



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE**

June 10, 2002

**H.R. 640  
Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area Boundary  
Adjustment Act**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
on June 5, 2002*

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 640 would have no significant effect on the federal budget. The legislation would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. H.R. 640 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

H.R. 640 would expand the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area in California to include about 3,500 acres of nonfederal lands. The act specifies that the federal government could acquire lands within the proposed expansion area only by donation or with donated funds. The Santa Monica Mountains Conservancy, a California state agency, owns roughly four-fifths of the lands within the proposed expansion area. According to the National Park Service (NPS) and the conservancy, under H.R. 640, the conservancy would donate those lands to the federal government so that they may be managed for critical wildlife habitat. Based on information from NPS, we estimate that the agency would incur additional costs to manage the donated lands, but that such costs would not exceed \$500,000 a year.

On May 21, 2001, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 640 as ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on May 16, 2001. The Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources' version of H.R. 640 would add fewer acres of nonfederal lands to the recreation area than the House version. CBO estimates, however, that neither version of H.R. 640 would have a significant impact on the federal budget.

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