



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

December 15, 2009

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

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works
on December 10, 2009*

H.R. 3537 would authorize the appropriation of \$500,000 for the junior duck stamp program for each of fiscal years 2011 through 2015. Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts each year, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 3537 would cost about \$2 million over the 2011-2014 period and about \$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 legislation 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.

On October 6, 2009, CBO provided a cost estimate for H.R. 3537, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on September 30, 2009. The two pieces of legislation are identical as are the estimated costs.

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