



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

May 22, 2003

S. 558

A bill to elevate the position of Director of the Indian Health Service within the Department of Health and Human Services to Assistant Secretary for Indian Health, and for other purposes

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs on May 14, 2003

CBO estimates that enacting this bill would have no significant effect on the federal budget. S. 558 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

S. 558 would establish the position of Assistant Secretary for Indian Health in lieu of the current position of Director of the Indian Health Service. The duties and responsibilities of the office would not be changed significantly. The rate of pay would increase from level V to level IV of the Executive Schedule, an increase of \$8,600. This change would not affect the salary of the current Director of the Indian Health Service, because his pay is governed by the pay structure of the Public Health Service Commissioned Corps.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Eric Rollins. This estimate was approved by Peter H. Fontaine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.