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**111th Congress, 2nd Session**

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**FIRST SESSION CONVENED:** JANUARY 6, 2009
**ADJOURNED:** DECEMBER 24, 2009
**DAYS OF SESSION:** 191

**SECOND SESSION CONVENED:** JANUARY 5, 2010

**May's Congressional News**

Congress (specifically the Senate) has been battling over the financial services regulatory reform package (**S.3217**) for the past few weeks, and it appears as though they will continue to do so as they have been able to limit debate on a motion to proceed. The Senate chamber is taking the lead on this regulatory reform measure, with the House watching closely in anticipation for a plethora of amendments. It appears as though leadership would prefer to wrap-up this business before their Memorial Day break. The budget is also on the table for consideration, however with record-high deficits, and in the midst of an election year; members seem politically cautious about presentations of proposals for spending reductions. And similar to the state's recently adopted budget package, the same the same trend at the federal level for this coming fiscal year: enormous reductions in discretionary spending, tough decisions on reductions in social programs, and reductions in defense and homeland security spending.

Under energy and environment considerations/legislation, there has been some movement on policy bills, re-authorizations and reform ideas. Domestic off-shore drilling policy provisions have picked up momentum this session; and it appears as though Senator Joe Lieberman (Conn.) intends to include a provision in the climate/energy package that would increase domestic off-shore drilling. There are also provisions to increase revenue shares to states that allow more production along their coastline. The proposal to increase domestic oil drilling/supply is somewhat surprisingly given the recent safety concerns of the Mexican oil spill incident.

There have been a few interesting measures dropped over the past few weeks. Some of them will likely receive no traction during the remainder of the session, and others are just non-starters. **S.3230** is a measure dropped by Congressman Rush Holt (NJ-12) that would prohibit the use of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 (NEPA) to mitigate for or document federal actions related to climate change. The bill cites negative economic impacts of NEPA and its potential delay of proposed energy and transportation projects. Provisions include specific situations where compliance shall be expected/considered, and also specifies exemptions for those standards relating to climate/energy projects.

**S.3136** has also been recently dropped, which establishes a tax credit for taxpayers who contribute to habitat restoration and easement projects involving endangered and threatened species. **H.R.5101**, a complimentary House measure (not companion bill) intends to expand the stewardship of America's wildlife corridors. The bill proposes the establishment of a National Fish and Wildlife Habitat and

Corridors Information Program ("Habitat and Corridors Information System") that would provide a comprehensive GIS database (compiled from states and Indian tribes' data) for the purposes of planning and development and for mitigation efforts as a result of those actions. For implementation purposes, the legislation also includes a provision for the establishment of a fund to be administered by the Secretary of the Interior, and stipulates that Congressional appropriation is not necessary. There are also provisions related to grants and application/project selection criteria.

Also in Congress, by Arizona's lead, is speculation of a draft immigration reform package is currently circulating. The proposal went from a non-starter in 2010 to suddenly being at the forefront of attention, which was noted by the Senate Majority leader, who also said that the issue would surpass the climate/energy debates for importance on the Senate's slated business agenda. A draft proposal evidently includes a comprehensive border security plan as well as changes to various visa programs. Given the election year, and the controversy of the issue, it is highly unlikely (without greater support) that we would see a reform measure pushed through this Congress, and as of yet there haven't been any formal hearings or introduced bills. Senators John McCain and Jon Kyl did introduce a sweeping border security measure a few weeks ago, which is not the aforementioned comprehensive reform package currently being drafted/discussed.

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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.

## House Bills

### 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.

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### 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 (1)
**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:** 7/20/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 118.
**Senate Reports:** 111-53

## 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:** 9/24/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

## H.R.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:** 4/27/2010 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water and Power. 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:** 7/20/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 119.
**Senate Reports:** 111-54

## 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.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 (91)
**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**

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### 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.

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### 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.

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### 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 (28)
**Latest Major Action:** 7/21/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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### 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.

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### 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.

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### 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.

