Dear Senator:

The listed sportsmen’s and conservation organizations strongly support passage of a bipartisan amendment, the Sportsmen’s Act of 2012, which is proposed for a floor vote as part of the Farm Bill debate. It is being offered by the Co-Chairs of the Congressional Sportsmen’s Caucus, Senator Tester and Senator Thune. We respectfully ask that you vote in favor of the amendment.

This amendment is essential to the expansion and enhancement of hunting and recreational fishing and shooting on federal public lands and the sustainability of fish and wildlife populations that support those activities. It is a compilation of a number of different bills that promote and advance our hunting and recreational fishing and shooting heritage, plus continued authorization of several vital conservation programs, including that enhance waterfowl, and other fish and wildlife populations and habitat. Several of the hunting and fishing bills have passed the House of Representatives on a bi-partisan basis as part of H.R.4089, which our community also strongly supported.

We urge you to vote for passage of amendment, the Sportsmen’s Act of 2012. Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Sincerely,

American Fisheries Society
American Fly Fishing Trade Association
American Sportfishing Association
Archery Trade Association
Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
B.A.S.S., LLC
Berkley Conservation Institute
Boone and Crockett Club
Bowhunting Preservation Alliance
Campfire Club of America
Catch-A-Dream Foundation
Center for Coastal Conservation
Congressional Sportsmen’s Foundation
Conservation Force
Costal Conservation Association
Dallas Safari Club
Delta Waterfowl Foundation
Ducks Unlimited
Houston Safari Club
International Game Fish Association
Mule Deer Foundation
National Marine Manufacturers Association
National Rifle Association
National Shooting Sports Foundation
National Trappers Association
National Wild Turkey Federation
North American Bear Foundation
North American Grouse Partnership
Orion – the Hunter’s Institute
Pheasants Forever
Pope and Young Club
Public Lands Foundation
Quail Forever
Quality Deer Management Association
Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation
Ruffed Grouse Society
Shimano Sport Fisheries Initiative
Texas Wildlife Association
The Billfish Foundation
Theodore Roosevelt Conservation Partnership
TreadLightly!
Wild Sheep Foundation
Wildlife Forever
Wildlife Management Institute