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Congressional News

- Senator John McCain has stated that he intended to oppose 2 executive confirmations in a Senate Energy and Natural Resource Committee Hearing citing the administration's concerns regarding a land exchange bill (Resolution Copper), which the Senator co-sponsors. During a hearing last month in a Senate subcommittee, a Forest Service Deputy Director cited specific concerns with the bill as written, and stated that a more thorough analysis would be conducted over the next several weeks.
- H.R.715 a public lands bill sponsored by Congressman Raul Grijalva, CD-7, includes a measure to expand Arizona's Saguaro National Park by nearly 1000 acres. The bill cleared a House subcommittee hearing. An amendment was offered by Congressman Rob Bishop- Utah, to strike this provision from the lands omnibus, but it was defeated by a voice vote.
- H.R.2454 the Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009 recently passed a roll call vote in the US House of Representatives. It has since been transmitted to the Senate where it has undergone 1st and 2nd reads and currently sits on a legislative calendar. The large 'cap and trade' measure is receiving skeptical reception in the upper chamber even with recently added nuclear energy incentives as some members (particularly pro-nuclear energy members) are not convinced that the measure will substantiate enough consumer savings nor alter consumer usage.

Congressional Legislation 2009

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Bill Tracking List

**Highlighted information indicates that the information has changed or been added since the last issue of the Congressional Courant.*

**The Arizona Game and Fish Commission's formal positions on legislation are indicated in the summaries below.*

H.R.45 (Blair Holt's Firearm Licensing and Record of Sale Act of 2009)

Title: To provide for the implementation of a system of licensing for purchasers of certain firearms and for a record of sale system for those firearms, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Rush, Bobby L.](#) [IL-1] (introduced 1/6/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

H.R.48 (Asian Carp Prevention and Control Act)

Title: To amend section 42 of title 18, United States Code, popularly known as the Lacey Act, to add certain species of carp to the list of injurious species that are prohibited from being imported or shipped.

Sponsor: [Rep Biggert, Judy](#) [IL-13] (introduced 1/6/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

H.R.80 (Captive Primate Safety Act)

Title: To amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to treat nonhuman primates as prohibited wildlife species under that Act, to make corrections in the provisions relating to captive wildlife offenses under that Act, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Blumenauer, Earl](#) [OR-3] (introduced 1/6/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (27)

Related Bills: [S.462](#)

Latest Major Action: 5/14/2009 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Environment and Public Works. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.

H.R.146 (Striker-Public Lands Omnibus 2009)

Title: An act to designate certain land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, to authorize certain programs and activities in the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Holt, Rush D.](#) [NJ-12] (introduced 1/6/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (10)

Related Bills: [H.RES.280](#), [H.R.165](#), [H.R.166](#), [H.R.169](#), [H.R.170](#), [H.R.234](#), [H.R.279](#), [H.R.280](#), [H.R.283](#), [H.R.286](#), [H.R.316](#), [H.R.328](#), [H.R.337](#), [H.R.338](#), [H.R.351](#), [H.R.369](#), [H.R.401](#), [H.R.404](#), [H.R.408](#), [H.R.410](#), [H.R.419](#), [H.R.438](#), [H.R.453](#), [H.R.454](#), [H.R.455](#), [H.R.488](#), [H.R.545](#), [H.R.552](#), [H.R.602](#), [H.R.604](#), [H.R.763](#), [H.R.921](#), [H.R.1435](#), [H.R.1694](#), [S.22](#)

Latest Major Action: Became Public Law No: 111-11 [GPO: [Text](#), [PDF](#)] 3/30/09.

Note: Omnibus land bill.

H.R.324 (Santa Cruz Valley National Heritage Area Act)

Title: To establish the Santa Cruz Valley National Heritage Area, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 1/8/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.

