

Amendment No. 165

Senate Amendment to Senate Joint Resolution No. 7 (BDR R-983)

Proposed by: Senate Committee on Natural Resources

Amends: Summary: No Title: No Preamble: Amend Joint Sponsorship: No Digest: No

ASSEMBLY ACTION		Initial and Date	SENATE ACTION		Initial and Date
Adopted	<input type="checkbox"/>	Lost	<input type="checkbox"/>	Adopted	<input type="checkbox"/>
Concurred In	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not	<input type="checkbox"/>	Concurred In	<input type="checkbox"/>
Receded	<input type="checkbox"/>	Not	<input type="checkbox"/>	Receded	<input type="checkbox"/>

EXPLANATION: Matter in (1) *blue bold italics* is new language in the original bill; (2) *green bold italic underlining* is new language proposed in this amendment; (3) ~~red strikethrough~~ is deleted language in the original bill; (4) ~~purple double strikethrough~~ is language proposed to be deleted in this amendment; (5) orange double underlining is deleted language in the original bill that is proposed to be retained in this amendment; and (6) *green bold dashed underlining* is newly added transitory language.

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Date: 4/5/2009

S.J.R. No. 7—Expresses opposition to congressional enactment of the National Landscape Conservation System. (BDR R-983)



SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 7—SENATOR RHOADS

MARCH 16, 2009

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Expresses opposition to congressional enactment of the National Landscape Conservation System. (BDR R-983)

FISCAL NOTE: Effect on Local Government: No.
Effect on the State: No.

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EXPLANATION – Matter in *bolded italics* is new; matter between brackets ~~omitted material~~ is material to be omitted.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION—Expressing opposition to congressional enactment of the National Landscape Conservation System.

1 WHEREAS, ~~[Congressional leaders have indicated that during the 111th~~
2 ~~Congress, they plan to consider the]~~ **The** Omnibus Public Land Management Act of
3 2009, which contains over 150 public lands bills, ~~[many of which have not been~~
4 ~~fully heard by the various committees of jurisdiction or]~~ **has recently** been
5 approved by both Houses of Congress ~~[+]~~ and **signed by the President of the**
6 **United States; and**

7 WHEREAS, The National Landscape Conservation System (NLCS) is part of the
8 Omnibus package and was created through administrative action, not congressional
9 enactment, and the administrative reach of NLCS extends to more than 27 million
10 acres of federal lands administered by the Bureau of Land Management, the vast
11 majority of which are located in 12 western states, including Nevada, and include
12 15 national monuments, 13 national conservation areas, 177 wilderness areas, 608
13 wilderness study areas, 2,052 miles of wild and scenic rivers and over 5,350 miles
14 of national scenic and historic trails; and

15 WHEREAS, NLCS imposes a whole new management protocol for managing
16 these lands based on the vague and nebulous concept of “values,” and the
17 management scheme for these lands will now become even more subjective by
18 injecting into management plans undefined terms such as “viewsheds,”
19 “soundscapes” and even “smellscapes”; and

20 WHEREAS, Multiple-use management of these public lands will be
21 compromised by this new management priority, thus jeopardizing current and vital
22 land uses such as recreation, grazing and mining, to name a few, all of which are
23 industries vital to Nevada’s economic viability; and

24 WHEREAS, This vague and undefined management tool is currently available to
25 be employed to shut down millions of public land acres and invalidate legal and
26 legitimate oil and gas leases to exploration and subsequent production at a time
27 when domestic energy development is vital, even critical, to our national security
28 interests; now, therefore, be it

29 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, JOINTLY,
30 That the members of the 75th Session of the Nevada Legislature join the Nevada

1 Association of Counties in expressing their strong opposition to any congressional
2 action that ~~would~~ unnecessarily ~~lock~~ **locks** up and ~~reduce~~ **reduces** public
3 access to federal lands, and further express their opposition to ~~codifying through~~
4 ~~congressional action~~ the **codification, by congressional enactment of the**
5 **Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009, of the** National Landscape
6 Conservation System as creating an undefined and vague management scheme for
7 the public lands that does not provide clarity or reasoned purpose or advance the
8 national interest of energy independence and protect multiple-use, sustained-yield
9 management of the public lands; and be it further

10 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and transmit a copy of this
11 resolution to the **President of the United States, the** Vice President of the United
12 States as the presiding officer of the United States Senate, the Speaker of the House
13 of Representatives, **the Director of the Bureau of Land Management** and each
14 member of the Nevada Congressional Delegation; and be it further

15 RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon passage.