



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

June 11, 2009

H. Con. Res. 135

Directing the Architect of the Capitol to place a marker in Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center which acknowledges the role that slave labor played in the construction of the United States Capitol, and for other purposes

As ordered reported by the Committee on House Administration on June 10, 2009

H. Con. Res. 135 would direct the Architect of the Capitol (AOC), with the approval of the Committee on House Administration and the Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, to design, procure, and place in a prominent location in Emancipation Hall in the Capitol Visitor Center a marker acknowledging the role that slave labor played in constructing the United States Capitol. Based on information from the AOC, CBO estimates that implementing the legislation would cost less than \$300,000, subject to the availability of appropriated amounts. The legislation would have no effect on direct spending or revenues.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Matthew Pickford. The estimate was approved by Theresa Gullo, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.