H.R.325 (Avra/Black Wash Reclamation and Riparian Restoration Project)

Title: To amend the Reclamation Wastewater and Groundwater Study and Facilities Act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to participate in the Avra/Black Wash Reclamation and Riparian Restoration Project.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 1/8/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 6/3/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

H.R.326 (Cocopah Lands Act)

Title: To direct the Secretary of the Interior to take lands in Yuma County, Arizona, into trust as part of the reservation of the Cocopah Tribe of Arizona, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 1/8/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 4/2/2009 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Indian Affairs. Hearings held.

H.R.388 (Crane Conservation Act of 2009)

Title: To assist in the conservation of cranes by supporting and providing, through projects of persons and organizations with expertise in crane conservation, financial resources for the conservation programs of countries the activities of which directly or indirectly affect cranes and the ecosystems of cranes.

Sponsor: [Rep Baldwin, Tammy](#) [WI-2] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (11)

Related Bills: [S.197](#)

Latest Major Action: 5/14/2009 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Environment and Public Works. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.

H.R.405 (Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program Act)

Title: To authorize appropriations for the Bureau of Reclamation to carry out the Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program in the States of Arizona, California, and Nevada, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Heller, Dean](#) [NV-2] (introduced 1/9/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.

H.R.411 (Great Cats and Rare Canids Act of 2009)

Title: To assist in the conservation of rare felids and rare canids by supporting and providing financial resources for the conservation programs of nations within the range of rare felid and rare canid populations and projects of persons with demonstrated expertise in the conservation of rare felid and rare canid populations.

Sponsor: [Rep Inslee, Jay](#) [WA-1] (introduced 1/9/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (7)

Related Bills: [S.529](#)

Latest Major Action: 4/22/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

H.R.503 (Prevention of Equine Cruelty Act of 2009)

Title: To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain conduct relating to the use of horses for human consumption.

Sponsor: [Rep Conyers, John, Jr.](#) [MI-14] (introduced 1/14/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (122)

Related Bills: [S.727](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/16/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

H.R.510

Title: To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require that the payment of the manufacturers' excise tax on recreational equipment be paid quarterly.

Sponsor: [Rep Kind, Ron](#) [WI-3] (introduced 1/14/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (49)

Related Bills: [S.632](#)

Latest Major Action: 1/14/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

AGF Commission Position: **Support**

H.R.551 (Sierra Vista Sub-watershed Feasibility Study Act)

Title: To authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation, to conduct a feasibility study of water augmentation alternatives in the Sierra Vista Subwatershed.

Sponsor: [Rep Giffords, Gabrielle](#) [AZ-8] (introduced 1/15/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.

H.R.642 (Recreational Shooting Protection Act)

Title: To provide opportunities for continued recreational shooting on certain Federal public land.

Sponsor: [Rep Flake, Jeff](#) [AZ-6] (introduced 1/22/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests, and Public Lands.

H.R.644 (Grand Canyon Watersheds Protection Act of 2009)

Title: To withdraw the Tusayan Ranger District and Federal land managed by the Bureau of Land Management in the vicinity of Kanab Creek and in House Rock Valley from location, entry, and patent under the mining laws, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 1/22/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (10)

Latest Major Action: 2/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.

H.R.647

Title: To authorize the International Boundary and Water Commission to reimburse State and local governments of the States of Arizona, California, New Mexico, and Texas for expenses incurred by such a government in designing, constructing, and rehabilitating water projects under the jurisdiction of such Commission.

Sponsor: [Rep Hinojosa, Ruben](#) [TX-15] (introduced 1/22/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (2)

Latest Major Action: 1/23/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

H.R.669 (Nonnative Wildlife Invasion Prevention Act)

Title: To prevent the introduction and establishment of nonnative wildlife species that negatively impact the economy, environment, or other animal species' or human health, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Bordallo, Madeleine Z.](#) [GU] (introduced 1/26/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (30)

Latest Major Action: 4/23/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

H.R.699 (Hardrock Mining and Reclamation Act of 2009)

Title: To modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain lands, consistent with the principles of self-initiation of mining claims, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Rahall, Nick J., II](#) [WV-3] (introduced 1/27/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (31)

Latest Major Action: 2/26/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

H.R.715 (Saguaro National Park Boundary Expansion and Study Act of 2009)

Title: To expand the boundary of Saguaro National Park, to study additional land for future adjustments to the boundary of the Park, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 1/27/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 7/9/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported by Voice Vote.

