



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE

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**H.R. 348**

**A bill to authorize the construction of a monument to honor those  
who have served the nation's civil defense and  
emergency management programs**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on October 20, 1999*

CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 348 would have no impact on federal spending. The bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

H.R. 348 would authorize the United States National Civil Defense Monument Commission, a private nonprofit organization, to donate a monument to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). All costs of constructing the monument would be paid by the commission and the finished monument would be donated to FEMA. Subject to approval by FEMA, the bill would authorize the commission to design the monument and select a site to install it at FEMA's National Emergency Training Center in Emmitsburg, Maryland. Under H.R. 348, the commission's authority would expire in seven years unless FEMA has approved the monument's design and location, and construction has begun. Based on information from FEMA and the commission, CBO expects these requirements would be met. CBO estimates that any costs to the federal government of maintaining the monument would be negligible.

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