

SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3—
COMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES

(ON BEHALF OF THE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE ON PUBLIC LANDS)

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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, The Bureau of Land Management and those local
6 ranchers have attempted through cooperative effort to improve
7 range conditions by reducing or revising the amount of grazing that
8 occurs each year on grazing allotments in Nevada and otherwise
9 exercising exceptional stewardship practices and cooperation
10 between the Bureau of Land Management and the local ranchers
11 concerning those grazing allotments; and

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

16 WHEREAS, Although it is important to ensure that all applicable
17 laws and regulations are complied with concerning the management
18 of public grazing lands in Nevada, it is also important to encourage
19 a spirit of cooperation and mutual approach to solving problems for



1 all persons involved in the livestock industry in Nevada; now,
2 therefore, be it

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

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

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