H.R.1018

Title: To amend the Wild Free-Roaming Horses and Burros Act to improve the management and long-term health of wild free-roaming horses and burros, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Rahall, Nick J., II](#) [WV-3] (introduced 2/12/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (6)

Latest Major Action: 6/23/2009 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 94.

House Reports: [111-177](#)

H.R.1328 (Farmland Preservation and Land Conservation Act of 2009)

Title: To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow an unlimited exclusion from transfer taxes for certain farmland and land of conservation value, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Bishop, Timothy H.](#) [NY-1] (introduced 3/5/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (2)

Latest Major Action: 3/5/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R.1373

Title: To direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a resource study along the "Ox-Bow Route" of the Butterfield Overland Trail in the States of Missouri, Tennessee, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Texas, New Mexico, Arizona, and California, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Boozman, John](#) [AR-3] (introduced 3/6/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (3)

Latest Major Action: 3/11/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

H.R.1404 (F.L.A.M.E.)

Title: To authorize a supplemental funding source for catastrophic emergency wildland fire suppression activities on Department of the Interior and National Forest System lands, to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to develop a cohesive wildland fire management strategy, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Rahall, Nick J., II](#) [WV-3] (introduced 3/10/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (15)

Related Bills: [H.RES.281](#), [S.561](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/26/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

AGF Commission Position: **Support**

H.R.1520 (Federal Land Asset Inventory Reform Act of 2009)

Title: To improve Federal land management, resource conservation, environmental protection, and use of Federal real property, by requiring the Secretary of the Interior to develop a multipurpose cadastre of Federal real property and identifying inaccurate, duplicate, and out-of-date Federal land inventories, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Kind, Ron](#) [WI-3] (introduced 3/16/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (6)

Latest Major Action: 3/18/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

H.R.1584 (Flexibility in Rebuilding American Fisheries Act of 2009)

Title: To amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to extend the authorized time period for rebuilding of certain overfished fisheries, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Pallone, Frank, Jr.](#) [NJ-6] (introduced 3/18/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (13)

Latest Major Action: 3/23/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

H.R.1612 (Public Lands Service Corps Act of 2009)

Title: To amend the Public Lands Corps Act of 1993 to expand the authorization of the Secretaries of Agriculture, Commerce, and the Interior to provide service-learning opportunities on public lands, help restore the nation's natural, cultural, historic, archaeological, recreational, and scenic resources, train a new generation of public land managers and enthusiasts, and promote the value of public service.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 3/19/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (8)

Latest Major Action: 6/10/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.

H.R.1684 (Preservation of the Second Amendment in National Parks and National Wildlife Refuges Act)

Title: To preserve the rights granted under second amendment to the Constitution in national parks and national wildlife refuge areas.

Sponsor: [Rep Hastings, Doc](#) [WA-4] (introduced 3/24/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (47)

Latest Major Action: 3/27/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

H.R.1696 (Clean Ocean and Safe Tourism Anti-Drilling Act)

Title: To amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the outer Continental Shelf in the Mid-Atlantic and North Atlantic planning areas.

Sponsor: [Rep Pallone, Frank, Jr.](#) [NJ-6] (introduced 3/24/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (7)

Latest Major Action: 3/30/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.

H.R.1831 (Conservation Easement Incentive Act of 2009)

Title: To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation contributions.

Sponsor: [Rep Thompson, Mike](#) [CA-1] (introduced 3/31/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (116)

Related Bills: [S.812](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/31/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

H.R.1914

Title: To amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to provide for the suspension of each provision of the Act during periods of drought with respect to Federal and State agencies that manage Federal river basins that are located in each region affected by the drought.

Sponsor: [Rep Deal, Nathan](#) [GA-9] (introduced 4/2/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (3)

Latest Major Action: 4/13/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.

