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1	S · 4 3 2	Lake Tahoe Restoration Act	Sen Feinstein, Dianne	CA	Sen Boxer, Barbara CA		Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.	1/25/2011	H.R.486	Requires the Director to deploy strategies that meet or exceed specified criteria for preventing the introduction of aquatic invasive species into the Lake Tahoe Basin and that apply to all watercraft to be launched on water within the Basin.	management	invasive species
2	S · 7 8 1	A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to conform the definition of renewable biomass to the definition given the term in the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002	Sen Thune, John	SD			Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.	4/8/2011	H.R.1920, S.1220	Amends the Clean Air Act to redefine "renewable biomass" as: (1) materials (including trees, wood, brush, thinnings, and chips) or invasive species from certain National Forest System land and public lands, including slash and other materials, that would not otherwise be used for higher-value manufactured forest products and that are removed to reduce hazardous fuels, to reduce or contain disease or insect infestation	biofuel	Invasive species

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3	H · R E S · 8 4 Commemorating 100 years of natural resource conservation achievements made possible through the vision and leadership of Representative John W. Weeks and the enactment of the Weeks Act in 1911.	Rep Moran, James P.	VA			House committee/subcommittee actions. Status: Recalled by full committee.	9/1/2011		Resolved, That the House of Representatives-- (3) recognizes the importance of conserving and restoring forests and grasslands in the United States from new and emerging threats, such as changes in climate, development, and invasive species , and supports bipartisan efforts to promote public and private collaboration in the restoration and conservation of the precious natural resources of the United States.		invasive species
4	H · R · 2 9 1 2 To establish the San Juan Islands National Conservation Area in the San Juan Islands, Washington, and for other purposes.	Rep Larsen, Rick	WA	Rep Inslee, Jay (WA)		Referred to the Subcommittee on National Parks, Forests and Public Lands.	9/19/2011	S.1559	INVASIVE SPECIES AND NOXIOUS WEEDS- In accordance with any applicable laws and subject to such terms and conditions as the Secretary determines to be desirable and appropriate, the Secretary may prescribe measures to control nonnative invasive plants and noxious weeds within the National Conservation Area.		invasive species

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5 H · R · 2838	Coast Guard and Maritime Transportation Act of 2011	Rep LoBiondo, Frank A.	NJ	1		House floor actions. Status: Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union rises leaving H.R. 2838 as unfinished business.	11/4/2011	H.RES.455, H.R.1210	11/4/2011 Regulations aimed at curbing the spread of invasive species by requiring ships to treat ballast water would be loosened under a provision added today to a Coast Guard reauthorization bill. House Republicans inserted the language, originally a stand-alone bill introduced by Rep. Frank LoBiondo (R-N.J.), into the Coast Guard measure that was debated on the floor today and is likely to receive a final vote when lawmakers return from recess the week of Nov. 14. The LoBiondo provision survived two Democratic amendments -- one presented by Rep. Tim Bishop of New York, ranking member on the Transportation Committee's Water Resources and Environment Subcommittee, and the other by Reps. John Dingell of Michigan and Louis Slaughter of New York. Bishop's proposal aimed to water down the provision, Dingell-Slaughter's to strip it from the bill.		

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6	H · R · 2 8 4 0 Commercial Vessel Discharges Reform Act of 2011	Rep LoBiondo, Frank A.	NJ	7		Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Voice Vote.	10/13/2011		`(1) IN GENERAL- Not later than January 1, 2016, and every 10 years thereafter, the Administrator, in consultation with the Secretary, shall complete a review to determine whether revising the ballast water performance standard would result in a scientifically demonstrable and substantial reduction in the risk of the introduction and establishment of aquatic nuisance species .		Aquatic Nuisance species
7	S · 4 7 1 Stop Asian Carp Act of 2011	Sen Stabenow, Debbie	MI	8	To require the Secretary of the Army to study the feasibility of the hydrological separation of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Basins.	Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.	3/3/2011	H.R.892	Purpose of Study- The purpose of the study shall be to determine the feasibility and best means of implementing the hydrological separation of the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Basins to prevent the introduction or establishment of populations of aquatic nuisance species between the Great Lakes and Mississippi River Basins through the CAWS and other aquatic pathways.	feasibility study	Aquatic Nuisance species, asian carp

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8	S · 1 1 9 7	A bill to provide for a feasibility study before carrying out any Federal action relating to the Chicago Area Water System.	Sen Coats, Daniel	IN	2		Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.	6/15/2011	H.R.2432	(a) In General- Prior to any major Federal action, as determined by the Secretary, to prevent the introduction or establishment of a population of aquatic nuisance species between the Great Lakes and the Mississippi River Basins that would impact the flow of commerce or commercial activity within the CAWS, the Secretary shall prepare an economic impact statement as described in subsection (b).		aquatic nuisance species

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9	H · R · 2 3 5 4	Energy and Water Development and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2012	Rep Frelinghuysen, Rodney P.	NJ			Placed on Senate Legislative Calendar under General Orders. Calendar No. 157.	9/7/2011	H.RES.337	Sec. 106. During the 1-year period beginning on the date of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of the Army is authorized to implement measures recommended in the efficacy study authorized under section 3061 of the Water Resources Development Act of 2007 (121 Stat. 1121) or in interim reports, with such modifications or emergency measures as the Secretary of the Army determines to be appropriate, to prevent aquatic nuisance species from dispersing into the Great Lakes by way of any hydrologic connection between the Great Lakes and the Mississippi River Basin.	funding	Aquatic Nuisance Species
10	H · R · 2 3 8 1	Highways Bettering the Economy and Environment Act	Rep Hastings, Alcee L.	FL	8		Referred to House subcommittee. Status: Referred to the Subcommittee on Highways and Transit.	6/27/2011		Congress finds the following: (1) The roadside vegetation management practices of both State governments and the Federal Government aim to secure motorist safety, reduce the presence of noxious weeds , and stabilize the soil.	management	noxious weeds

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11	S · R · E · S · 4 · 7	A resolution recognizing the importance of biosecurity and agrodefense in the United States.	Sen Roberts, Pat	KS	3		Referred to Senate committee. Status: Referred to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.	2/10/11		Resolved, That it is the sense of the Senate that--(1) while the United States continues to combat terrorism in all forms around the world, the safety, security, and health of our livestock and agriculture commodities must not be forgotten;		pathogens
12	H · R · 2 · 5 · 8 · 4	Department of the Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies Appropriations Act, 2012	Rep Simpson, Michael K.	ID			House floor actions. Status: Committee of the Whole House on the state of the Union rises leaving H.R. 2584 as unfinished business.	7/28/2011		includes appropriations for research and management of multiple invasive species by several agencies	funding	brown tree snake
13	S · 1 · 6 · 7 · 3	Safeguarding American Agriculture Act of 2011	Sen Akaka, Daniel K.	HI	Sen Feinstein, Dianne [CA]		Referred to Senate committee. Status: Read twice and referred to the Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs.	10/6/2011		creates Office of Agriculture Inspection under OBP	reorganizaton	