

# H.R.3409 - National Wildlife Refuge Expansion Limitation Act of 2013

## 113<sup>th</sup> Congress at the 1<sup>st</sup> Session

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This bill was introduced in the House of Representatives by Rep. Stephen Lee Fincher (R-TN-8) on 10/30/2013 and referred to the House Committee on Natural Resources.

**Rep. Fincher**

The Natural Resources Committee assigned the bill to the House Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans, and Insular Affairs.

The Subcommittee on Fisheries, Wildlife, Oceans and Insular Affairs is

responsible for all issues pertaining to wildlife resources, fisheries, oceanography, and insular areas. The insular areas of the U.S. include the territories of American Samoa, Guam and the U.S. Virgin Islands (USVI), as well as the Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) and the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

The Subcommittee scheduled Oversight Hearings to consider four bills to take place on July 23, 2014.

- H.R. 3109 (Young of AK), to assist Alaskan Native Handicrafts.
- H.R. 3409 (Fincher), To amend the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 to require that any expansion of a national wildlife refuge must be expressly authorized by statute. "the National Wildlife Refuge Expansion Limitation Act"
- H.R. 5026 (Gosar), To prohibit closing or repurposing any propagation fish hatchery or aquatic species propagation program of the Department of the Interior unless such action is expressly authorized by an Act of Congress, and for other purposes. "the Fish Hatchery Protection Act"
- H.R. 5069 (Fleming), To amend the Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Act to increase in the price of Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamps to fund the acquisition of conservation easements for migratory birds, and for other purposes. "the Federal Duck Stamp Act"

Mr. Martin Clifford Cornell III was the last panelist of the day.



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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 30, 2013

Mr. FINCHER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

## A BILL

To amend the National Wildlife Refuge System Administration Act of 1966 to require that any expansion of a national wildlife refuge must be expressly authorized by statute.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the "National Wildlife Ref-  
5 uge Expansion Limitation Act of 2013".

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1 **SEC. 2. PROHIBITION ON EXPANSION OF NATIONAL WILD-**  
2 **LIFE REFUGES.**

3 Section 4(a) of the National Wildlife Refuge System  
4 Administration Act of 1966 (16 U.S.C. 668dd(a)) is  
5 amended by adding at the end the following:

6 "(6) The Secretary may not expand any national  
7 wildlife refuge except as expressly authorized by a law en-  
8 acted after January 3, 2013."

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