



## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 26, 2007

### **H.R. 1664**

#### **A bill to authorize grants for contributions toward the establishment of the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform  
on July 19, 2007*

#### **SUMMARY**

H.R. 1664 would authorize the appropriation of such sums as necessary for grants to expand the facilities of the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library, a private, nonprofit corporation located in Staunton, Virginia. The grant would be provided by the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) and would equal 50 percent of the funds collected by the library from nonfederal sources for an expansion of the library.

Based on information from the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library and assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost \$4 million over the 2008-2009 period. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 1664 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 H.R. 1664 is shown on the following table. The cost of this legislation falls within budget function 800 (general government).

	By Fiscal Year, In Millions of Dollars				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
<b>CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION</b>					
Estimated Authorization Level	2	2	0	0	0
Estimated Outlays	2	2	0	0	0

**BASIS OF ESTIMATE**

For this estimate, CBO assumes that H.R. 1664 will be enacted near the start of fiscal year 2008 and that the necessary amounts will be appropriated over the 2008-2009 period.

H.R. 1664 would authorize grants from NARA to expand the Woodrow Wilson Presidential Library. The legislation would limit the grant to 50 percent of nonfederal funds raised by the library for the new facilities and would be available through 2011. The bill also would prohibit the use of the grant amounts to maintain or operate the library.

According to the library, the estimated cost of the library expansion is about \$50 million, and about \$11 million remains to be raised which would include a federal grant of about \$4 million, mostly for special archival protection of the historical documents. Based on information from the library, CBO expects that construction would begin in 2008, and that the remaining private funds needed to complete construction would be collected soon after the federal grants became available.

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT**

H.R. 1664 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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