

# IF YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO KNOWS PRESIDENT BUSH, LET HIM READ THIS TODAY!

If the President doesn't exercise his veto power this Monday, "Missy" will go to slaughter thanks to Sen. Conrad Burns (R, MT) slipping this language into the omnibus 2005 budget bill.

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Dear Colleague,



25% of the landmass of the lower 48 states is public land which is controlled by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The states and US Forest Service control additional public land.

This land is leased to "investors" who either run cattle on the land, or charge cattle ranchers a hefty fee to run their cattle on this land - your land - wildlife land - wild horse land!

In order to make it worthwhile to the 3.2 million cattle, there has to be a lot of grass to eat. The government says that deer, elk and wild horses & burros can't eat the grass any more - it's only for privately owned cattle. So they shoot the deer and elk, and they round up the wild horses and burros for "adoption."

Shockingly, we just found out during the recent elections that Congressmen don't read the bills they vote on! Well, the Friday before Thanksgiving, Congressmen woke up to a 14-inch thick budget bill and they voted it into law - without reading it!

And guess what? A Senator sneaked in a few pages changing the law about wild horses - and when the President signs the bill on Monday, the government will be able to get rid of all the wild horses and burros in America even by selling them to slaughter houses.

The 3.2 million cattle amount for only 2.5% of US beef consumption. The 32,000 horses equal about 1% of the cattle. And after the holocaust, we will continue paying about \$100,000,000 in subsidies to the ranchers and investors who graze their cattle on our land.

Our only chance is for the President to use his veto power to prevent the largest wholesale slaughter of horses in North America. Horses like "Missy."

With love for the animals,

*Leo Grillo*  
actor, rescuer

PS: Tell President Bush to log onto [www.horserescueofamerica.org](http://www.horserescueofamerica.org) and to watch the BLM round up of a huge herd of horses. This family group, and other herds, will be sold at livestock auctions beginning January 1, 2005 -- unless he vetoes HR-4818, Section 143 - "sale of wild free roaming horses and burros."