

## S 232

A bill to authorize the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Bureau of Reclamation, to assist in the implementation of fish passage and screening facilities at non-Federal water projects, and for other purposes.

**Congress:** 109 (2005–2007, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Water Resources Development

**Introduced:** Feb 1, 2005

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

**Latest Action:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Fisheries and Oceans. (Aug 2, 2005)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/109th-congress/senate-bill/232>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Smith, Gordon H. [R-OR]

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

### Cosponsors

*No cosponsors are listed for this bill.*

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Energy and Natural Resources Committee	Senate	Reported By	Mar 10, 2005
Natural Resources Committee	House	Referred to	Aug 2, 2005
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### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Water Resources Development

### Related Bills

*No related bills are listed.*

**(This measure has not been amended since it was introduced. The expanded summary of the Senate reported version is repeated here.)**

Authorizes the Secretary of the Interior, acting through the Commissioner of the Bureau of Reclamation, directly or through financial assistance to non-federal parties, to plan, design, and construct fish passage and screening facilities or habitat improvements at any non-federal water diversion or storage project located anywhere in the Columbia River Basin. Provides such authority when the Secretary determines that such facilities would enable the Bureau to meet its obligations for the construction, operation, and maintenance of federal reclamation projects in the Columbia River Basin, excluding the projects located in the Snake River Basin. Limits the federal share to 75% of project costs.

Authorizes the Secretary to assist a non-federal party who owns, operates, or maintains a non-federal water diversion or storage project and associated lands to obtain and comply with any required state, local, or tribal permits. Makes the Secretary subject to all federal laws applicable to activities associated with the construction of a fish passage and screening facility or habitat improvements. Directs the Secretary to: (1) comply with any applicable state water laws; and (2) coordinate with the Northwest Power and Conservation Council, appropriate agencies of the states of Idaho, Oregon, and Washington, and appropriate federally recognized Indian tribes in carrying out the program authorized by this Act.

Makes the Reclamation Act of 1902 and other federal reclamation laws inapplicable to the non-federal water projects at which the fish passage and screening facilities authorized by this Act are located and the lands such projects irrigate. Declares that expenditures made by the Secretary under this Act shall not be a project cost assignable to any federal reclamation project and shall be non-reimbursable and non-returnable to the Treasury.

### **Actions Timeline**

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- **Aug 2, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Water and Power.
- **Aug 2, 2005:** Referred to the Subcommittee on Fisheries and Oceans.
- **Jul 27, 2005:** Received in the House.
- **Jul 27, 2005:** Message on Senate action sent to the House.
- **Jul 27, 2005:** Referred to the House Committee on Resources.
- **Jul 26, 2005:** Passed/agreed to in Senate: Passed Senate without amendment by Unanimous Consent.(consideration: CR S9018-9052; text as passed Senate: CR S9033-9034)
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- **Mar 10, 2005:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Reported by Senator Domenici without amendment. With written report No. 109-31.
- **Mar 10, 2005:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 44.
- **Feb 9, 2005:** Committee on Energy and Natural Resources. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Feb 1, 2005:** Introduced in Senate
- **Feb 1, 2005:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.

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