

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

October 8, 2002

S. 1959

A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the former Eagledale Ferry Dock in the state of Washington for potential inclusion in the National Park System

As reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on October 8, 2002

S. 1959 would direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of the Eagledale Ferry Dock on Bainbridge Island in the state of Washington. The study would determine the national significance of the site and the feasibility and suitability of establishing it as a unit of the National Park System. The bill would authorize the appropriation of whatever amounts are necessary to conduct the study and would require the Secretary to report on its findings and recommendations within three years of receiving funds.

Assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 1959 would cost the federal government about \$200,000 over the next year or two to complete the required study and report. The bill would not affect revenues or direct spending.

S. 1959 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.

On September 23, 2002, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 3747, the Bainbridge Island Japanese-American Memorial Study Act of 2002, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on September 12, 2002. S. 1959 and H.R. 3747 are very similar, and the estimated costs of the two pieces of legislation are identical.

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