

111TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3537

To amend and reauthorize the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program Act of 1994.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 8, 2009

Mr. ORTIZ (for himself and Mr. BROWN of South Carolina) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Natural Resources

A BILL

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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 “Junior Duck Stamp
5 Conservation and Design Program Reauthorization Act of
6 2009”.

7 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

8 Congress finds the following:

9 (1) In 2007–2008, sales of the \$5 Junior Duck
10 Stamp generated more than \$100,000 in revenue, all

1 of which was used to provide educational materials
2 for the program, fund scholarships for students, and
3 support and promote the program's goal of con-
4 necting children with nature.

5 (2) Now in its 20th year, the Junior Duck
6 Stamp Conservation and Design Program is one of
7 this country's oldest and most successful govern-
8 ment-sponsored, youth-focused conservation biology
9 programs. The program continues to build strong
10 partnerships with public and parochial schools,
11 homeschoolers and after-school programs, and other
12 youth-focused education programs throughout the
13 country.

14 (3) The Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and
15 Design Program continues to foster strong partner-
16 ships among Federal and State government agen-
17 cies, nongovernment organizations, the business
18 community, and others in the private sector to pro-
19 mote youth conservation initiatives.

20 (4) With its conservation-focused science and
21 arts curriculum, the Junior Duck Stamp Conserva-
22 tion and Design Program has helped prepare hun-
23 dreds of thousands of students to become stewards
24 of America's irreplaceable wild places and treasured
25 outdoor heritage.

1 **SEC. 3. REPORTING REQUIREMENT.**

2 Section 2(c)(2) of the Junior Duck Stamp Conserva-
3 tion and Design Program Act of 1994 (16 U.S.C.
4 719(c)(2)) is amended to read as follows:

5 “(2) REPORTING REQUIREMENT.—Beginning in
6 2010 and every 5 years thereafter, the Secretary
7 shall submit to Congress a report on the status of
8 the Program in each State.”.

9 **SEC. 4. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

10 Section 6 of the Junior Duck Stamp Conservation
11 and Design Program Act of 1994 (16 U.S.C. 719c) is
12 amended to read as follows:

13 **“SEC. 6. AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.**

14 “There is authorized to be appropriated to the Sec-
15 retary for administrative expenses of the Program
16 \$500,000 for each of fiscal years 2010 through 2015.”.

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