



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 3605 **Sandia Pueblo Settlement Technical Amendment Act**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources
on February 27, 2014*

H.R. 3605 would require the Secretary of Agriculture to transfer certain lands in the Sandia Mountain Wilderness and Cibola National Forest in New Mexico to the Department of the Interior to be held in trust for the Pueblo of Sandia. In exchange for the specified National Forest lands, the legislation would require the Secretary of the Interior to transfer certain lands and easements held in trust for the Pueblo of Sandia to the Forest Service.

CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 3605 would have no significant impact on the federal budget. Based on information provided by the Forest Service, CBO estimates that the cost of administering the land transfers would be minimal. Enacting H.R. 3605 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

H.R. 3605 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would benefit the Pueblo of Sandia.

On December 2, 2013, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for S. 611, the Sandia Pueblo Settlement Technical Amendment Act, as ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs on October 20, 2013. The two pieces of legislation are similar, and the CBO cost estimates are the same.

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