

**Les AuCoin  
is a  
pain-in-the-neck  
to some people  
in Congress.**

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# Les AuCoin vs. the Good Ol' Boys in Congress.

Les AuCoin didn't make "buddies" in Congress, but he did make sense when he fought successfully to end the old seniority system.

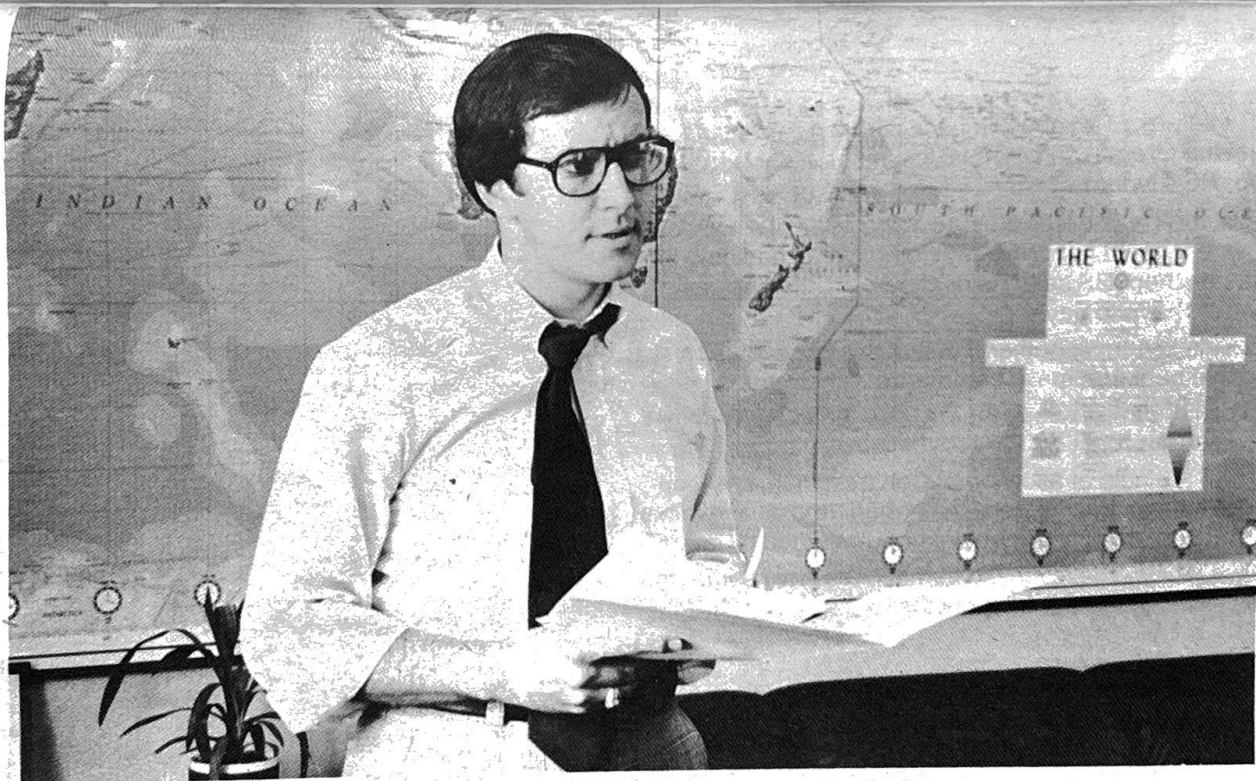
Because leaders who are out of touch should be out of power.

Les AuCoin won no points with the House leadership on July 30, 1975. On that day Les AuCoin stood up to them — and stood up for fiscal sanity — when he

opposed the Congressional pay raise.

Right now, Les AuCoin is fighting to force members of Congress to disclose their personal finances. We'll be able to know not only *how* Congressmen vote — but maybe even *why*.

That won't win AuCoin any popularity contest in Congress either. But it would mean a small victory for public confidence. And Les knows we need it.



# Les AuCoin vs. the I.R.S.



The Internal Revenue Service decided it was time to get the Oregon commercial fishing boat operators to do IRS's work.

All it took was a little change in the rules. If small boat owners could not prove their employees had paid their taxes, then IRS said the boat owners, themselves, would have to pay.

It didn't seem to bother IRS that this one provision could bankrupt many commercial fishermen.

The fishermen raised their voices. And Les AuCoin raised the roof.