H.R.1916 (Migratory Bird Habitat Investment and Enhancement Act)

Title: To amend the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Act to provide for a revised schedule of price increases for the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp, popularly known as the "Duck Stamp", and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Dingell, John D.](#) [MI-15] (introduced 4/2/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 5/13/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

H.R.2062 (Migratory Bird Treaty Act Penalty and Enforcement Act of 2009)

Title: To amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to provide for penalties and enforcement for intentionally taking protected avian species, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep DeFazio, Peter A.](#) [OR-4] (introduced 4/23/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (11)

Latest Major Action: 5/13/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

H.R.2076 (Border Security and Responsibility Act 2009)

Title: To provide for the establishment of a border protection strategy for the international land borders of the United States, to address the ecological and environmental impacts of border security infrastructure, measures, and activities along the international land borders of the United States, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 4/23/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (18)

Latest Major Action: 5/15/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities.

H.R.2100 ("Tri-State")

Title: To provide for the conveyance of certain public land in Mohave Valley, Mohave County, Arizona, administered by the Bureau of Land Management to the Arizona Game and Fish Department, for use as a public shooting range.

Sponsor: [Rep Franks, Trent](#) [AZ-2] (introduced 4/27/2009) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 4/30/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

H.R.2188 (Joint Ventures for Bird Habitat Conservation Act of 2009)

Title: To authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to conduct a Joint Venture Program to protect, restore, enhance, and manage migratory bird populations, their habitats, and the ecosystems they rely on, through voluntary actions on public and private lands, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Kratovil, Frank, Jr.](#) [MD-1] (introduced 4/30/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (3)

Latest Major Action: 6/10/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.

H.R.2213

Title: To reauthorize the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act.

Sponsor: [Rep Kind, Ron](#) [WI-3] (introduced 4/30/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (2)

Related Bills: [S.690](#)

Latest Major Action: 5/4/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

H.R.2288 (Endangered Fish Recovery Programs Improvement Act of 2009)

Title: To amend Public Law 106-392 to maintain annual base funding for the Upper Colorado and San Juan fish recovery programs through fiscal year 2023.

Sponsor: [Rep Salazar, John T.](#) [CO-3] (introduced 5/6/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (9)

Latest Major Action: 5/11/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.

H.R.2308 (Sportsmanship in Hunting Act of 2009)

Title: To amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain interstate conduct relating to exotic animals and certain computer-assisted remote hunting, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Cohen, Steve](#) [TN-9] (introduced 5/7/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (2)

Latest Major Action: 6/12/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security

H.R.2454 American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009

Safe Climate Act

Title: To create clean energy jobs, achieve energy independence, reduce global warming pollution and transition to a clean energy economy.

Sponsor: [Rep Waxman, Henry A.](#) [CA-30] (introduced 5/15/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 7/7/2009 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 97.

House Reports: [111-137](#) Part 1

H.R.2509 Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act of 2009

Title: To secure Federal ownership and management of significant natural, scenic, and recreational resources, to provide for the protection of cultural resources, to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources by authorizing and directing an exchange of Federal and non-Federal land, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Kirkpatrick, Ann](#) [AZ-1] (introduced 5/20/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 5/20/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.2565 National Fish Habitat Conservation Act

Title: To conserve fish and aquatic communities in the United States through partnerships that foster fish habitat conservation, to improve the quality of life for the people of the United States, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Kind, Ron](#) [WI-3] (introduced 5/21/2009) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 5/21/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.2665 National Centers of Excellence for Regional Smart Growth Planning Act

Title: To establish national centers of excellence for regional smart growth planning, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Matsui, Doris O.](#) [CA-5] (introduced 6/2/2009) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 6/2/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure.

H.R.2807 America's Wildlife Heritage Act

Title: To sustain fish, plants, and wildlife on America's public lands.