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### 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:** 10/21/2009 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 176.
House Reports: 111-310

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### H.R.1018 Restore Our American Mustangs Act

**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 (7)
**Related Bills:** H.RES.653, S.1579
**Latest Major Action:** 7/20/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
**House Reports:** 111-177
**AGF Commission Position: Oppose**

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### H.R.1054

**Title:** To amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow importation of polar bear trophies taken in sport hunts in Canada before the date the polar bear was determined to be a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973.
**Sponsor:** Rep Young, Don [AK] (introduced 2/12/2009) Cosponsors (30)
**Related Bills:** S.1395
**Latest Major Action:** 9/22/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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### 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.

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### 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.

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### 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 (8)
**Latest Major Action:** 3/18/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

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### 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 (21)
**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 (64)
**Latest Major Action:** 3/26/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
House Reports: 111-312 Part 1

## 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 (83)
**Related Bills:** S.816
**Latest Major Action:** 3/27/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

## 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 (236)
**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:** 7/29/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 26 - 16.

## 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 (17)
**Related Bills:** S.2811
**Latest Major Action:** 4/21/2010 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Environment and Public

Works. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
House Reports: 111-355

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### 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 (26)
**Latest Major Action:** 5/15/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Terrorism, Unconventional Threats and Capabilities.

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### 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:** 2/25/2010 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.
**AGF Commission Position: Support (W/Recommended Amended Language):**
**Commission Letter**

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### 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:** 12/21/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 248.
**House Reports**: 111-201; **Senate Reports:** 111-111

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### H.R.2213

**Title:** To reauthorize the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act.
**Sponsor:** Rep Kind, Ron [WI-3] (introduced 4/30/2009) Cosponsors (13)
**Related Bills:** S.690
**Latest Major Action:** 10/28/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 26 - 16

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### 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 (12)
**Related Bills:** S.1453
**Latest Major Action:** 12/16/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.

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### 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 (5)
**Latest Major Action:** 6/12/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

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### H.R.2453
**Title:** To provide for a national biological data center, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Rep Duncan, John J., Jr. [TN-2] (introduced 5/15/2009) Cosponsors (2)
**Latest Major Action:** 5/21/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.

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### H.R.2471
**Title:** Uranium Enrichment Decontamination and Decommissioning Fund Reauthorization Act of 2009
**Sponsor:** Rep Whitfield, Ed [KY-1] (introduced 5/18/2009) Cosponsors (None)
**Related Bills:** S.1061
**Latest Major Action:** 5/18/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on Ways and Means, 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.

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### H.R.2489 AmericaView Geospatial Imagery Mapping Program Act
**Title:** 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:** Rep Herseth Sandlin, Stephanie [SD] (introduced 5/19/2009) Cosponsors (2)
**Related Bills:** S.1078
**Latest Major Action:** 12/24/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.
House Reports: 111-309

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### 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 (3)
**Related Bills:** S.409
**Latest Major Action:** 6/1/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

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### 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 (3)
**Related Bills:** S.1214
**Latest Major Action:** 6/16/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.
**AGF Commission Position: Support**

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### 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:** 6/3/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.

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### 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 (8)

**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**

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### H.R.2811
**Title:** To amend title 18, United States Code, to include constrictor snakes of the species Python genera as an injurious animal.
**Sponsor**: Rep Meek, Kendrick B. [FL-17] (introduced 6/10/2009) Cosponsors (8)
**Related Bills:** S.373
**Latest Major Action**: 11/6/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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### 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:** 1/21/2010 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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### 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 (6)
**Related Bills:** S.1348
**Latest Major Action:** 6/30/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

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### 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 (5)
**Latest Major Action:** 6/25/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

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### H.R.3135
**Title:** To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide additional incentives for facilities producing electricity from wind.
**Sponsor**: Rep Walz, Timothy J. [MN-1] (introduced 7/8/2009) Cosponsors (9)
**Latest Major Action:** 7/8/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

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### H.R.3165 Wind Energy Research and Development Act of 2009
**Title:** To provide for a program of wind energy research, development, and demonstration, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Rep Tonko, Paul D. [NY-21] (introduced 7/9/2009) Cosponsors (14)
**Latest Major Action:** 12/8/2009 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee on Energy. Date of scheduled hearing. SD-366. 2:30 p.m.
House Reports: 111-248

