



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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S. 1241

Kate Mullany National Historic Site Act

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
on June 16, 2004*

S. 1241 would establish the Kate Mullany National Historic Site in New York as an affiliated area of the National Park System. The site would continue to be owned and operated by the American Labor Studies Center. The bill would authorize the National Park Service (NPS) to provide the center with technical and financial assistance for planning, development, interpretation, and preservation of the site, including up to \$500,000 for acquiring the adjacent half of the Kate Mullany house. The NPS would be required to prepare a general management plan for the site within three years of receiving funding. Finally, the bill would authorize the appropriation of whatever amounts are necessary for these purposes.

Based on historical experience with other affiliated areas and assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 1241 would cost the federal government about \$2.5 million over the next five years. We expect that \$2 million of this amount would be spent to help restore the Kate Mullany house and develop interpretive materials and programs; the balance would be used by the NPS to develop a management plan for the area and to contribute funds towards the purchase of the adjacent property. We estimate that, once the site has been restored, the NPS would contribute about \$100,000 annually for operating funds (also assuming the availability of appropriated funds).

S. 1241 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.

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