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FIRST SESSION CONVENED: JANUARY 6, 2009
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DAYS OF SESSION: 191

SECOND SESSION CONVENED: JANUARY 5, 2010

September/October Congressional News (October 1, 2010)

Congress has recessed in preparation for the upcoming mid-term elections. Per H. Con. Res. 321 - The House of Representatives stands adjourned until November 15th and the Senate until the 12th. Other than attempting to send-up a few "non-controversial" measures, and holding some pro forma hearings and floor sessions, not a great deal of action has occurred. With the new fiscal year having begun October 1st, Congress was able to squeak out a continuing resolution that provides for interim appropriations at last year's spending levels to keep government programs afloat until the 12 appropriations measures are authorized (or an omnibus approps. bill). Tax and spend decisions will be addressed by a "lame duck" congress when they return after the elections in November.

Recently, Senate Energy and Natural Resource Chair, Jeff Bingaman (NM) introduced a bi-partisan renewable energy measure that would require a 3% renewable-derivative resource for electric providers. Sponsors of the measure are pushing to have this bill considered prior to *sine die* of the 111th Congress. Also, the Department of Energy announced $5M in federal funding for the development of wind energy projects, particularly since efforts for a comprehensive package have stalled. The Governors' Wind Energy Coalition (comprised of 25 bi-partisan members) has responded to the "token" $5M with a letter to Congressional leaders about the need to establish a Renewable Electricity Standard (RES) before Congress adjourns.

On September 29th, a public lands joint-subcommittee hearing was held, which included the Department's Mohave land conveyance bill, S.3565, for the purpose of developing a tri-state shooting facility. The hearing record has yet to be reported. Senator John McCain (AZ) made a brief appearance and spoke favorably of the bill which he co-sponsors with Senator Jon Kyl (AZ). The bill includes modified provisions that were agreed to by the Arizona Game and Fish Commission, such as modified NEPA and NHP provisions. This project has been thwarted by opponents for the past several years despite efforts to involve them in the process, and to mitigate for their concerns. Proponents of this measure feel that they have fulfilled prescribed lawful and ethical duties, and that it is time to move forward in a cooperative manner.

Congressman Raul Grijalva's (AZ CD-7) measure, HR 1612, (*"Public Lands Service*
8 *Corps Act of 2010")* has had some momentum in the Senate. It passed in the House, and was recently amended, and reported favorably during mark-up in the Senate's Committee on Energy and Natural

Resources. The measure promotes youth experiences in conservation, cultural and natural resources in preparedness for public service.

HR 6284 is a measure that would prevent certain EPA regulations of lead-based fishing tackle and ammunition. The GPO has yet to prepare the official draft legislation.

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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.

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)
Related Bills: H.R.3173, S.1421
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: **H.R.5552**, **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 (28)
Latest Major Action: 7/21/2009 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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

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

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.

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.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.

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)
Related Bills: S.1255
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)
Related Bills: H.RES.1192, S.1442
Latest Major Action: 9/27/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 609.
House Reports: 111-312 Part 1; Senate Reports: 111-323

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

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.

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)
Related Bills: S.3565
Latest Major Action: 2/25/2010 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.
AGF Commission Position: Support (W/Recommended Amended Language):
Commission Letter

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

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

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 H.R.4880
Latest Major Action: 5/19/2010 Received in the Senate. Read twice. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 399.
House Reports: 111-481

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.

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.

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.

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

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.

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

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.

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: 6/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation, Credit, Energy, and Research.
AGF Commission Position: Support

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.

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.

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.

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)
Related Bills: S.3640
Latest Major Action: 6/25/2009 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Ways and Means.

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.

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

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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: 8/4/2010 Read the second time. Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 510.
House Reports: 111-575 Part 1, 111-575 Part 2

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

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.

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.

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

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: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.

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: 6/15/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.

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

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.

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.

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: 6/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.

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.

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: 3/29/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.

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: 6/30/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Livestock, Dairy, and Poultry.

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: 6/22/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Department Operations, Oversight, Nutrition and Forestry.

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.

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.

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.

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: 9/23/2010 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

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: 9/23/2010 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): 258 - 160 (Roll no. 538).
House Reports: 111-599

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.

