

## HCONRES 382

Affirming that the intent of Congress in passing the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997 was to allow hunting and fishing on public lands within the National Wildlife Refuge System and declaring that the purpose of reserving certain lands as public lands is to make them available to the public for reasonable uses.

**Congress:** 108 (2003–2005, Ended)

**Chamber:** House

**Policy Area:** Public Lands and Natural Resources

**Introduced:** Mar 11, 2004

**Current Status:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans.

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans. (Mar 12, 2004)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/108th-congress/house-concurrent-resolution/382>

### Sponsor

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**Party:** Republican • **State:** LA • **Chamber:** Senate

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Mar 12, 2004

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Public Lands and Natural Resources

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

### Summary (as of Mar 11, 2004)

Expresses that: (1) in passing the National Wildlife Refuge System Improvement Act of 1997, Congress demonstrated its clear intent to allow hunting and fishing on public lands within the National Wildlife Refuge System (the System); (2) the intent of Congress has not changed in any way since such Act was enacted, and any assumptions to the contrary are misguided and misinterpret the clear intent of Congress; and (3) the general purpose of reserving certain lands as public lands, including lands within the System, is to make them available to the public for reasonable uses, which include hunting, fishing, other wildlife-dependent sports, and other outdoor purposes.

## Actions Timeline

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- **Mar 12, 2004:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Fisheries Conservation, Wildlife and Oceans.
- **Mar 11, 2004:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 11, 2004:** Introduced in House
- **Mar 11, 2004:** Referred to the House Committee on Resources.