

THE SILENCE REPORT

Bob Onder Cast ~105 Votes on Real Legislation.
He Explained 4 of Them.

Fraser for Congress | Missouri District 3 | August 4, 2026 Primary

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Votes on Real Legislation

4

Votes He Explained to You

1 in 26

Votes Explained (Less Than 4%)

Your congressman is in Washington casting votes on your behalf every week. How many of those votes did he explain to you? We went through every press release and newsletter he has ever published — the complete record — and cross-referenced it against every significant vote he has cast since January 2025. Here is what we found.

HOW WE COUNTED — AND WHY THE NUMBER IS CONSERVATIVE

When people hear that Onder cast 537 total roll call votes, the fair response is: many of those are procedural. That is correct. So we stripped out every procedural vote and kept only the votes that directly create or change law.

Vote Type	What It Is	Count	Counted?
On Passage	Final up/down vote on a bill becoming law	~67	✓ YES
On Agreeing to Amendment	Adds, removes, or modifies provisions in a bill	~38	✓ YES
On Ordering the Previous Question	Ends debate — nearly always a party-line vote, rarely consequential	~68	X NO
On Motion to Recommit	Democrats send bill back to committee — Republicans vote no every time	~62	X NO
Rules / Consideration Resolutions / Other Procedural	Sets debate rules, motion to adjourn, quorum calls, etc.	~302	X NO
TOTAL SUBSTANTIVE (Passage + Amendments)	The actual law-making votes — what we count	~105	✓ YES

Source: clerk.house.gov 2025 roll call index (362 total); 119th Congress 2nd Session roll call records; legisletter.org/legislator/bob-onder-0000177/votes; GovTrack.us.

THE 4 VOTES HE EXPLAINED — AND WHAT HE LEFT OUT

We read every press release and newsletter Onder published. Here are the 4 times he explained a vote — and what he chose not to say.

1. H.R. 1 — One Big Beautiful Bill Act — Press release, July 7, 2025

He said: "This is a huge win for the American people and a clear affirmation of the America First agenda."

What he omitted: No mention of the CBO's finding that the bill adds \$3.4 trillion to the national debt. No mention of the \$356M SNAP cut to Missouri. No mention of the \$1.6B Medicaid cut. No mention of conservative senators Ron Johnson and Rand Paul calling it a "debt bomb." No mention of the \$1.2B potential penalty Missouri now faces.

2. Government Shutdown End — Press release, November 13, 2025

He said: "750,000 Americans went without paychecks. Our TSA agents worked without pay. Families faced uncertainty about their SNAP benefits. It was long past time to act."

What he omitted: No mention that he voted AYE on RC 281 (September 19, 2025) — triggering the 43-day shutdown he then described as a crisis. He described the harm. He caused the harm. His press release treats them as unconnected.

3. SAVE Act (H.R. 22) — Newsletter, March 14, 2026

He said: "Americans deserve elections they can trust... That's why the SAVE America Act is so critical."

What he omitted: No mention that the Heritage Foundation — the most conservative research organization in America — documents only 100 noncitizen voter fraud cases since 2000 out of 1.5 billion ballots cast: 0.000007%. He is a physician and an attorney. He chose not to show voters this number.

4. Deporting Fraudsters Act — Newsletter, March 21, 2026

He said: Highlighted House passage of the bill as a legislative accomplishment.

What he omitted: This is the one explanation where he did not omit information damaging to his constituents. It is included because it represents his complete output of vote explanations across 17 months in office.

THE VOTES HE NEVER EXPLAINED

The following significant votes affecting Missouri District 3 families and farmers received zero explanation — no press release, no newsletter, no statement of any kind on onder.house.gov.

Vote	Impact on District 3	Explained?
RC 94 — H.Res.313 (Tariff Block) Apr 9, 2025 — AYE	Blocked all tariff-disapproval resolutions through Sept 30, 2025. Missouri soybean losses: ~\$524M. China bought zero U.S. soybeans Sept–Oct 2025 — peak MO harvest. <i>Source: clerk.house.gov/Votes/202594; ASA</i>	X Silence
RC 65 — H.J.Res.72 (Canada Tariffs) Feb 11, 2026 — NAY	Voted to keep 25% Canada tariffs. Yale Budget Lab: tariffs cost MO households \$780–\$1,338/yr. St. Louis CPI: furnishings +8.6%, apparel +6.0%. <i>Source: clerk.house.gov/Votes/202665; Yale Budget Lab Apr 2026</i>	X Silence
H.R. 6703 (ACA Premiums) Dec 17, 2025 — AYE (against extension)	417,000 Missourians saw premiums double in 2026 when ACA credits expired. 17 Republicans crossed party lines Jan 8, 2026 to fix it. Onder stayed with leadership. <i>Source: Missouri Independent; KFF</i>	X Silence
RC 114 — H.Con.Res.40 (War Powers Iran) Apr 16, 2026 — NAY	Voted to keep U.S. forces in Iran war without congressional authorization. Failed 213–214. 13 Americans killed. \$2B/day. Only Rep. Massie crossed over. <i>Source: clerk.house.gov/Votes/2026114</i>	X Silence
H.Con.Res.75 (War Powers Iran — 2nd vote) May 14, 2026 — NAY	Second chance to bring U.S. forces home from unauthorized Iran war. Onder voted no again. He sits on the Constitution and Limited Government subcommittee. <i>Source: clerk.house.gov H.Con.Res.75</i>	X Silence
RC 168/203 — H.R.4 (Hurting Farmers — Cut MU Research) Jun–Jul 2025 — AYE both	Cut \$9.4B including Feed the Future — funding MU agricultural research and MO agribusiness export development, eliminated at the peak China soybean blackout. Hurt Missouri farmers when they needed new buyers most. <i>Source: clerk.house.gov/Votes/2025168; 2025203</i>	X Silence
H.J.Res.139 (Balanced Budget Amendment) Mar 18, 2026 — YEA	Voted for a Balanced Budget Amendment 8 months after voting to add \$3.4T to the national debt with H.R.1. Required future Congresses to balance a budget he just blew up. <i>Source: clerk.house.gov H.J.Res.139, Mar 18, 2026</i>	X Silence

