

Les AuCoin. Democrat.

Our new kind of U.S. Congressman.

Les AuCoin. 34. Husband.
Father.

And a man from Oregon.

When you're from Oregon, people matter. You try to be a problem-solver. That's what the Oregon Story is all about -- a story Les AuCoin has had a hand in writing. It's a story of how government can be made to work. For you.

And now Les AuCoin is spreading our message in Washington.

He's working for big reforms -- making Congress do its business in public. And cutting down the old seniority system that rewarded House members just for being around a long time, not for performance.

Les meant it when he said he would be a problem solver. He installed a toll-free telephone line -- 1-800-452-1920 -- so you can enlist his help overcoming the bureaucratic tangle. Twelve hundred people brought problems to Les last year -- lost Social Security checks, wrongful denial of veteran's benefits, for example. In 75 percent of the cases, Les was able to make a difference.

And he meant it when he said he would be a budget-cutter. He has voted for billions of dollars less in federal spending than was recommended by the President. He voted against the Congressional pay raise -- twice.



He worked for tax reform, and helped strip Big Oil of a \$2.9-billion depletion allowance.

He thinks if anybody should get a break, it's the average taxpayer, and small businesses threatened with extinction because of high estate taxes. And Les's votes helped produce some breaks for "the little guy."

That's the approach Les AuCoin brings to his job. With that approach, Les has brought help to our fishermen, senior citizens, small businessmen, farmers, and people throughout the First District. All in his first term.

That's why the Jaycees named Les one of Oregon's Five Outstanding Young Men of the Year.

Les AuCoin. Our kind of Congressman. Because he makes a difference.

Some goals for 1977.

Congressman AuCoin believes it's important for you to know what a man stands for when he asks for your vote. Here are Les's major goals in the next Congress:

Tax Reform -- Renew efforts to close \$3-billion in tax loopholes.

National Health Insurance -- To make hospital and medical care within reach of your pocketbook.

Protect the Environment -- Keep fighting for a National Bottle Bill, strip-mining controls; tougher legislation to prohibit dumping of poisonous chemicals in U.S. waterways; continue efforts to save the whales.

Restrain Government Spending -- Pass "zero-based budgeting", to put all spending programs on a show-results-or-else basis.

Protect Social Security -- Strengthen programs, prevent bankruptcy of the system.

Re-elect Les AuCoin.

He gets results.

Les AuCoin makes a big difference to Clatsop County.....



Congressman Les AuCoin tends to business both in Congress and in Clatsop County.

When the issues you care about come before Congress, Les is there, representing you. Proof is his record on "Key House Votes" listed by Congressional Quarterly for the last two years. Les AuCoin was there, and voting, on every one of them.

Here's more evidence: Thirty-four major interest groups -- consumer, business, environmental, women's organizations and more -- kept track of who voted on issues of importance to them. Les AuCoin was present, and voting, 93 percent of the time.

And yet, Les still tends to the business of Clatsop County. Here's how:

- The nation needs more housing, and Oregon needs more jobs. Les AuCoin won approval of four significant amendments to the Housing Act to provide more housing-- and provide more jobs for Oregon loggers, plywood workers, and others involved in the forest products industry.

- Les AuCoin voted for the bill to help finance much-needed public works projects, like the

proposal for a new Astoria fire station, and the Hammond civic center. But Les didn't just vote. He also sent a member of his staff to Clatsop County to help local officials learn more about the public works program... to help smaller governments compete with the bigger cities and counties.

- The Internal Revenue Service tried to get owners of small commercial fishing boats to pay some taxes that might have been owed by their former employes. Les AuCoin got legislation passed to overturn this unfair ruling.

- The Knappa Water Association faced a lot of red tape while trying to get a Farmers Home Administration loan to pay for extension of service to 70 more families. The association secretary contacted Les AuCoin. Les worked with the FHA, and the project was moved ahead for faster consideration. And as a result, those families soon will be served by the Knappa water line.

- Federal court decisions on the Columbia River fisheries trouble us all. Les AuCoin proposed to other Northwest congressmen a pooling of resources to hire a fisheries expert who would help us answer the Boldt-Belloni decisions. As Les has said, fisheries management should be in the hands of the states -- not the courts.

Les AuCoin makes a difference -- to us.

WHAT PEOPLE SAY ABOUT LES AuCOIN

"Know you are happy about the 200-mile law. We are gratified to see the increase of interest regarding our fishing industry among so many. And you have had a large part in it all."

Mrs. R. Lee Gregory
Astoria

"I want to thank you very much in helping me get my disability pension from the Veterans' Administration. It makes me feel good to know we have men like you in Congress."

Fritz E. Olson
St. Helens