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### H.R.3173 Asian Carp Prevention and Control Act
**Title**: To amend section 42 of title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the importation and shipment of certain species of carp.
**Sponsor**: Rep Biggert, Judy [IL-13] (introduced 7/10/2009) Cosponsors (33)
**Related Bills**: H.R.48, S.1421

**Latest Major Action**: 8/19/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

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### H.R.3198 Wildlife Without Borders Authorization Act

**Title**: To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to provide international wildlife management and conservation programs through the Wildlife Without Borders Program in the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Rep Young, Don [AK] (introduced 7/14/2009) Cosponsors (None)
**Latest Major Action**: 7/17/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

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### H.R.3201 Locatable Mineral Royalty and Reclamation Act of 2009 (OR)

***National Uranium Summit Act***

**Title:** To amend the General Mining Law to provide for a fair return to the public, security of tenure to holders of mining claims and mill sites, and cleanup of abandoned mine lands, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Rep Lamborn, Doug [CO-5] (introduced 7/14/2009) Cosponsors (3)
**Latest Major Action:** 7/17/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Energy and Mineral Resources.

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### H.R.3302 Community Forestry Conservation Act of 2009

**Title:** To provide a Federal tax exemption for forest conservation bonds, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Rep Thompson, Mike [CA-1] (introduced 7/22/2009) Cosponsors (2)
**Related Bills:** S.1501
**Latest Major Action:** 7/22/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

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### H.R.3381 Protect America's Wildlife Act of 2009

**Title:** To amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to establish additional prohibitions on shooting wildlife from aircraft, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Rep Miller, George [CA-7] (introduced 7/29/2009) Cosponsors (116)
**Related Bills:** S.1535
**Latest Major Action:** 8/2/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

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### H.R.3480 Bear Protection Act of 2009

**Title**: To conserve global bear populations by prohibiting the importation, exportation, and interstate trade of bear viscera and items, products, or substances containing, or labeled or advertised as containing, bear viscera, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor**: Rep Grijalva, Raul M. [AZ-7] (introduced 7/31/2009) Cosponsors (37)
**Latest Major Action**: 8/10/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

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### H.R.3481 Lower Colorado River Protection Act

**Title:** To provide for the protection of the quality of water in the Lower Colorado River and the development and implementation of a comprehensive plan for the prevention and elimination of pollution in the Lower Colorado River and the maintenance of a healthy Lower Colorado River ecosystem.
**Sponsor:** Rep Grijalva, Raul M. [AZ-7] (introduced 7/31/2009) Cosponsors (None)
**Latest Major Action:** 8/10/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.

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### H.R.3534 Consolidated Land, Energy, and Aquatic Resources Act of 2009

**Title:** To provide greater efficiencies, transparency, returns, and accountability in the administration of Federal mineral and

energy resources by consolidating administration of various Federal energy minerals management and leasing programs into one entity to be known as the Office of Federal Energy and Minerals Leasing of the Department of the Interior, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Rep Rahall, Nick J., II [WV-3] (introduced 9/8/2009) Cosponsors (None)
**Latest Major Action:** 9/17/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee Hearings Held.

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### H.R.3537 Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Reauthorization Act of 2009

**Title:** To amend and reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994.
**Sponsor:** Rep Ortiz, Solomon P. [TX-27] (introduced 9/8/2009) Cosponsors (1)
**Latest Major Action**: 4/26/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 357.
**House Reports:** 111-297; **Senate Reports:** 111-174

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### H.R.3622 Ponds and Water-Based Conservation Act of 2009

**Title:** To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to allow a credit for the construction of pond establishments for the purposes of non-commercial recreational fishing and conservation of water-based wildlife habitats.
**Sponsor:** Rep Bright, Bobby [AL-2] (introduced 9/22/2009) Cosponsors (None)
**Latest Major Action:** 9/22/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

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### H.R.3629 Healthy Borderlands Act of 2009

**Title:** To require the Secretary of Homeland Security to develop and implement a mitigation plan to address the ecological impacts of border security measures and activities, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Rep Rodriguez, Ciro D. [TX-23] (introduced 9/22/2009) Cosponsors (1)
**Latest Major Action:** 10/9/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Border, Maritime, and Global Counterterrorism.

