

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

June 28, 2010

H.R. 3923 Sugar Loaf Fire Protection District Land Exchange Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on June 16, 2010

H.R. 3923 would authorize the exchange of approximately five acres of federal land for a similar amount of acreage owned by the Sugar Loaf Fire Protection District of Boulder, Colorado. If the land exchange does not occur within one year, the federal land could be sold to the district and the proceeds could be spent without further appropriation.

Based on information provided by the Forest Service, which administers the federal land to be conveyed, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would have no effect on the federal budget. The federal land could be disposed of (by either of the methods authorized by H.R. 3923) under existing law. Enacting this bill would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

H.R. 3923 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. The land conveyance authorized in the bill would benefit the fire protection district. Any costs to the district would be incurred voluntarily.

On January 21, 2010, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for S. 555, the Sugar Loaf Fire Protection District Land Exchange Act of 2009, as ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on December 16, 2009. S. 555 and H.R. 3923 are nearly identical, and the estimated costs are the same.

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