

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

August 7, 2007

S. 722 Walnut Canyon Study Act of 2007

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on July 25, 2007

S. 722 would direct the Department of Interior (DOI) and the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) to conduct a joint study to determine the suitability and feasibility of designating certain land as an addition to Walnut Canyon National Monument or another land management option that would protect resources and public access to such land. Based on information from DOI and USDA, CBO estimates that implementing S. 722 would cost less than \$500,000, subject to the availability of appropriated funds. Enacting the legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues.

S. 722 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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