



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 13 **Museum and Library Services Act of 2003**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Education and the Workforce
on February 13, 2003*

SUMMARY

H.R. 13 would reauthorize programs under the Museum and Library Services Act of 1996 that were authorized through 2002. Programs were authorized in 2003 by the Consolidated Appropriations Resolution, 2003 (Public Law 108-10). H.R. 13 would reauthorize these programs through 2009.

CBO estimates that authorizations under the bill would total \$245 million in 2004 and about \$1.5 billion over the 2004-2009 period, assuming that annual levels are adjusted to keep pace with inflation when specific annual authorizations are not provided. CBO estimates that appropriations of the authorized levels would result in additional outlays of \$1.3 billion over the 2004-2009 period, if inflation adjustments are included (and about \$1.2 billion without inflation adjustments). Enacting H.R. 13 would not affect direct spending or receipts.

H.R. 13 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. This bill would benefit states and other participating entities by authorizing grant funding for updating museum and library services. Any costs incurred by states to participate in this program would be voluntary.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 13 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 500 (education, training, employment, and social services). CBO's estimate of authorized levels is the authorized amount for 2004 with those amounts inflated in later years. The estimated outlays reflect CBO's current assumptions about spending patterns in the authorized programs.

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars						
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION							
Spending Under Current Law							
Budget Authority ^a	244	0	0	0	0	0	0
Estimated Outlays	231	185	71	0	0	0	0
Proposed Changes:							
Library Services							
Estimated Authorization Level	0	210	214	219	223	228	233
Estimated Outlays	0	44	142	214	218	223	228
Museum Services							
Estimated Authorization Level	0	35	36	36	37	38	39
Estimated Outlays	0	10	35	36	37	37	38
Total Proposed Changes							
Estimated Authorization Level	0	245	250	255	260	266	272
Estimated Outlays	0	54	177	250	255	260	266
Total Spending Under H.R. 13							
Estimated Authorization Level ^a	244	245	250	255	260	266	272
Estimated Outlays	231	239	248	250	255	260	266

a. The 2003 level is the amount appropriated for that year for the library and museum services programs.

H.R. 13 would reauthorize programs created under the Museum and Library Services Act. Both the library and museum services programs would be reauthorized at specific levels for 2004 and for such sums as may be necessary for 2005 through 2009.

H.R. 13 would authorize the appropriation of \$245 million in 2004. CBO estimates that the bill would authorize total funding of \$1.5 billion over the 2004-2009 period, assuming that "such sums" amounts provided after 2004 are adjusted for inflation. If the authorized amounts are appropriated, estimated outlays would total \$54 million in the first year and about \$1.3 billion over the six-year period. (Without inflation adjustments, outlays would total about \$1.2 billion over the six years.)

Office of Library Services

The Office of Library Services within the Institute of Museum and Library Services provides funding to public libraries through state formula grants so that libraries can promote wider access to learning and information. Competitive grants are also available for libraries that submit innovative ideas to improve information access. The program also supports collaborative activities between museums and libraries. The bill would authorize the library services program at \$210 million in 2004 and such sums as may be necessary for the 2005-2009 period. CBO estimates the total authorized funding for the 2004-2009 period would be about \$1.3 billion, assuming adjustments for inflation, with resulting outlays of about \$1.1 billion over those six years.

Office of Museum Services

The Office of Museum Services provides competitive grants to museums to improve museum programs and operations. The bill would reauthorize the current program at \$35 million in 2004 and such sums as may be necessary for each of the following five years. For this program, CBO estimates the total authorized funding for the 2004-2009 period would be \$221 million, assuming adjustments for inflation, with resulting outlays of \$194 million over those six years.

National Museum and Library Services Board

The bill would also add a National Museum and Library Services Board within the Institute of Museum and Library Services, allow the director to grant national awards to libraries and museums that have made significant contributions in service to their communities, and instruct the director to report on the impact of the museum and library services programs. Funding for the board's activities would come out of the amounts authorized for the Office of Library Services and the Office of Museum Services.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

H.R. 13 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. This bill would benefit states and other participating entities by authorizing grant funding for streamlining and updating museum and library services. Any costs incurred by states to participate in this program would be voluntary.

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