

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—
COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS)

PREFILED DECEMBER 31, 2008

Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

SUMMARY—Expresses disapproval of certain civil actions brought and maintained against the livestock industry and the Bureau of Land Management in Nevada. (BDR R-496)

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

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1 WHEREAS, The Bureau of Land Management and various local
2 ranchers in Nevada have been working cooperatively for several
3 years concerning the issuance and renewal of grazing permits for
4 grazing allotments in Nevada; and

5 WHEREAS, As part of that cooperative effort, on the Hubbard
6 Vineyard Allotment located near Elko, Nevada, the Bureau of Land
7 Management and local ranchers have attempted to improve range
8 conditions by reducing or revising the amount of grazing that occurs
9 each year on the grazing allotment and otherwise exercising
10 exceptional stewardship practices and cooperation between the
11 Bureau of Land Management and the local ranchers concerning the
12 grazing allotment; and

13 WHEREAS, Despite that spirit of cooperation and mutual
14 approach to solving problems, civil actions have been filed and
15 maintained concerning final multiple use decisions made by the
16 Bureau of Land Management for the grazing allotment; and

17 WHEREAS, Although it is important to ensure that all applicable
18 laws and regulations are complied with concerning the management
19 of public grazing lands in Nevada, it is also important to encourage



1 a spirit of cooperation and mutual approach to solving problems for
2 all persons involved in the livestock industry in Nevada; now,
3 therefore, be it

4 RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE STATE OF NEVADA, THE
5 ASSEMBLY CONCURRING, That the Nevada Legislature hereby
6 expresses its disapproval of the civil actions brought and maintained
7 against the livestock industry and the Bureau of Land Management
8 in Nevada concerning final multiple use decisions made by the
9 Bureau of Land Management for grazing allotments in Nevada for
10 which significant cooperative efforts and grazing improvements
11 have been made; and be it further

12 RESOLVED, That the Attorney General of the State of Nevada is
13 hereby urged to take all available legal action in those civil actions
14 to protect the interests of the State of Nevada in its rural
15 communities and agricultural economy; and be it further

16 RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and
17 transmit a copy of this resolution to the Governor of the State of
18 Nevada, the Attorney General of the State of Nevada, the Director
19 of the Bureau of Land Management, the Chief of the United States
20 Forest Service, the President of the National Cattlemen's Beef
21 Association, the President of the Nevada Cattlemen's Association,
22 the Executive Director of the Public Lands Council and each
23 member of the Nevada Congressional Delegation.

