\$415 million LT Restoration Act before Congress

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WASHINGTON — In a bipartisan push to save Lake Tahoe, members of Congress from Nevada and California introduced a \$415 million, eight-year bill Tuesday aimed at restoring the ailing lake.

The Lake Tahoe Restoration Act of 2009 would battle invasive species, improve water clarity, reduce the threat of devastating fires and protect wildlife.



Sen. John Ensign, R-Nev., supports bringing money to Lake Tahoe. Photo/Kathryn Reed

The bill builds on legislation passed in 2000 that began to improve the lake and the surrounding forest and basin.

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