



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

February 12, 2014

**H.R. 163
Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore
Conservation and Recreation Act**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources
on January 28, 2014*

H.R. 163 would designate as wilderness about 32,500 acres of the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore in the state of Michigan. The newly designated lands and inland waterways would comprise the Sleeping Bear Dunes Wilderness, a new component of the National Wilderness Preservation System.

Based on information from the National Park Service, CBO estimates that the bill would have no significant impact on the federal budget. More than 30,000 of the affected acres have been managed as wilderness since 1981, and CBO estimates that the potential impact of the designation on public use would be minor. Enacting H.R. 163 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

H.R. 163 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 March 25, 2013, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for S. 23, the Sleeping Bear Dunes National Lakeshore Conservation and Recreation Act, as ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on March 14, 2013. The two pieces of legislation are similar, and the CBO cost estimates are the same.

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