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Bill - The Great Cats and Rare Canids Act of 2009

Please support this great legislation!



Rep. Jay Inslee (D-WA 1st) has introduced a fantastic piece of legislation that Big Cat Rescue supports called the Great Cats and Rare Canids Act of 2009.

This legislation will direct the Secretary of the Interior to provide assistance for projects for the conservation of rare felids and rare canids, as well as to convene an advisory group of individuals that represent the public and private organizations actively involved in the conservation of felids and canids.

More specifically, the legislation restricts the use of grants for captive breeding or display purposes -something Big Cat Rescue strongly agrees with!

Please take a moment to send a letter using the form below and urge your elected officials to not only sign on to co-sponsor this bill, but to support its full passage.

If you received this as an email and your Take Action link isn't working, you can paste this URL into your browser to send your letter:
<http://capwiz.com/bigcatrescue/issues/alert/?alertid=1311...>

Take Action

Take just a moment to use the form below to write your elected officials. You can also reach your federal legislators through the Capitol Switchboard at (202) 224-3121 or you can contact them directly by finding their office information on their biography pages.

1 COMPOSE MESSAGE

Message Recipients:

- Your U.S. House Representative
- Ken Salazar, Secretary of the Interior, Secretary

Delivery

Method:

- Email
- Printed Letter

Make a Donation



CFC #10766



Florida law requires that all charities soliciting donations disclose their registration number and the percentage of your donation that goes to the cause and the amount that goes to the solicitor. Our registration number is CH-11409 and **non-program expenses are funded from our income, so 100% of your donations go directly to save the cats.** We are a 501 c 3 charity as determined by the IRS Federal ID#59-3330495. Our 990s are available online at GuideStar.org with a complete breakdown of how your donations are spent.

As seen on:

ABC, NBC, Fox...
Anderson Cooper 360
Animal Planet
Cat Fancy
CNN
Dateline NBC
Discovery Channel
Glamour Magazine
Jack Hannah Show
Oprah Magazine
People Magazine
Sports Illustrated
Today Show
US News & World Report

Subject:

H.R. 411 - The Great Cats and Rare Canids Act of 2009

Issue Area:

Select an issue

Required text:

(this text will appear at the beginning of your message)

As a constituent of your district, I am concerned about exotic cats. I am writing to urge your strong support of H.R. 411, The Great Cats and Rare Canids Act of 2009.

Impact Meter:

[Research](#) has shown that shorter messages are more effective. Use this meter to keep your message to a good length!

0 characters 1.5K characters 3K characters 5K characters

Editable text:

(edit or add your own text)

Our country is in desperate need of tougher laws regulating the breeding and possession of exotic animals, particularly exotic cats.

Unfortunately, many individuals own exotic cats and attempt to call it conservation, when in fact, they breed cats for profit. The only sanctioned international breeding plan for exotic cats is called the Species Survival Plan (SSP) and it is only carried out in accredited zoos.

Ask yourself this simple question -- does the captive breeding of exotic big cats do anything to save that species in the wild? Of course not!

Tip: Cutting-and-pasting? Save as [plain text](#) first.

[spell check](#) 

Required text:

(this text will appear at the end of your message)

This legislation will be a significant step forward to ensure that true conservation of felids and canids does not include breeding and exhibition. Please sign on as a sponsor to this bill, as well as vote to move it forward into law.

Your Closing:

Sincerely,

Your Name:
2 SENDER INFORMATION

We do not sell or trade your information. See [privacy statement](#)

Your Contact Information:

Prefix ([required](#) by some officials)

Select...

First*

Last*

Email*

Address***City*****State/Province*****ZIP/Postal Code*****ZIP + 4****Phone****Organization****Title**

- Remember Me! ([what's this?](#))
- Would you like to know when there is new legislation that affects animals?
- Copy Big Cat Rescue

A copy of your message will be sent to the e-mail address entered above.

3 SEE ME

Show your letter recipients who you are by uploading a photo and writing a comment about the photo. A link to your photo and comment will be included in your letter; you will be able to view SEE ME information posted by you and other people after you send your message.

Warning: Please do not post any sensitive information about yourself - your photo and comment will be accessible by the public.

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