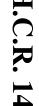
1	WILD LANDS CONCURRENT RESOLUTION
2	2011 GENERAL SESSION
3	STATE OF UTAH
4	Chief Sponsor: Christine F. Watkins
5	Senate Sponsor:
6 7	LONG TITLE
8	General Description:
9	This concurrent resolution of the Legislature and the Governor condemns the closed
10	process used in issuing Secretarial Order Number 3310 and encourages the United
11	States Department of the Interior to continue the open process that characterizes the
12	federal land use bill discussions with San Juan, Emery, Beaver, and Piute Counties,
13	allowing economic development to continue in the counties while also protecting
14	appropriate public lands.
15	Highlighted Provisions:
16	This resolution:
17	 condemns the process used by the United States Secretary of the Interior in issuing
18	Secretarial Order Number 3310;
19	 encourages San Juan, Emery, Beaver, and Piute Counties, as they continue complex
20	federal land bill discussions with the United States Department of the Interior, in
21	order to allow economic development to continue in the counties while also
22	protecting appropriate public lands; and
23	 urges the United States Department of the Interior to participate in federal land bill
24	discussions with Utah counties in good faith.
25	Special Clauses:
26	None





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28	Be it resolved by the Legislature of the state of Utah, the Governor concurring therein:
29	WHEREAS, the United States Secretary of the Interior's Secretarial Order Number
30	3310 concerning Wild Lands had no public input;
31	WHEREAS, the timing of the order announced three days before Christmas, made
32	legitimate analysis and criticism of the guidance impossible;
33	WHEREAS, four Utah counties, San Juan, Emery, Beaver, and Piute, are now involved
34	in complex federal land bill discussions;
35	WHEREAS, these county land bills like the 2009 Washington County Land Bill passed
36	by the United States Congress involve a variety of stakeholders working together to resolve
37	conflicts and reduce uncertainty in the management of public lands;
38	WHEREAS, these county land bills will allow economic development to continue in
39	the counties while also protecting appropriate public lands;
40	WHEREAS, a solution that is based on common sense and takes into account the many
41	uses of Utah's public lands is optimal; and
42	WHEREAS, Utah counties should follow Washington County's very successful
43	approach in resolving its public lands use issues:
44	NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Legislature of the state of Utah, the
45	Governor concurring therein, condemns the process used by the United States Secretary of the
46	Interior in issuing Secretarial Order Number 3310, which made legitimate analysis and
47	criticism of Wild Lands guidance impossible.
48	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor encourage San
49	Juan, Emery, Beaver, and Piute Counties to continue their federal land bill discussions with the
50	United States Department of the Interior in order to allow economic development to continue
51	in the counties while also protecting appropriate public lands.
52	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Legislature and the Governor urge the United
53	States Department of the Interior to continue to engage in good faith discussions with Utah
54	counties regarding their land use bills.
55	BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that a copy of this resolution be sent to the United
56	States Department of the Interior, the San Juan, Emery, Beaver, and Piute County
57	Commissions, the Utah Department of Natural Resources, and to the members of Utah's
58	congressional delegation.

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