



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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S. 1410

A bill to reauthorize the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act, and for other purposes

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works
on July 20, 2005*

SUMMARY

S. 1410 would reauthorize funding for projects carried out under the Neotropical Migratory Bird Conservation Act through fiscal year 2010. (The current authorization to fund this program expires after fiscal year 2005.) The Secretary of the Interior uses this funding primarily to help finance research and conservation programs in North and South America.

Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 1410 would cost \$3 million in 2006 and \$35 million over the 2005-2010 period. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues. S. 1410 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of S. 1410 is shown in the following table. For this estimate, CBO assumes that S. 1410 will be enacted near the start of fiscal year 2006 and that funds will be provided as specified in the bill. Estimates of outlays are based on historical spending patterns for this program and other conservation activities. The cost of this legislation falls within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION					
Authorization Level	5	5	8	10	10
Estimated Outlays	3	5	7	9	10

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

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