

## S 268

### WILD Act

**Congress:** 116 (2019–2021, Ended)

**Chamber:** Senate

**Policy Area:** Animals

**Introduced:** Jan 29, 2019

**Current Status:** By Senator Barrasso from Committee on Environment and Public Works filed written report. Report No.

**Latest Action:** By Senator Barrasso from Committee on Environment and Public Works filed written report. Report No.

116-18. (Mar 26, 2019)

**Official Text:** <https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/senate-bill/268>

### Sponsor

**Name:** Sen. Barrasso, John [R-WY]

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

### Cosponsors (5 total)

Cosponsor	Party / State	Role	Date Joined
Sen. Booker, Cory A. [D-NJ]	D · NJ		Jan 29, 2019
Sen. Boozman, John [R-AR]	R · AR		Jan 29, 2019
Sen. Carper, Thomas R. [D-DE]	D · DE		Jan 29, 2019
Sen. Inhofe, James M. [R-OK]	R · OK		Jan 29, 2019
Sen. Whitehouse, Sheldon [D-RI]	D · RI		Jan 29, 2019

### Committee Activity

Committee	Chamber	Activity	Date
Environment and Public Works Committee	Senate	Reported By	Feb 5, 2019

### Subjects & Policy Tags

#### Policy Area:

Animals

### Related Bills

Bill	Relationship	Last Action
116 S 47	Related bill	Mar 12, 2019: Became Public Law No: 116-9.
116 HR 872	Identical bill	Feb 25, 2019: Referred to the Subcommittee on Conservation and Forestry.

## **Wildlife Innovation and Longevity Driver Act or the WILD Act**

This bill reauthorizes and revises several wildlife conservation programs, establishes requirements for invasive species management, and requires the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) to establish certain prize competitions.

Specifically, the bill reauthorizes through FY2023 (1) the Partners for Fish and Wildlife Program; and (2) accounts under the Multinational Species Conservation Fund for the protection of African elephants, Asian elephants, rhinoceros, tigers, and great apes. The bill reauthorizes through FY2024 and revises the Marine Turtle Conservation Fund, including to expand the fund to include funding for the conservation of tortoises and freshwater turtles.

In addition, the bill requires certain federal agencies to (1) control and manage invasive species, and (2) develop strategic plans for implementing invasive species programs designed to achieve substantive annual net reductions of invasive species populations or infested acreage on land or water.

Finally, the USFWS must establish Theodore Roosevelt Genius Prizes to encourage technological innovation with the potential to advance the mission of the USFWS with respect to the

- prevention of wildlife poaching and trafficking,
- promotion of wildlife conservation,
- management of invasive species,
- protection of endangered species, and
- nonlethal management of human-wildlife conflicts.

## **Actions Timeline**

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- **Mar 26, 2019:** By Senator Barrasso from Committee on Environment and Public Works filed written report. Report No. 116-18.
- **Feb 5, 2019:** Committee on Environment and Public Works. Ordered to be reported without amendment favorably.
- **Feb 5, 2019:** Committee on Environment and Public Works. Reported by Senator Barrasso without amendment. Without written report.
- **Feb 5, 2019:** Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 20.
- **Jan 29, 2019:** Introduced in Senate
- **Jan 29, 2019:** Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.