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### H.R.3650 Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Amendments Act of 2009

Title: To establish a National Harmful Algal Bloom and Hypoxia Program, to develop and coordinate a comprehensive and integrated strategy to address harmful algal blooms and hypoxia, and to provide for the development and implementation of comprehensive regional action plans to reduce harmful algal blooms and hypoxia.
Sponsor: Rep Baird, Brian [WA-3] (introduced 9/25/2009) Cosponsors (19)
Related Bills: S.952
**Latest Major Action**: 3/15/2010 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 318.
**House Reports:** 111-396 Part 1

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### H.R.3692 National Forest Roadless Area Conservation Act

**Title:** To protect inventoried roadless areas in the National Forest System.
**Sponsor:** Rep Inslee, Jay [WA-1] (introduced 10/1/2009) Cosponsors (155)
**Latest Major Action:** 10/2/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

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### H.R.3749 Recreational Fishing and Hunting Heritage and Opportunities Act

**Title:** To recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public lands and ensure continued opportunities for these activities.
**Sponsor:** Rep Boren, Dan [OK-2] (introduced 10/7/2009) Cosponsors (47)
**Related Bills:** S.1770
**Latest Major Action**: 10/13/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

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## H.R.3781 Target Practice and Marksmanship Training Support Act

**Title:** To amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to facilitate the establishment of additional or expanded public target ranges in certain States.
**Sponsor:** Rep Markey, Betsy [CO-4] (introduced 10/8/2009) Cosponsors (3)
**Related Bills:** S.1702
**Latest Major Action:** 10/15/2009 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.
**AGF Commission Position: Support**

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## H.R.3805 Electronic Duck Stamp Extension Act of 2009

**Title:** To amend the Electronic Duck Stamp Act of 2005 to extend by 2 years the period for the conduct of the electronic duck stamp pilot program under that Act.
**Sponsor:** Rep Wittman, Robert J. [VA-1] (introduced 10/13/2009) Cosponsors (None)
**Latest Major Action:** 5/6/2010 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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## H.R.4291

**Title:** Public Lands Rehabilitation and Job Creation Act
**Sponsor:** Rep Sanchez, Linda T. [CA-39] (introduced 12/11/2009) Cosponsors (10)
**Latest Major Action:** 12/11/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Appropriations, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, 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.

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## H.R.4388

**Title:** To amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for the donation of wild game meat.
**Sponsor:** Rep Murphy, Scott [NY-20] (introduced 12/16/2009) Cosponsors (1)
**Related Bills:** S.2794
**Latest Major Action:** 12/16/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means

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## H.R.4398

**Title:** National Forest Insect and Disease Emergency Act of 2009
**Sponsor:** Rep Salazar, John T. [CO-3] (introduced 12/16/2009) Cosponsors (10)
**Related Bills:** S.2798
**Latest Major Action:** 1/6/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

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## H.R.4480

**Title:** National Youth Sports Program Revitalization Act of 2010
**Sponsor:** Rep Fudge, Marcia L. [OH-11] (introduced 1/20/2010) Cosponsors (6)
**Latest Major Action:** 2/23/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Healthy Families and Communities.

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## H.R.4488

**Title:** National Wildfire Infrastructure Improvement and Cost Containment Act
**Sponsor:** Rep Filner, Bob [CA-51] (introduced 1/21/2010) Cosponsors (3)
**Latest Major Action**: 2/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Military Personnel.

