



Claim	Backup
<p>Foster is a long-time advocate for abortion rights.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Voted for The Women’s Health Protection Act <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In July 2022, Foster voted for this bill that “prohibits governmental restrictions on the provision of, and access to, abortion services.” - [HR 8296, Vote #360, 7/15/22] - Voted Against A 20-Week Abortion Ban <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In October 2017, Foster voted against: “Passage of the bill that would prohibit abortions in cases where the probable age of the fetus is 20 weeks or later and would impose criminal penalties on doctors who violate the ban. - [HR 36, Vote #549, 10/3/17; CQ, 10/3/17] - Has a 100% pro-choice lifetime score from Planned Parenthood Action <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - “Score: 100%” - [Voter Voice, 2/14/24]
<p>Foster is a pro-worker, pro-union job creator.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Worked with UAW workers to re-open the Chrysler plant in Belvidere <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - U.S. Rep. Bill Foster, who represents Belvidere, said workers were forced to move to another plant in Ohio when the factory shuttered. He read a message from his congressional colleague on Saturday evening saying... ‘They were so emotional and they so want to return to Belvidere. I’m proud of the UAW and proud to serve with you, Bill. You know that’s why you take this job, to do everything you can for the people you represent.’” - [ABC7, 10/28/2023] - Voted For The PRO Act Expanding Authorities Of The National Labor Relations Board And Protecting Collective Bargaining Rights

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In March 2021, Foster voted for: “Passage of the bill, as amended, that would expand enforcement authorities of the National Labor Relations Board and modify procedures by which employees may unionize and elect representation under federal labor law.” - [HR 842, Vote #70, 3/9/21; CQ, 3/9/21] - Voted For Final Passage Of The Raise The Wage Act, Which Would Raise The Minimum Wage To \$15 Per Hour <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - In July 2019, Foster voted for: “Passage of the bill, as amended, that would increase the federal minimum wage to \$8.40 per hour on the first day of the third month after enactment and would incrementally increase it annually to reach \$15 per hour six years after the effective date. - [HR 582, Vote #496, 7/18/19; CQ, 7/18/19] - Founded Electronic Theatre Controls (ETC) Inc., a Midwest manufacturing company, at the age of 19 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - “The company [Electronic Theatre Controls Inc.] now manufactures about 70% of the theater lighting equipment in the United States, and exports about a third of what we manufacture.” - [Forbes, 7/6/2022] - Kept ETC and good-paying jobs in the Midwest. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - “...for 30 years my brother and I have been absolutely committed to keeping those jobs in the Midwest, and we have.” - [Daily Kos, 2/4/2008] - Declined offers to move to China and stayed in Wisconsin <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - “In light of all this overseas expansion, it should come as no surprise that the City of Middleton - home to ETC for the thirty years Bill Foster tells us he and his brother Fred have been saying ‘no sale’ to those who wish to tempt the company into moving its manufacturing to someplace like China - is less than certain it can count on the Fosters to keep their word about such things.” - [Daily Kos, 2/4/2008]
Foster supports policies	- Voted for the CHIPS and Science Act

backed by science.

- In July 2021, Foster voted for the CHIPS and Science Act which “provides funds to support the domestic production of semiconductors and authorizes various programs and activities of the federal science agencies.”
 - HR 4346, [Vote #239](#), 7/28/21]
- **Voted For The PFAS Action Act, Authorizing The EPA To Address The Impacts Of Per- And Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) On Drinking Water**
 - In February 2015, Foster voted for: “Passage of the bill that would require the Environmental Protection Agency to take a number of regulatory actions and establish grant programs to address the impacts of per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances, or PFAS.”
 - [HR 2467, [Vote #217](#), 7/21/21; CQ, [7/21/21](#)]
- **Voted For Congressional Disapproval Of The Trump Administration’s Methane Rule And Reinstating The Obama Administration’s Methane Emission Standards**
 - In June 2021, Foster Voted For: “Passage of the joint resolution that would provide for congressional disapproval of a September 2020 Environmental Protection Agency rule that reversed 2012 and 2016 rules establishing emission standards -- or new source performance standards -- to limit the amount of methane and volatile organic compounds that can be released in the production, processing, transportation, and storage of oil and natural gas.”
 - [SJ Res 14, [Vote #185](#), 6/25/21; CQ, [6/25/21](#)]
- **Voted For The Coastal and Great Lakes Communities Enhancement Act**
 - In December 2019, Foster voted for: “Passage of the bill, as amended, that would authorize or reauthorize a number of Commerce and Interior department programs and activities related to coastal community development and climate change adaptation.”
 - [HR 729, [Vote #667](#), 12/10/19; CQ, [12/10/19](#)]