



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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S. 2872

**A bill to authorize appropriations for the National Historical
Publications and Records Commission through fiscal year 2014,
and for other purposes**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Homeland Security
and Governmental Affairs on December 16, 2009*

SUMMARY

S. 2872 would authorize the appropriation of \$10 million to the National Historical Publications and Records Commission for each of the fiscal years 2010 through 2014. The commission has already received an appropriation of \$13 million for 2010. The legislation also would make technical changes to the Records Center Revolving Fund and the process for receiving grants for establishing databases of local records of servitude, emancipation, and post-Civil War reconstruction.

Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 2872 would cost \$39 million over the 2011-2014 period. The legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues. S. 2872 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

For this estimate, CBO assumes that S. 2872 will be enacted by the middle of fiscal year 2010 and that the amounts authorized will be appropriated for fiscal years 2011 through 2014. CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost \$39 million over the 2011-2014 period. Outlay estimates are based on historical spending patterns. The estimated budgetary impact of S. 2872 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 800 (general government).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars					2010- 2014
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Authorization Level ^a	0	10	10	10	10	40
Estimated Outlays	0	9	10	10	10	39

a. The National Historical Publications and Records Commission received an appropriation of \$13 million for 2010.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

S. 2872 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments

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