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Salt Cedar and Russian Olive Control Demonstration Act

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Sponsor

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Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Allard, Wayne [R-CO]	R · CO		Jan 26, 2005
Sen. Baucus, Max [D-MT]	D · MT		Jan 26, 2005
Sen. Bingaman, Jeff [D-NM]	D · NM		Jan 26, 2005
Sen. Ensign, John [R-NV]	R · NV		Jan 26, 2005
Sen. Bennett, Robert F. [R-UT]	R · UT		Feb 8, 2005
Sen. Salazar, Ken [D-CO]	D · CO		Feb 17, 2005

Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Reported By	Mar 7, 2005

Subjects & Policy Tags

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Public Lands and Natural Resources

Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
109 HR 2720	Related bill	Oct 11, 2006: Became Public Law No: 109-320.

(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The summary has been expanded because action occurred on the measure.)

Salt Cedar and Russian Olive Control Demonstration Act - Directs the Secretary of the Interior (the Secretary), acting through the Commissioner of Reclamation and in cooperation with the Secretary of Agriculture and the Secretary of Defense, to carry out a salt cedar (*Tamarix* spp) and Russian olive (*Elaeagnus angustifolia*) assessment and demonstration program to: (1) assess the extent of the infestation by salt cedar and Russian olive trees in the western United States; (2) demonstrate strategic solutions for the long-term management of such trees and the reestablishment of native vegetation; and (3) assess economic means to dispose of biomass created as a result of removal of those trees.

Requires the Secretary to: (1) complete an assessment of the extent of the infestation on public and private land; (2) identify and document long-term management and funding strategies that could be implemented by Federal, State, and private land managers in addressing the infestation and that should be tested as components of specified demonstration projects; and (3) establish a program that selects and funds at least five projects proposed by and implemented in collaboration with Federal agencies, State and local governments, national laboratories, Indian tribes, institutions of higher education, individuals, organizations, or soil and water conservation districts to demonstrate and evaluate the most effective methods of controlling salt cedar and Russian olive trees.

Directs the Secretary, in cooperation with the Secretary of Agriculture, to complete an analysis of economic means to use or dispose of biomass created as a result of removal of salt cedar and Russian olive trees.

Sets forth requirements regarding cost limitations and cost-sharing. Requires the Secretary to: (1) subject to independent review the assessment, identification and documentation of long-term management strategies, demonstration projects, and analysis; and (2) report annually to Congress. Authorizes appropriations for FY 2006 and beyond.

Actions Timeline

- **Mar 7, 2005:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Domenici without amendment. With written report No. 109-15.
- **Mar 7, 2005:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Domenici without amendment. With written report No. 109-15.
- **Mar 7, 2005:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 26.
- **Feb 9, 2005:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Jan 26, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 26, 2005:** Sponsor introductory remarks on measure. (CR S588)
- **Jan 26, 2005:** Referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. (text of measure as introduced: CR S588-589)