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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Ms. MCCOLLUM (for herself and Mr. LATOURETTE) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on

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## 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,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Strategic Response to  
3 Asian Carp Invasion Act”.

4 **SEC. 2. FINDINGS.**

5 Congress finds the following:

6 (1) The rapid spread of several invasive species  
7 of Asian Carp in the Upper Mississippi River and  
8 Ohio River basins and tributaries threatens eco-  
9 systems and billions of dollars of economic activities  
10 connected to outdoor recreation in States throughout  
11 the Midwest.

12 (2) While Federal efforts have focused on pre-  
13 venting the spread of Asian Carp into the Great  
14 Lakes, there is growing recognition of the threat  
15 these invasive species pose to other ecosystems in  
16 the Upper Mississippi and Ohio River basins.

17 **SEC. 3. MULTIAGENCY EFFORT TO SLOW THE SPREAD OF**  
18 **ASIAN CARP IN THE UPPER MISSISSIPPI AND**  
19 **OHIO RIVER BASINS AND TRIBUTARIES.**

20 The Director of the United States Fish and Wildlife  
21 Service, in coordination with the Army Corps of Engi-  
22 neers, the National Park Service, and the United States  
23 Geological Survey, shall lead a multiagency effort to slow  
24 the spread of Asian Carp in the Upper Mississippi and  
25 Ohio River basins and tributaries by providing high-level  
26 technical assistance, coordination, best practices, and sup-

1 port to State and local government strategies to slow, and  
2 eventually eliminate, the threat posed by Asian Carp. To  
3 the maximum extent practicable, the multiagency effort  
4 shall apply lessons learned and best practices such as  
5 those developed under the Management and Control Plan  
6 for Bighead, Black, Grass, and Silver Carps in the United  
7 States, November 2007 and the Asian Carp Control Stra-  
8 tegic Framework.

9 **SEC. 4. REPORT TO CONGRESS.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—The Director of the United States  
11 Fish and Wildlife Service shall by December 31 of each  
12 year submit to the Subcommittee on Interior, Environ-  
13 ment, and Related Agencies of the Committee on Appro-  
14 priations and the Committee on Natural Resources of the  
15 House of Representatives a report on the coordinated  
16 strategies established and progress made toward goals to  
17 control and eliminate the Asian Carp in the Upper Mis-  
18 sissippi and Ohio River basins and tributaries.

19 (b) CONTENTS.—The Director shall include in each  
20 report—

21 (1) observed changes in the range of Asian carp  
22 in such waters during the 2-year period preceding  
23 submission of the report;

24 (2) a summary of Federal agency efforts, in-  
25 cluding cooperative efforts with non-Federal part-

1       ners, to control the spread of Asian carp in such  
2       waters;

3           (3) research needed that could improve the abil-  
4       ity to control such spread;

5           (4) quantitative measures that will be used to  
6       document progress in controlling such spread; and

7           (5) cross-cut accounting of Federal and non-  
8       Federal expenditures to control such spread.