



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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H.R. 1126
Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Completion Act
As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on June 12, 2013

SUMMARY

H.R. 1126 would authorize the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission to select an alternative design for the memorial and would replace the members and staff of the commission. Based on information provided by the commission, CBO estimates that implementing the bill by developing a new design for the memorial would cost \$17 million over the 2014-2018 period, assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts. Enacting H.R. 1126 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

H.R. 1126 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 1126 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars					2014-2018
	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Estimated Authorization Level	2	4	4	4	4	18
Estimated Outlays	1	4	4	4	4	17

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

For this estimate, CBO assumes that the legislation will be enacted near the end of 2013 and that the necessary amounts will be appropriated for each fiscal year. Outlays are based on historical spending for other memorials.

H.R. 1126 would authorize the Dwight D. Eisenhower Memorial Commission to select an alternative design for the memorial. The bill also would require the appointment of new members to the commission. Under the bill, the current commissioners and staff would be removed from the commission. In addition, all commission records would be retained by the General Services Administration or the Secretary of the Interior until the new commission members are appointed.

Based on information provided by the commission, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1126 would cost \$17 million over 2014-2018 period, primarily to develop an alternative design for the memorial. CBO estimates that retaining the records would not significantly increase administrative costs over the 2014-2018 period. CBO expects that expenses for the new commissioners and staff would be about the same as under current law.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

H.R. 1126 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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