



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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S. 163

Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area Act

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
on February 9, 2005*

S. 163 would establish the Mormon Pioneer National Heritage Area in Utah and would designate the Utah Heritage Highway 89 Alliance as the managing entity for the area. The nonprofit corporation would be responsible for developing and implementing a management plan for the protection, development, and management of cultural and other area resources. Finally, the legislation would authorize the appropriation of \$10 million, not to exceed \$1 million annually, for technical and financial assistance to the Alliance over the next 15 years.

Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 163 would cost \$10 million over the next 10 to 15 years. Such amounts would be used to cover a portion of the costs of planning, establishing, operating, and interpreting the heritage area. Enacting this legislation would have no effect on revenues or direct spending.

S. 163 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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