Vote	Impact on District 3	Explained?
H.R. 7567 (Farm Bill) Apr 30, 2026 — YEA	The first Farm Bill in years — directly affects MO agriculture. No explanation of what it does for Missouri farmers or what he fought for in it. <i>Source: clerk.house.gov H.R.7567</i>	X Silence
Section 224 / FUTURES Act — Hidden in NDAA HASC Jun 4, 2026 — No statement	A bill that couldn't pass on its own was buried on page 700 of an 1,800-page must-pass defense bill. The NDAA has passed every year since 1961. Section 224 passed HASC committee June 4, 2026. Goes to a full House floor vote. Onder must go on record. No statement from Onder. <i>Sources: congress.gov/119/bills/s3855; Responsible Statecraft May 27; Al Jazeera June 4, 2026</i>	X Silence
S.Con.Res.33 (FY2026 Budget Resolution) Apr 30, 2026 — YEA	Sets the overall spending framework for the federal government. No explanation of what the budget means for Missouri programs, spending priorities, or district impact. <i>Source: clerk.house.gov S.Con.Res.33</i>	X Silence

WHAT HE DID COMMUNICATE ABOUT

While keeping silent on the votes above, Onder issued the following communications — none of which explained a vote:

Topic	Volume	Type
Churchill Museum National Historic Landmark Act	4 separate communications	<i>Bills he introduced or championed</i>
Trans surgery ban on minors (Chloe Cole Act)	3 separate communications	<i>Bills he introduced or championed</i>
Business Spotlights (Bowman Consulting, Seyer Industries, Bascom Hunter)	5 newsletters	<i>District spotlights — no legislation</i>
Pro-life announcements (caucus chair, fetal tissue bill)	2 communications	<i>Appointments and bill introductions</i>
Aviation safety / ROTOR Act	2 communications	<i>Bill he co-introduced</i>
Missouri River Management	1 communication	<i>Bipartisan letter — no vote</i>
Memorial Day tribute	1 newsletter	<i>Ceremonial</i>
Reagan National Airport crash memorial	1 newsletter	<i>Ceremonial</i>

The Churchill Museum received more press releases from your congressman than your health insurance premiums, your farm loans, your SNAP benefits, and the war American service members are fighting in — combined.

THE NEWSLETTER GAP

Onder has been in office for roughly 75 weeks (January 2025 through June 2026). He published 11 newsletters total — meaning approximately 64 weeks went by with no newsletter at all. In those weeks, he cast dozens of votes on legislation affecting every family in District 3.

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THE BENCHMARK: REP. ASHLEY HINSON (R-IOWA)

Onder is not being held to an impossible standard. Republican colleagues communicate with their constituents regularly. Rep. Ashley Hinson (R-Iowa-2) is a useful benchmark — she is a Republican, elected the same cycle, and represents a genuinely competitive swing district.

<p>Bob Onder MO-3 R+27 (Safest Republican Seat in MO)</p> <p>393 days before first newsletter 11 newsletters total in 75 weeks in office <i>No podcast. No weekly column. No tele-townhalls.</i></p>	<p>Rep. Ashley Hinson (R) Iowa-2 Genuine Competitive Swing District</p> <p>6 days before first newsletter (Jan 9, 2025) 52+ newsletters every single week without interruption <i>Source: hinson.house.gov/media/newsletters — verified June 2026</i></p>
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Rep. Hinson represents a district that could flip to Democrats in 2026. She has every political reason to communicate constantly. Onder holds one of the safest Republican seats in Missouri — rated R+27. If any congressman could afford to go quiet, it's him. He is the one who went quiet. The congressman who has the least to lose from communicating communicated the least.

THE BOTTOM LINE

A congressman who doesn't explain his votes doesn't think you deserve to know what he's doing in Washington.

The 4 votes Onder chose to explain were selected because they made him look good — or because he could frame them favorably. The votes that cost Missouri families money, sent American service members into an unauthorized war, doubled premiums for 417,000 Missourians, hurt Missouri farmers at the worst possible moment, added \$3.4 trillion to the national debt, and hid legislation inside a must-pass defense bill: complete silence.

John Fraser will be different. He will explain every significant vote he casts — what it does, what it costs, and why he cast it. That is what accountability looks like. Words are cheap. Votes are permanent.

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