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## H.R.4497

**Title:** Wildlife and Zoological Veterinary Medicine Enhancement Act of 2010

**Sponsor**: Rep Hastings, Alcee L. [FL-23] (introduced 1/21/2010) Cosponsors (8)
**Latest Major Action**: 1/25/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

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## H.R.4589

**Title:** To provide consistent enforcement authority to the Bureau of Land Management, the National Park Service, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Forest Service to respond to violations of regulations regarding the management, use, and protection of public lands under the jurisdiction of these agencies, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Rep Salazar, John T. [CO-3] (introduced 2/3/2010) Cosponsors (None)
**Related Bills:** S.2999
**Latest Major Action:** 2/16/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

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## H.R.4717 Open EAJA Act of 2010

**Title:** To require the Attorney General of the United States to compile, and make publically available, certain data relating to the Equal Access to Justice Act, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Rep Lummis, Cynthia M. [WY] (introduced 3/2/2010) Cosponsors (4)
**Related Bills:** S.3122
**Latest Major Action:** 4/26/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Courts and Competition Policy.

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## H.R.4782 Invasive Species Emergency Response Fund Act

**Title:** To direct the Secretary of the Interior to provide loans to certain organizations in certain States to address habitats and ecosystems and to address and prevent invasive species.
**Sponsor:** Rep Young, Don [AK] (introduced 3/4/2010) Cosponsors (1)
**Related Bills:** **S.3063**
**Latest Major Action:** 3/8/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

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## H.R.4814

**Title**: To prohibit the further extension or establishment of national monuments in Arizona except by express authorization of Congress.
**Sponsor**: Rep Flake, Jeff [AZ-6] (introduced 3/10/2010) Cosponsors (2)
**Latest Major Action**: 3/16/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

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## H.R.4817

**Title**: To amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to clarify that uncertified States and Indian tribes have the authority to use certain payments for certain noncoal reclamation projects.
**Sponsor**: Rep Teague, Harry [NM-2] (introduced 3/10/2010) Cosponsors (2)
**Related Bills**: S.2830
**Latest Major Action**: 3/10/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

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## H.R.4823

**Title:** To establish the Sedona-Red Rock National Scenic Area in the Coconino National Forest, Arizona, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Rep Kirkpatrick, Ann [AZ-1] (introduced 3/11/2010) Cosponsors (None)
**Latest Major Action:** 3/16/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

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**H.R.4880**
**Title:** Copper Basin Jobs Act
**Sponsor:** Rep Kirkpatrick, Ann [AZ-1] (introduced 3/18/2010) Cosponsors (None)
**Latest Major Action:** 3/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

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**H.R.4973**
**Title:** National Wildlife Refuge Volunteer Improvement Act of 2010
**Sponsor:** Rep Kratovil, Frank, Jr. [MD-1] (introduced 3/25/2010) Cosponsors (None)
**Latest Major Action:** 5/6/2010 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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**H.R.5101 Wildlife Corridors Conservation Act of 2010**
**Title:** To expand the science and stewardship of America's most important wildlife corridors
**Sponsor:** Rep Holt, Rush D. [NJ-12] (introduced 4/21/2010) Cosponsors (3)
**Latest Major Action:** 4/21/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources, and in addition to the Committees on Transportation and Infrastructure, and Agriculture, 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.

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**H.R.5212**
**Title:** To amend Public Law 105-344 to authorize the Secretary of Agriculture to convey to the Blue Ridge Unified School District that portion of the Woodland Lake Park tract in the Apache-Sitgreaves National Forest in the State of Arizona containing the Big Springs Environmental Study Area.
**Sponsor:** Rep Kirkpatrick, Ann [AZ-1] (introduced 5/5/2010) Cosponsors (None)
**Latest Major Action:** 5/5/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

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## Senate Bills

**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.

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**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 (10)
**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.

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## 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.

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## 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)
**Related Bills:** H.R.2811
**Latest Major Action:** 5/5/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 365.
Senate Reports: 111-180

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## S.409 Southeast Arizona Land Exchange/Resolution Copper

**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)
**Related Bills:** H.R.2509/ H.R.4880
**Latest Major Action:** 3/2/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 279.
**Senate Reports:** 111-129
**AGF Commission Position: Support Substitute Amendment to S.409**

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## 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.

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## 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.

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## 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.

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## 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 (9)
**Related Bills:** H.R.411
**Latest Major Action:** 7/20/2009 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 117.
**Senate Reports:** 111-52

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## 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 (16)
**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**

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## 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 (6)
**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**

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## 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:** 3/22/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 327.
Senate Reports: 111-165

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## 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.

