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PAY-AS-YOU-GO ESTIMATE**

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**S. 291  
Carlsbad Irrigation Project Acquired Land Transfer Act**

*As cleared by the Congress on June 7, 2000*

S. 291 would direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey the Carlsbad Project in New Mexico to the Carlsbad Irrigation District. This conveyance would include an irrigation and drainage system, related lands and property, and most surface and mineral estates.

CBO estimates that enacting S. 291 would increase direct spending by about \$200,000 annually. Under current law, oil and gas leases and a grazing permit produce receipts from this project of about \$200,000 annually. S. 291 would allow the Bureau of Reclamation to use receipts collected after the bill is enacted but prior to conveyance to offset the cost of conveying the project. The bill also would transfer the right to collect those receipts to the irrigation district after conveyance.

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