



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE

May 14, 2008

**S. 827**

**Freedom's Way National Heritage Area Act of 2008**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
on May 7, 2008*

S. 827 would establish Freedom's Way National Heritage Area (NHA) in New Hampshire and Massachusetts and designate the Freedom's Way Heritage Association, Inc., a local nonprofit organization, as the management entity for the NHA. The bill would authorize the appropriation of \$10 million, not to exceed \$1 million annually, for financial assistance to the association and other eligible entities over the next 15 years.

Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 827 would cost \$5 million over the 2009-2013 period and an additional \$5 million after 2013. Enacting the legislation would have no effect on direct spending or revenues.

S. 827 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 October 10, 2007, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 1483, the Celebrating America's Heritage Act, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on September 26, 2007. H.R. 1483 would establish six national heritage areas, including the Freedom's Way NHA. The estimated cost of S. 827 is the same as the estimated cost of the similar provision in H.R. 1483.

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