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## 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.

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## 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 (3)
**Latest Major Action:** 7/14/2009 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Hearings held.

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### 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 (28)
**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.

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### 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)
**Related Bills:** H.R.1684
**Latest Major Action:** 4/2/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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### S.952

**Title:** Harmful Algal Blooms and Hypoxia Research and Control Amendments Act of 2009
**Sponsor:** Sen Snowe, Olympia J. [ME] (introduced 5/1/2009) Cosponsors (14)
**Related Bills:** H.R.3650
**Latest Major Action:** 2/4/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 271.
Senate Reports: 111-125

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### 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.

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### 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:** 8/5/2009 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.

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### 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 (12)
**Related Bills:** H.R.2565

**Latest Major Action:** 12/10/2009 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Environment and Public Works. Ordered to be reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute favorably.
**AGF Commission Position: Support**

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## 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.

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## 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 (14)
**Related Bills:** H.R.3046
**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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## S.1395

**Title:** A bill to amend the Marine Mammal Protection Act of 1972 to allow importation of polar bear trophies taken in sport hunts in Canada before the date on which the polar bear was determined to be a threatened species under the Endangered Species Act of 1973.
**Sponsor:** Sen Crapo, Mike [ID] (introduced 7/6/2009) Cosponsors (None)
**Related Bills:** H.R.1054
**Latest Major Action:** 7/6/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

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## S.1421 Asian Carp Prevention and Control Act

**Title:** A bill to amend section 42 of title 18, United States Code, to prohibit the importation and shipment of certain species of carp.
**Sponsor:** Sen Levin, Carl [MI] (introduced 7/9/2009) Cosponsors (6)
**Related Bills:** H.R.48, H.R.3173
**Latest Major Action:** 5/5/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 366.
Senate Reports: 111-181

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## S.1453 Bureau of Reclamation Fish Recovery Programs Reauthorization Act of 2009

**Title:** A bill to amend Public Law 106-392 to maintain annual base funding for the Bureau of Reclamation for the Upper Colorado River and San Juan fish recovery programs through fiscal year 2023.
**Sponsor:** Sen Bingaman, Jeff [NM] (introduced 7/14/2009) Cosponsors (5)
**Related Bills:** H.R.2288
**Latest Major Action:** 3/2/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 292.
**Senate Reports:** 111-142

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## S.1501 Community Forestry Conservation Act of 2009

**Title:** A bill to provide a Federal tax exemption for forest conservation bonds, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Sen Murray, Patty [WA] (introduced 7/22/2009) Cosponsors (4)
**Related Bills:** H.R.3302
**Latest Major Action:** 7/22/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## S.1535 Protect America's Wildlife Act of 2009

**Title:** A bill to amend the Fish and Wildlife Act of 1956 to establish additional prohibitions on shooting wildlife from aircraft, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Sen Feinstein, Dianne [CA] (introduced 7/29/2009) Cosponsors (2)
**Related Bills:** H.R.3381
**Latest Major Action:** 7/29/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

## S.1579 Restore Our American Mustangs Act

**Title:** A bill 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:** Sen Byrd, Robert C. [WV] (introduced 8/5/2009) Cosponsors (None)
**Related Bills:** H.R.1018
**Latest Major Action:** 8/5/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.
**AGF Commission Position: Oppose**

## S.1702 Target Practice and Marksmanship Training Support Act

Title: A bill to amend the Pittman-Robertson Wildlife Restoration Act to facilitate the establishment of additional or expanded public target ranges in certain states.
Sponsor: Sen Udall, Mark [CO] (introduced 9/23/2009) Cosponsors (2)
Related Bills: H.R.3781
Latest Major Action: 9/23/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
**AGF Commission Position: Support**

## S.1738 Roadless Area Conservation Act of 2009

Title: A bill to provide lasting protection for inventoried roadless areas within the National Forest System.
Sponsor: Sen Cantwell, Maria [WA] (introduced 10/1/2009) Cosponsors (24)
Latest Major Action: 10/1/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