Sponsor: [Rep Kind, Ron](#) [WI-3] (introduced 6/10/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 6/15/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

AGF Commission Position: **Support**

H.R.2944 Southern Arizona Public Lands Protection Act of 2009

Title: To withdraw certain Federal lands and interests located in Pima and Santa Cruz counties, Arizona, from the mining and mineral leasing laws of the United States, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Grijalva, Raul M.](#) [AZ-7] (introduced 6/18/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 6/23/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

H.R.2996 Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2010

Title: Making appropriations for the Department of the Interior, environment, and related agencies for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2010, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Rep Dicks, Norman D.](#) [WA-6] (introduced 6/23/2009) Cosponsors (None)

Related Bills: [H.RES.578](#)

Latest Major Action: 7/7/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 98.

House Reports: [111-180](#); **Senate Reports:** [111-38](#)

H.R.2998 American Clean Energy and Security Act of 2009

National Climate Service Act of 2009

Title: To create clean energy jobs, achieve energy independence, reduce global warming pollution and transition to a clean energy economy.

Sponsor: [Rep Waxman, Henry A.](#) [CA-30] (introduced 6/23/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (1)

Related Bills: [H.R.2454](#)

Latest Major Action: 6/23/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committees on Foreign Affairs, Ways and Means, Financial Services, Education and Labor, Science and Technology, Transportation and Infrastructure, Natural Resources, Agriculture, Oversight and Government Reform, and the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.

H.R.3046 Hunting Heritage Protection Act

Title: To recognize the heritage of hunting and provide opportunities for continued hunting on Federal public land.

Sponsor: [Rep Rehberg, Denny](#) [MT] (introduced 6/25/2009) Cosponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 6/25/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.3050 American Family Farm and Ranchland Protection Act

Title: To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to increase the limitations on the amount excluded from the gross estate with respect to land subject to a qualified conservation easement.

Sponsor: [Rep Blumenauer, Earl](#) [OR-3] (introduced 6/25/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (4)

S.22 (Striker H.R. 146, Public Lands Omnibus 2009)

Title: A bill to designate certain land as components of the National Wilderness Preservation System, to authorize certain programs and activities in the Department of the Interior and the Department of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Bingaman, Jeff](#) [NM] (introduced 1/7/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Related Bills: [H.R.169](#), [H.R.170](#), [H.R.222](#), [H.R.234](#), [H.R.280](#), [H.R.316](#), [H.R.328](#), [H.R.337](#), [H.R.338](#), [H.R.369](#), [H.R.401](#), [H.R.404](#), [H.R.407](#), [H.R.408](#), [H.R.419](#), [H.R.438](#), [H.R.454](#), [H.R.455](#), [H.R.488](#), [H.R.545](#), [H.R.552](#), [H.R.604](#), [H.R.608](#), [H.R.763](#), [H.R.867](#), [H.R.921](#), [H.R.926](#), [H.R.1109](#), [S.40](#), [S.109](#), [S.110](#), [S.135](#), [S.153](#), [S.159](#), [S.183](#), [S.188](#), [S.189](#), [S.190](#), [S.191](#), [S.215](#), [S.217](#), [S.219](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/11/2009 Failed of passage/not agreed to in House. Status: On motion to suspend the rules and pass the bill, as amended Failed by the Yeas and Nays: (2/3 required): 282 - 144 (Roll no. 117).

Note: For further action, see [H.R.146](#), which became Public Law 111-11 on 3/30/2009.

S.152 (Walnut Canyon Study Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to jointly conduct a study of certain land adjacent to the Walnut Canyon National Monument in the State of Arizona.

Sponsor: [Sen McCain, John](#) [AZ] (introduced 1/6/2009) Co-sponsors (1)

Latest Major Action: 1/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.197 (Crane Conservation Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to assist in the conservation of cranes by supporting and providing, through projects of persons and organizations with expertise in crane conservation, financial resources for the conservation programs of countries the activities of which directly or indirectly affect cranes and the ecosystem of cranes.

Sponsor: [Sen Feingold, Russell D.](#) [WI] (introduced 1/9/2009) Co-sponsors (9)

Related Bills: [H.R.388](#)

Latest Major Action: 1/9/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.297 (Charter and Recreational Fishing Collective Marketing Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to amend the Act entitled "An Act authorizing associations of producers of aquatic products" to include persons engaged in the fishery industry as charter boats or recreational fishermen, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Nelson, Bill](#) [FL] (introduced 1/22/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Related Bills: [S.477](#)

Latest Major Action: 1/22/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.373

Title: A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to include constrictor snakes of the species Python genera as an injurious animal.

