



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

June 20, 2008

S.J. Res. 38

**A joint resolution waiving certain provisions of the
Trade Act of 1974 relating to the appointment of
a Deputy United States Trade Representative**

As reported by the Senate Committee on Finance on June 18, 2008

CBO estimates that enacting S.J. Res. 38 would have no significant impact on the federal budget and would not affect direct spending or revenues. S.J. Res. 38 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, and tribal governments.

The legislation would allow the President to appoint Deanna Tanner Okun as the Deputy United States Trade Representative. She has been nominated by the President for the position; however, current law prohibits someone who has directly represented, aided, or advised a foreign entity in trade negotiations from being appointed a Deputy United States Trade Representative.

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