



# ARIZONA HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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## **HCM2001: salt cedars; urging eradication**

**Sponsor: Representative Griffin, LD 14**

**House Engrossed**

### **Overview**

Urges the United States Congress, the United States Department of the Interior (DOI) and the United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) to develop solutions to control the growth of salt cedar trees.

### **History**

Tamarisks, also known as salt cedar trees, were introduced into the United States in the 1800s and are now deemed an invasive species by the United States Department of Agriculture. In 1999, President Clinton established the National Invasive Species Council and defined an invasive species as an alien species whose introduction does or is likely to cause harm to the economy, environment or human health ([Exec. Order 13112](#)).

### **Provisions**

1. Urges the U.S. Congress to appropriate monies to the State of Arizona to eradicate salt cedars from Arizona waterways.
2. Urges the DOI and the USDA to develop innovative solutions to control the proliferation of salt cedars.
3. Directs the Secretary of State to transmit copies of the memorial to the President of the United States, the President of the U.S. Senate, the Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives, the Secretary of the USDA and each member of Arizona's congressional delegation.

Prop 105 (45 votes)

Prop 108 (40 votes)

Emergency (40 votes)

Fiscal Note