Sponsor: [Sen Nelson, Bill](#) [FL] (introduced 2/3/2009) Co-sponsors (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/3/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.409 (Southeast Arizona Land Exchange/Resolution Copper)

SHORT TITLE(S) AS INTRODUCED:

Southeast Arizona Land Exchange and Conservation Act of 2009

Title: A bill to secure Federal ownership and management of significant natural, scenic, and recreational resources, to provide for the protection of cultural resources, to facilitate the efficient extraction of mineral resources by authorizing and directing an exchange of Federal and non-Federal land, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Kyl, Jon](#) [AZ] (introduced 2/11/2009) Co-sponsors (1)

Latest Major Action: 6/17/2009 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests. Hearings held.

S.462 (Captive Primate Safety Act)

Title: A bill to amend the Lacey Act Amendments of 1981 to prohibit the importation, exportation, transportation, and sale, receipt, acquisition, or purchase in interstate or foreign commerce, of any live animal of any prohibited wildlife species, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Boxer, Barbara](#) [CA] (introduced 2/24/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (7)

Related Bills: [H.R.80](#)

Latest Major Action: 2/24/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.477 (Fishermen's Collective Marketing Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to amend the Act entitled "An Act authorizing associations of producers of aquatic products" to include persons engaged in the fishery industry as charter boats or recreational fishermen, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Nelson, Bill](#) [FL] (introduced 2/25/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (None)

Related Bills: [S.297](#)

Latest Major Action: 2/25/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.489 (Migratory Bird Treaty Amendment Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to authorize hunting under certain circumstances.

Sponsor: [Sen Vitter, David](#) [LA] (introduced 2/26/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (None)

Latest Major Action: 2/26/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.529 (Great Cats and Rare Canids Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to assist in the conservation of rare felids and rare canids by supporting and providing financial resources for the conservation programs of countries within the range of rare felid and rare canid populations and projects of persons with demonstrated expertise in the conservation of rare felid and rare canid populations.

Sponsor: [Sen Lieberman, Joseph I.](#) [CT] (introduced 3/5/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (7)

Related Bills: [H.R.411](#)

Latest Major Action: 5/14/2009 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Environment and Public Works. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.

S.561 (F.L.A.M.E.)

Title: A bill to authorize a supplemental funding source for catastrophic emergency wildland fire suppression activities on Department of the Interior and National Forest System lands, to require the Secretary of the Interior and the Secretary of Agriculture to develop a cohesive wildland fire management strategy, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Bingaman, Jeff](#) [NM] (introduced 3/10/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (14)

Related Bills: [H.R.1404](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/10/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

AGF Commission Position: **Support**

S.632 (Firearms Fairness and Affordability Act)

Title: A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to require that the payment of the manufacturers' excise tax on recreational equipment be paid quarterly.

Sponsor: [Sen Baucus, Max](#) [MT] (introduced 3/18/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (8)

Related Bills: [H.R.510](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/18/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

AGF Commission Position: **Support**

S.655 (Teaming with Wildlife Act, 2009)

Title: A bill to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to ensure adequate funding for conservation and restoration of wildlife, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen. Johnson, Tim](#) [SD] (introduced 3/19/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (5)

Latest Major Action: 3/19/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

AGF Commission Position: **Support**

S.690

Title: A bill to amend the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act to reauthorize the Act.

Sponsor: [Sen. Cardin, Benjamin L.](#) [MD] (introduced 3/25/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (6)

Related Bills: [H.R.2213](#)

Latest Major Action: 6/18/2009 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Environment and Public Works. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.

