



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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S. 2480

Nevada Native Nations Lands Act

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs on July 30, 2014

S. 2480 would authorize several land conveyances between the federal government, the state of Nevada, and various tribes in Nevada. The bill would make the following conveyances:

- 275 acres of land managed by the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) to Elko County, Nevada,
- 373 acres of land managed by BLM to be held in trust for the benefit of the Te-Moak Tribe of Western Shoshone Indians of Nevada,
- 19,094 acres of land managed by BLM to be held in trust for the benefit of the Fort McDermitt Paiute and Shoshone Tribe,
- 82 acres of land managed by the United States Forest Service to be held in trust for the benefit of the Shoshone Paiute Tribes of the Duck Valley Indian Reservation,
- 941 acres of land managed by BLM to be held in trust for the benefit of the Summit Lake Paiute Tribe,
- 13,434 acres of land managed by BLM to be held in trust for the benefit of the Reno-Sparks Indian Colony, and
- 11,719 acres of land managed by BLM to be held in trust for the benefit of the Pyramid Lake Paiute Tribe.

Based on information provided by the affected agencies, CBO estimates that implementing the legislation would have no significant effect on the federal budget. The affected lands are expected to generate receipts for the federal government from grazing fees and leases under current law. Thus, CBO estimates that conveying those lands would reduce offsetting receipts (which are treated as increases in direct spending); however, we estimate that such losses would be minimal. Because enacting S. 2480 would affect direct spending, pay-as-you-go procedures apply. Enacting S. 2480 would not affect revenues.

S. 2480 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

On August 28, 2014, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 2455, the Nevada Native Nations Lands Act, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on June 19, 2014. The two pieces of legislation are similar and the CBO cost estimates are the same.

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