



## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

August 7, 2002

### S. 2482

#### **A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to grant to Deschutes and Crook Counties in the state of Oregon a right-of-way to West Butte Road**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
on July 31, 2002*

CBO estimates that enacting S. 2482 would have no significant impact on the federal budget. The bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

S. 2482 would direct the Secretary of the Interior to grant to Deschutes and Crook Counties, Oregon, rights-of-way to the West Butte Road, which was constructed in 1968 by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) through lands owned by that agency. In exchange, those counties would relinquish right-of-way interests in the George Millican Road, which passes through the same segment of federal land as the West Butte Road. According to BLM, the agency currently collects no fees for the affected rights-of-way, and exchanging them would not affect the agency's costs to manage the surrounding lands.

S. 2482 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 right-of-way grant authorized by this bill would benefit the state of Oregon and the affected local governments in the state. Any costs that these governments would incur to meet the conditions of this grant would be voluntary.

On July 30, 2002, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 4953, similar legislation, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on July 24, 2002. The two bills are substantively similar, and our cost estimates are the same.

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