



## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

October 11, 2002

### **S. 2744**

### **National Aviation Heritage Area Act**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
on October 8, 2002*

S. 2744 would establish the National Aviation Heritage Area in Montgomery, Greene, Warren, Miami, Clark, and Champaign counties in Ohio and including the Neil Armstrong Air & Space Museum and the Wilbur Wright Birthplace and Museum. The bill would designate the Aviation Heritage Foundation as the management entity for the area. The foundation would develop a management plan that identifies activities and sources of funding to protect and manage the heritage area. In addition, the foundation would make grants to state and local agencies and other entities to implement the plan.

For the above purposes, the bill would authorize the appropriation of \$10 million, not to exceed \$1 million annually. In addition, S. 2744 would require the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study detailing alternatives for incorporating the Wright Company factory and properties within the Wright-Dunbar Historic District as units of the Dayton Aviation Heritage National Historical Park.

Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 2744 would cost about \$10 million over the next 10 to 15 years. Such amounts would be used to cover a portion of the costs of establishing, operating, and interpreting the heritage area. CBO estimates that the cost of the required study would be less than \$500,000. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

S. 2744 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.

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