

Why do we need H.297 Rep. Jim McCullough

Elephants and Rhino are T&E Species Being slaughtered & facing extinction in our lifetimes.

There is a well organized thriving Illicit world trade in spite of CITES (Convention International Trade) world prohibition of 1976.

In 2013, only 6% of shipping cargo entering US ports was inspected by US Boarder Patrol.

Federal Fish and Wildlife regulates importation and INTERSTATE commerce and movement of ivory.

VT H.297 proposes to regulate INTRASTATE commerce.

NJ., NY., CA., WA., already passed similar legislation with several additional states poised to do so.

The various states' INTRASTATE legislation fills the holes left open in Federal law that limit the effectiveness of CITES intent and the Federal law that enforces.