



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE

June 30, 2008

H.R. 1286
**Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route National Historic
Trail Designation Act**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on June 25, 2008

H.R. 1286 would amend the National Trails System Act to designate the Washington-Rochambeau Revolutionary Route as a National Historic Trail. The route spans over 600 miles across nine states and the District of Columbia and traces the marches taken by the American and French armies during the Yorktown campaign of the Revolutionary War. The National Park Service (NPS) would administer the trail and coordinate the efforts of public and private entities on trail administration, planning, development, and maintenance.

Based on information provided by the NPS and assuming the availability of appropriated funds, CBO estimates that establishing, developing, and administering the proposed historic trail would cost about \$2 million over the 2009-2013 period. Of this amount, we estimate that the NPS would spend about \$300,000 over the next three years to prepare a comprehensive management plan for the trail. In addition, we estimate that the NPS would spend about \$350,000 annually beginning in 2010 to operate and maintain the interpretive program for trail visitors.

The bill 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.

The CBO staff contacts for this estimate are Deborah Reis and Matthew Pickford. The estimate was approved by Theresa Gullo, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.