S.720 (Federal Land REPAIR Act)

Title: A bill to provide a source of funds to carry out restoration activities on Federal land under the jurisdiction of the Secretary of the Interior or the Secretary of Agriculture, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Udall, Mark](#) [CO] (introduced 3/26/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 3/26/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.724

Title: A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to temporarily prohibit the Secretary of the Interior from considering global climate change as a natural or manmade factor in determining whether a species is a threatened or endangered species, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Barrasso, John](#) [WY] (introduced 3/26/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 3/26/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.727 (Prevention of Equine Cruelty Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to amend title 18, United States Code, to prohibit certain conduct relating to the use of horses for human consumption.

Sponsor: [Sen Landrieu, Mary L.](#) [LA] (introduced 3/26/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (16)

Related Bills: [H.R.503](#)

Latest Major Action: 3/26/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

S.783 (COAST Anti-Drilling Act)

Title: A bill to amend the Outer Continental Shelf Lands Act to permanently prohibit the conduct of offshore drilling on the outer Continental Shelf in the Mid-Atlantic and North Atlantic planning areas.

Sponsor: [Sen Menendez, Robert](#) [NJ] (introduced 4/2/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (1)

Latest Major Action: 4/2/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.796 (Hardrock Mining and Reclamation Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to modify the requirements applicable to locatable minerals on public domain land, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Bingaman, Jeff](#) [NM] (introduced 4/2/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (None)

Latest Major Action: 7/14/2009 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Date of scheduled hearing. SD-366. 10:00 a.m.

S.812 (Rural Heritage Conservation Extension Act of 2009)

Title: A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to make permanent the special rule for contributions of qualified conservation

contributions.

Sponsor: [Sen Baucus, Max](#) [MT] (introduced 4/2/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (6)

Related Bills: [H.R.1831](#)

Latest Major Action: 4/2/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

S.816 (Preservation of the Second Amendment in National Parks and National Wildlife Refuges Act)

Title: A bill to preserve the rights granted under second amendment to the Constitution in national parks and national wildlife refuge areas.

Sponsor: [Sen Crapo, Mike](#) [ID] (introduced 4/2/2009) [Co-sponsors](#) (14)

Latest Major Action: 4/2/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.1061 Uranium Enrichment Decontamination and Decommissioning Fund Reauthorization Act of 2009

Title: A bill to reauthorize the Uranium Enrichment Decontamination and Decommissioning Fund and to direct the Secretary of Energy to provide a plan for the re-enrichment of certain uranium tailings.

Sponsor: [Sen Brown, Sherrod](#) [OH] (introduced 5/18/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (None)

Related Bills: [H.R.2471](#)

Latest Major Action: 5/18/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.1078 America View Geospatial Imagery Mapping Program Act

Title: A bill to authorize a comprehensive national cooperative geospatial imagery mapping program through the United States Geological Survey, to promote use of the program for education, workforce training and development, and applied research, and to support Federal, State, tribal, and local government programs.

Sponsor: [Sen Johnson, Tim](#) [SD] (introduced 5/19/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (1)

Related Bills: [H.R.2489](#)

Latest Major Action: 5/19/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.1214 National Fish Habitat Conservation Act

Title: A bill to conserve fish and aquatic communities in the United States through partnerships that foster fish habitat conservation, to improve the quality of life for the people of the United States, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Lieberman, Joseph I.](#) [CT] (introduced 6/9/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (10)

Related Bills: [H.R.2565](#)

Latest Major Action: 6/9/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

AGF Commission Position: **Support**

S.1255 Flexibility in Rebuilding American Fisheries Act of 2009

Title: A bill to amend the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act to extend the authorized time period for rebuilding of certain overfished fisheries, and for other purposes.

Sponsor: [Sen Schumer, Charles E.](#) [NY] (introduced 6/11/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (None)

Related Bills: [H.R.1584](#)

Latest Major Action: 6/11/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.1348 Hunting Heritage Protection Act

Title: A bill to recognize the heritage of hunting and provide opportunities for continued hunting on Federal public land.

Sponsor: [Sen Chambliss, Saxby](#) [GA] (introduced 6/25/2009) [Cosponsors](#) (12)

Latest Major Action: 6/25/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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