

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

March 19, 2007

H.R. 545

Native American Methamphetamine Enforcement and Treatment Act of 2007

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Energy and Commerce on March 15, 2007

H.R. 545 would make U.S. territories and Indian tribes eligible to apply for certain Department of Justice grants to combat the abuse of methamphetamine. Under current law, only states may apply for these grants. CBO estimates that implementing the bill would result in no significant increase in spending for these grant programs. Enacting H.R. 545 would not affect direct spending or receipts.

H.R. 545 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act. The bill would make territories and tribal governments eligible to receive grants through three existing federal programs to combat methamphetamine use. Any costs to those governments would be incurred voluntarily as conditions of receiving federal assistance.

On February 15, 2007, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 545 as ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on February 7, 2007. The two versions of the bill are nearly identical, and the cost estimates are the same.

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