



**HELLO?!
IT'S BEEN
137
YEARS!**

ANOTHER YEAR AND STILL NO MINING REFORM.

It's still on the books. Signed by President Grant in 1872, the nation's hardrock mining law gives giant, global corporations the same sweet deal it gave the 19th century prospector:

- Gold and other precious metals to be taken for free.
- Mining given priority on public lands, regardless of the impact on watersheds, wildlife or local communities.
- Public land for sale at \$5 an acre or less.

To reform the law, Senator Jeff Bingaman has introduced S.796 and Representative Nick Rahall offers H.R. 699, a version of which passed the House in 2007. After 137 years, it's time to get it done.

**Give modern mining
a modern mining law.**

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