



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

October 6, 2009

**H.R. 3537
Junior Duck Stamp Conservation and Design Program
Reauthorization Act of 2009**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources
on September 30, 2009*

H.R. 3537 would authorize appropriations for the junior duck stamp program for fiscal years 2010 through 2015. The proposed authorization level of \$500,000 a year is \$150,000 more than the amount currently authorized for 2010 (after which funding for the program expires). Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts each year (including the additional \$150,000 authorized for 2010), CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 3537 would cost about \$2 million over the 2010-2014 period and \$500,000 in 2015. Currently, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, which administers this program, spends less than \$100,000 a year for this purpose, mostly to conduct the annual competition for the design of junior duck stamps.

The bill 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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