

# Sen. Tiffany: Joint statement with Michigan Sen. Casperson on the Manage Our Wolves Act

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## *State Senators Casperson and Tiffany Expect Results*

The Manage Our Wolves Act passed on a bipartisan vote last Friday in the House of Representatives. Now is the time for the Great Lakes Senators to show voters in their states they have some clout in Washington. Senators Baldwin (D-WI), Klobuchar (D-MN), and Stabenow (D-MI) it is now your turn to produce results for your constituents.

Thank you Representatives Sean Duffy (R-WI) and Collin Peterson (R-MN) for leading on this bipartisan issue. The science is clear-cut on the issue of de-listing. Twenty-six scientists with expertise in the field of wildlife biology signed a letter a few years ago urging the wolf be delisted. The Fish and Wildlife Service under President Obama delisted the gray wolf in 2011. By every measurement the gray wolf has successfully recovered.

If the gray wolf continues to be protected under the Endangered Species Act (ESA), will the ESA become endangered? Sportsmen across the country rely on sound science to buttress ESA decisions. If the ESA is simply a political tool used by the well-connected to deny sound science, will it jeopardize the ESA?

We understand some interest groups are urging you to quietly let this bill die. However, you have made a commitment to support delisting. All of you received substantial numbers of votes from rural constituents. It is time to prove you have clout in Washington D.C. and force a vote on this bipartisan issue. Senator Jon Tester (D-MT) successfully achieved delisting in Montana by demanding a vote for

his state. You should do the same.

Sportsmen, it is time to call, e-mail and visit your senators to demand action. It is time for results, not rhetoric.

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