



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 3687
Military Land and National Defense Act**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on May 8, 2014

H.R. 3687 would require the Department of the Interior (DOI) to notify the Congress of any federal properties being considered for designation as a National Historic Landmark, inclusion on the National Register of Historic Places, or nomination to the World Heritage List. Under the bill, no federal property would be designated as a National Historic Landmark or included in the National Register of Historic Places if the agency managing the property objects to the designation or inclusion of the property for reasons of national security. H.R. 3687 also would require DOI to promulgate regulations for the expedited removal of any properties from the National Register of Historic Places for national security reasons.

Based on information provided by DOI, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost about \$1 million over the next couple of years, assuming the appropriation of the necessary funds. Those amounts would be used to promulgate new regulations. Enacting H.R. 3687 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

H.R. 3687 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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