

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 1—SENATOR MANENDO

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Referred to Committee on Natural Resources

**SUMMARY**—Expresses support for wild horses and burros in Nevada. (BDR R-115)

**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.

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1        WHEREAS, Wild horses and burros are an integral part of the  
2 ecosystem and rangelands of the United States and the State of  
3 Nevada; and

4        WHEREAS, Wild horses and burros helped to build this nation  
5 and are living symbols of freedom and our American Western  
6 heritage, as represented by the depiction of wild horses on the  
7 Nevada State quarter; and

8        WHEREAS, Wild horses and burros are natural resources and  
9 cultural assets, and have the potential to promote tourism and job  
10 creation in this State; and

11      WHEREAS, Building eco-sanctuaries that enable the public to  
12 view and photograph wild horses and burros may provide a much  
13 needed boost to the Nevada economy; and

14      WHEREAS, The Bureau of Land Management is required to  
15 maintain a thriving natural ecological balance and multiple use  
16 relationship on public lands in the State of Nevada; and

17      WHEREAS, Limiting the numbers of wild horses and burros on  
18 public and private lands may jeopardize their genetic diversity,  
19 health and long-term survival in the State of Nevada; and

20      WHEREAS, Healthy rangelands and healthy wild horses and  
21 burros depend on the understanding, cooperation and fairness of all  
22 interested parties; now, therefore, be it



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1       RESOLVED BY THE SENATE AND ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF  
2 NEVADA, JOINTLY, That the Nevada Legislature:

3       1. Supports the preservation and protection of our iconic wild  
4 horses and burros on public and private lands in the State of Nevada  
5 as living symbols of freedom, the pioneer spirit of the West and  
6 America's heritage, as well as valuable natural resources and  
7 cultural assets;

8       2. Supports the development of wild horse and burro related  
9 ecotourism in the State of Nevada;

10      3. Encourages the State Department of Agriculture to enter into  
11 cooperative agreements with local wild horse and burro advocacy  
12 groups pursuant to NRS 569.031 concerning wild horses and burros  
13 living on private lands that are under the jurisdiction of the State  
14 Department of Agriculture; and

15      4. Encourages a spirit of cooperation, collaboration and  
16 fairness among wild horse and burro advocacy groups, private land  
17 owners, the State Department of Agriculture, the Bureau of Land  
18 Management and the United States Forest Service; and be it further

19       RESOLVED, That the Secretary of the Senate prepare and  
20 transmit a copy of this resolution to the Vice President of the  
21 United States as the presiding officer of the United States Senate,  
22 the Speaker of the House of Representatives, each member of the  
23 Nevada Congressional Delegation, the Secretary of the Interior, the  
24 Secretary of Agriculture, the Director of the Bureau of Land  
25 Management, the Chief of the United States Forest Service and the  
26 Director of the State Department of Agriculture; and be it further

27       RESOLVED, That this resolution becomes effective upon  
28 passage.

