



## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

October 13, 1999

**A bill to amend the Clean Air Act to provide that certain environmental reports shall continue to be required to be submitted**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works  
on September 29, 1999*

This bill would require the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to continue to provide a biennial report to the Congress that identifies and assesses the extent that air pollutants affect the Great Lakes, Chesapeake Bay, Lake Champlain, and the coastal waters. The requirement to prepare this report would otherwise expire on December 21, 1999. CBO estimates that enacting this bill would not impose significant costs on EPA, and that any such costs would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds. Based on information from EPA, we estimate production of this report costs about \$250,000 a year. Because enactment of this bill would not affect direct spending or receipts, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

This bill contains no intergovernmental mandates or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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