

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

March 11, 1999

S. 382

Minuteman Missile National Historic Site Establishment Act of 1999

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on March 4, 1999

Assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 382 would cost the federal government about \$8.4 million over the next five years. Subsequent ongoing costs after this period would be about \$0.7 million annually. S. 382 would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

- S. 382 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would have no significant impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.
- S. 382 would establish the Minuteman Missile National Historic Site in South Dakota as a unit of the National Park System. The new park unit would consist of the Delta 1 and Delta 9 launch facilities and one of two support facility areas that are under consideration for a visitor and administrative site. The NPS would have three years in which to complete a general management plan for the new park unit, including an evaluation of the alternative areas for the visitor and administrative facility.

Based on information provided by the National Park Service (NPS), CBO estimates that the government would spend about \$350,000 over the next three fiscal years to develop the general management plan for the Minuteman unit. The NPS would incur additional costs of about \$8 million over the 2000-2004 period to establish and begin operating the site, most of which would be used to build a visitor and administrative center. In subsequent years, the agency would spend about \$0.7 million to operate and maintain the new park.

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