## S.1770 Recreational Fishing and Hunting Heritage and Opportunities Act

Title: A bill to recognize the heritage of recreational fishing, hunting, and shooting on Federal public lands and ensure continued opportunities for these activities.
Sponsor: Sen Murkowski, Lisa [AK] (introduced 10/8/2009) Cosponsors (2)
Related Bills: H.R.3749
Latest Major Action: 10/8/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

## S.2794

**Title:** A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 to provide tax incentives for the donation of wild game meat.
**Sponsor:** Sen Schumer, Charles E. [NY] (introduced 11/18/2009) Cosponsors (6)
**Related Bills**: H.R.4388
**Latest Major Action:** 11/18/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

## S.2798 National Forest Insect and Disease Emergency Act of 2009

**Title:** A bill to reduce the risk of catastrophic wildfire through the facilitation of insect and disease infestation treatment of

National Forest System and adjacent land, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Sen Udall, Mark [CO] (introduced 11/18/2009) Cosponsors (2)
**Related Bills:** H.R.4398
**Latest Major Action:** 4/21/2010 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Senate Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests. Hearings held.

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### S.2811 Migratory Bird Treaty Act Penalty and Enforcement Act of 2009

**Title:** A bill to amend the Migratory Bird Treaty Act to provide for penalties and enforcement for intentionally taking protected avian species, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Sen Merkley, Jeff [OR] (introduced 11/20/2009) Cosponsors (None)
**Related Bills:** H.R.2062
**Latest Major Action:** 11/20/2009 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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### S.2830

**Title**: A bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to clarify that uncertified States and Indian tribes have the authority to use certain payments for certain noncoal reclamation projects.
**Sponsor**: Sen Bingaman, Jeff [NM] (introduced 12/3/2009) Cosponsors (5)
**Related Bills**: H.R.4817
**Latest Major Action**: 4/21/2010 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Senate Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests. Hearings held.

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### S.2999

**Title:** A bill to provide consistent enforcement authority to the Bureau of Land Management, the National Park Service, the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, and the Forest Service to respond to violations of regulations regarding the management, use, and protection of public lands under the jurisdiction of these agencies, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Sen Udall, Mark [CO] (introduced 2/4/2010) Cosponsors (None)
**Related Bills:** H.R.4589
**Latest Major Action:** 2/4/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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### S.3063 Invasive Species Emergency Response Fund Act

**Title:** A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to provide loans to certain organizations in certain States to address habitats and ecosystems and to address and prevent invasive species.
**Sponsor:** Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 3/3/2010) Cosponsors (7)
**Related Bills:** H.R.4782
**Latest Major Action:** 3/3/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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### S.3122 Open EAJA Act of 2010

**Title:** A bill to require the Attorney General of the United States to compile, and make publicly available, certain data relating to the Equal Access to Justice Act, and for other purposes.
**Sponsor:** Sen Ensign, John [NV] (introduced 3/16/2010) Cosponsors (9)
**Related Bills:** H.R.4717
**Latest Major Action:** 3/16/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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### S.3146 Endangered Species Recovery Act of 2010

**Title:** A bill to amend the Internal Revenue Code to provide a tax credit to individuals who enter into agreements to protect

the habitats of endangered and threatened species, and for other purposes
**Sponsor:** Sen Crapo, Mike [ID] (introduced 3/22/2010) Cosponsors (10)
**Latest Major Action:** 3/22/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

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**S.3230 NEPA Certainty Act**
**Title:** A bill to prohibit the use of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969 to document, predict or mitigate the climate effects of specific Federal actions.
**Sponsor:** Sen Inhofe, James M. [OK] (introduced 4/20/2010) Cosponsors (6)
**Latest Major Action:** 4/20/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

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**S.3252**
**Title:** A bill to amend the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act of 1977 to limit the liability of a State performing reclamation work under an approved State abandoned mine reclamation plan.
**Sponsor:** Sen Tester, Jon [MT] (introduced 4/22/2010) Cosponsors (None)
**Latest Major Action:** 4/22/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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