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: 7/14/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.
House Reports: 111-531

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: 6/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Horticulture and Organic Agriculture.

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: 5/7/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

H.R.5284 Sikes Act Amendments Act of 2010

Title: Sikes Act Amendments Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Bordallo, Madeleine Z. [GU] (introduced 5/12/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Latest Major Action: 6/18/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Readiness.

H.R.5310 Brownfields Reauthorization Act of 2010

Title: Brownfields Reauthorization Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Pallone, Frank, Jr. [NJ-6] (introduced 5/13/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Latest Major Action: 5/14/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.

H.R.5337 Animal Torture Prevention Act of 2010

Title: Animal Torture Prevention Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Peters, Gary C. [MI-9] (introduced 5/18/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Related Bills: H.R.5092 , H.R.5566, S.3841
Latest Major Action: 7/26/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Crime, Terrorism, and Homeland Security.

H.R.5339 Disposal of Excess Federal Lands Act of 2010

Title: Disposal of Excess Federal Lands Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Chaffetz, Jason [UT-3] (introduced 5/19/2010) Cosponsors (24)
Latest Major Action: 5/21/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

H.R.5342
Title: 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: Rep Bishop, Rob [UT-1] (introduced 5/19/2010) Cosponsors (5)
Related Bills: S.3230
Latest Major Action: 5/19/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.5379 Polar Bear Delisting Act
Title: Polar Bear Delisting Act
Sponsor: Rep Young, Don [AK] (introduced 5/25/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Latest Major Action: 5/25/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.5482 Corolla Wild Horses Protection Act
Title: Corolla Wild Horses Protection Act
Sponsor: Rep Jones, Walter B., Jr. [NC-3] (introduced 6/8/2010) Cosponsors (3)
Related Bills: H.R.4867
Latest Major Action: 7/27/2010 House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Subcommittee Hearings Held.

H.R.5531 Species Rescue Act
Title: Species Rescue Act
Sponsor: Rep Herger, Wally [CA-2] (introduced 6/15/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Latest Major Action: 6/15/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.5552 Firearms Excise Tax Improvement Act of 2010
Title: Firearms Excise Tax Improvement Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Kind, Ron [WI-3] (introduced 6/17/2010) Cosponsors (87)
Related Bills: H.R.510, S.632
Latest Major Action: **Became Public Law** No: 111-237 [GPO: Text, PDF]

H.R.5566 Prevention of Interstate Commerce in Animal Crush Videos Act of 2010
Title: Prevention of Interstate Commerce in Animal Crush Videos Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Gallegly, Elton [CA-24] (introduced 6/22/2010) Cosponsors (262)
Related Bills: H.R.5092, H.R.5337, S.3841
Latest Major Action: 9/28/2010 Passed/agreed to in Senate. Status: Passed Senate with an amendment by Unanimous Consent.
House Reports: 111-549

H.R.5735 Clean Energy, Community Investment, and Wildlife Conservation Act
Title: Clean Energy, Community Investment, and Wildlife Conservation Act
Sponsor: Rep Heller, Dean [NV-2] (introduced 7/14/2010) Cosponsors (2)
Related Bills: S.3587
Latest Major Action: 7/16/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

H.R.5804 Billfish Conservation Act of 2010
Title: Billfish Conservation Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Shadegg, John B. [AZ-3] (introduced 7/21/2010) Cosponsors (4)
Related Bills: S.3812
Latest Major Action: 7/23/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

H.R.5892 Water Resources Development Act of 2010 (Section 2002 – Fish and Wildlife Mitigation)
Title: Water Resources Development Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Oberstar, James L. [MN-8] (introduced 7/28/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Placed on the Union Calendar, Calendar No. 391.
House Reports: 111-654

H.R.5964 Endangered Species Compliance and Transparency Act of 2010
Title: Endangered Species Compliance and Transparency Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep McMorris Rodgers, Cathy [WA-5] (introduced 7/29/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Latest Major Action: 7/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.6028
Title: To amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to prohibit treatment of the Gray wolf as an endangered species or threatened species.
Sponsor: Rep Edwards, Chet [TX-17] (introduced 7/30/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Latest Major Action: 7/30/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

H.R.6075 Ensuring Fairness for Fishermen Act
Title: Ensuring Fairness for Fishermen Act
Sponsor: Rep Tierney, John F. [MA-6] (introduced 7/30/2010) Cosponsors (5)
Latest Major Action: 8/6/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Insular Affairs, Oceans and Wildlife.

