



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

August 12, 2002

H.R. 107

An act to require that the Secretary of the Interior conduct a study to identify sites and resources, to recommend alternatives for commemorating and interpreting the Cold War, and for other purposes

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
on July 31, 2002*

H.R. 107 would direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to identify sites that are significant to the Cold War. The study would include recommendations for commemorating and interpreting the identified sites and estimates of the costs of carrying out those recommendations. The legislation would require the Secretary to report to the Congress on its findings within three years of receiving funds for the study. The Secretary would publish an interpretive handbook on the Cold War within the year following the report. Finally, H.R. 107 would authorize the appropriation of \$300,000 to conduct the study.

Assuming appropriation of the authorized amount, CBO estimates that it would cost the National Park Service \$300,000 over the next four years to conduct the required study, report to the Congress, and publish the handbook. H.R. 107 would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. The legislation 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 21, 2001, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 107 as ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on September 12, 2001. The two versions of the legislation are very similar, and the cost estimates are identical.

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