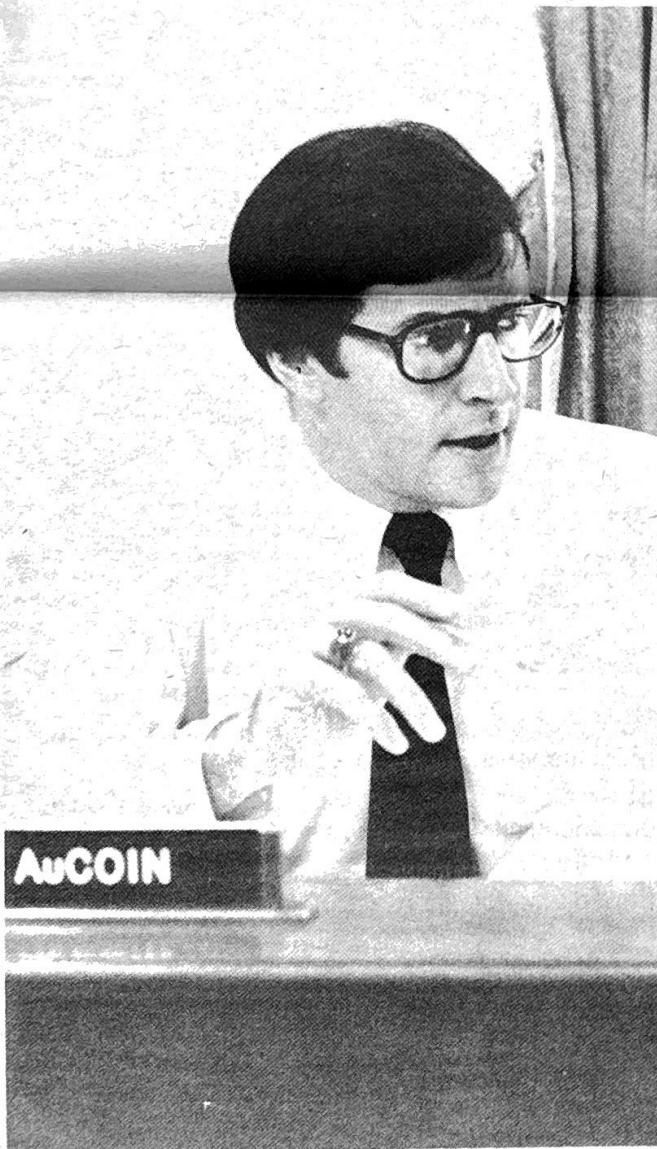
With the help of a few other Congressmen, Les won the fight to rescue these fishermen. And as a result of that fight, the fishermen are now protected by law.

Les AuCoin believes the bureaucrats have some lessons to learn. He taught them one.

# Les AuCoin

VS.

## the big spenders.



Les AuCoin drew a bead on Federal spending when he first arrived in Washington. He has been voting to bring the big spenders under control ever since. Because there are limits to our resources — both natural and financial.

He voted for 18 billion dollars less in Federal spending than the President recommended. And with that saving Congressman AuCoin says we could do more for our own country, and its people.

He voted to cut four billion dollars out of the foreign aid budget, because that is more than enough to pay for a Consumer Protection Agency to protect us against price-gouging.

He voted to limit military spending, saving 17 billion dollars because we need to get started instead on a national health insurance program to provide health care you can afford.

Les AuCoin has co-sponsored "zero-base budgeting," to force Federal agencies to prove — every year — that their tax-finance programs are actually getting results. No proof, no money.

It's not just a question of spending. It's what we should be spending on that Les AuCoin is making his fight in Congress.

Les AuCoin sees things differently than the big spenders. And Les AuCoin is making a difference.

# Les AuCoin vs. the polluters.



Throwaway bottles and cans litter the sidewalks of New York. And Delaware. And Pennsylvania. And almost every other state.

But not in Oregon. We had the good sense to decide we didn't want garbage on our streets, in our lakes and streams, and on our beaches.

As a state legislator, Les AuCoin helped lead the debate to get the Oregon Bottle Bill into law. Out-of-state lobbyists — and Les AuCoin's opponent in this 1976 campaign — called the bill "environmental hysteria."

They were wrong. We won.

Now, Les AuCoin is working for a National Bottle Bill.

But we all know that saving the environment means more than passing a bottle bill.

It also means laws controlling the disposal of poisonous chemical wastes now being dumped into rivers and streams.

Strong laws for clean air. And clean water.

Laws requiring strip-miners to put the land back the way they found it.

And dozens of others.

We can win these battles too. With Les AuCoin. Because *he* doesn't see anything "hysterical" about saving the environment.

# Les AuCoin: Listening in Oregon. Fighting in Washington.



To get the job done for Oregon, you have to be in Oregon, often. And you have to *listen* to people. And then you have to go back to Washington and *fight* for the people.

Les AuCoin returns to Oregon more often than any other member of the state's congressional delegation. Here, he learns first-hand what people think. And then it's back to Washington, where he puts your thinking to work.

**And he gets results.**

He co-sponsored and helped pass the 200-mile limit law — and now is leading the investigation into possible foreign efforts to sidestep the law.

He sponsored successful legislation to get more housing built... faster. For that, he got the national award given by the Leased Housing Association.

He joined in filing a suit that helped force legislation to suspend the Postal Service plan to close post offices at Monmouth, Manzanita, Columbia City, Otis and Neotsu.

He found out that Environmental Protection Agency bureaucrats were trying to take two research programs away from Corvallis. Les AuCoin stopped them, both times.

He helped rally freshman Democratic support for renewal of Revenue Sharing — the policy that returns money to state and local governments for education, police and fire protection, public works, and more.

He saved the Oregon Filbert Research Program from extinction.

He found a way to help small businesses on the Portland Transit Mall *stay* in business.

He co-sponsored and helped pass laws increasing estate tax exemptions, to help small business survive. Because he listens better in Oregon, he fights better in Washington. Les AuCoin. For Congress. Again.

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## Les AuCoin. A New Kind of Congressman.

### Our Kind.



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. And he's solving "little" problems, too. They may not be the kind that rattle the marble halls of Congress, but they can be the difference between a meal or no meal for a Social Security recipient who didn't get her check on time.

So none of the problems are really little. They're all important to Les AuCoin, because people are important to him.

Twelve hundred people have brought their problems to Les AuCoin in the last two years. In 75 percent of the cases, Les was able to make a difference.

That's the approach... the sense of values... Les AuCoin brings to his job. With that approach, Les AuCoin 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 AuCoin one of Oregon's Five Outstanding Young Men of the Year.

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