H.R.6155 Tumacacori Highlands Wilderness Act
Title: Tumacacori Highlands Wilderness Act
Sponsor: Rep Grijalva, Raul M. [AZ-7] (introduced 9/16/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Latest Major Action: 9/20/2010 Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.

H.R.6194 National Environmental Education Reauthorization Act of 2010
Title: National Environmental Education Reauthorization Act of 2010
Sponsor: Rep Polis, Jared [CO-2] (introduced 9/23/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Latest Major Action: 9/23/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Education and Labor.

H.R.6276
Title: To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to identify and declare wildlife disease emergencies and to coordinate rapid response to these emergencies, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Rep Shea-Porter, Carol [NH-1] (introduced 9/29/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Natural Resources,

and in addition to the Committee on 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.

H.R.6284
Title: To prohibit the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency from regulating, based on material composition, any type of firearm ammunition or fishing tackle.
Sponsor: Rep Broun, Paul C. [GA-10] (introduced 9/29/2010) Cosponsors (36)
Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the House Committee on Energy and Commerce.

H.R.6293
Title: To assist States and local governments develop and implement emergency notification systems suitable for use on public recreational lands, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Rep Richardson, Laura [CA-37] (introduced 9/29/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Referred to House committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Homeland Security, 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.

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.

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.

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)
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

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

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 (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

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

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

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

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.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.

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.

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.

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

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: 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.

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: 5/17/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 378.
Senate Reports: 111-190
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 (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.

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.

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

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

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: 9/27/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 599.
Senate Reports: 111-313

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.

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: 8/5/2010 Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 534.
Senate Reports: 111-264

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

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.

S.3565 Mohave Valley Land Conveyance Act of 2010
Title: A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain Bureau of Land Management land in Mohave County, Arizona, to the Arizona Game and Fish Commission, for use as a public shooting range.
Sponsor: Sen McCain, John [AZ] (introduced 7/12/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Latest Major Action: 9/29/2010 Senate committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Public Lands and Forests. Hearings held.
AGF Commission Position: Support

S.3587 Clean Energy, Community Investment, and Wildlife Conservation Act
Title: Clean Energy, Community Investment, and Wildlife Conservation Act
Sponsor: Sen Reid, Harry [NV] (introduced 7/14/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Related Bills: H.R.5735
Latest Major Action: 7/14/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

S.3594 Fishery Conservation Transition Act
Title: Fishery Conservation Transition Act
Sponsor: Sen Nelson, Bill [FL] (introduced 7/15/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Latest Major Action: 7/15/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.3640 American Family Farm and Ranchland Protection Act of 2010
Title: American Family Farm and Ranchland Protection Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Udall, Mark [CO] (introduced 7/22/2010) Cosponsors (6)
Related Bills: H.R.3050
Latest Major Action: 7/22/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance.

S.3812
Title: Billfish Conservation Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Vitter, David [LA] (introduced 9/21/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Related Bills: H.R.5804
Latest Major Action: 9/21/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

S.3825 State Wolf Management Act
Title: State Wolf Management Act
Sponsor: Sen Risch, James E. [ID] (introduced 9/22/2010) Cosponsors (1)
Latest Major Action: 9/22/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.3833 National Environmental Education Reauthorization Act of 2010
Title: National Environmental Education Reauthorization Act of 2010

Sponsor: Sen Gillibrand, Kirsten E. [NY] (introduced 9/23/2010) Cosponsors (None)
Latest Major Action: 9/23/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

S.3841 Animal Crush Video Prohibition Act of 2010
Title: Animal Crush Video Prohibition Act of 2010
Sponsor: Sen Kyl, Jon [AZ] (introduced 9/27/2010) Cosponsors (7)
Related Bills: H.R.5092, H.R.5337, H.R.5566
Latest Major Action: 9/27/2010 Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on the Judiciary.

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