination Act.

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