



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

May 13, 2016

H.R. 1887

A bill to amend certain appropriation acts to repeal the requirement directing the Administrator of General Services to sell federal property and assets that support the operations of the Plum Island Animal Disease Center in Plum Island, New York, and for other purposes

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Homeland Security on April 28, 2016

H.R. 1887 would require the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to prepare a report on options for the disposition of the Plum Island Animal Disease Center, which is operated by the Department of Homeland Security. The bill also would direct the General Services Administration (GSA) to cease its attempts to sell the Plum Island property until after GAO has submitted its report to the Congress.

Based on the costs of similar reports, CBO estimates that it would cost less than \$500,000 over the 2016-2017 period for GAO to prepare the report required by H.R. 1887; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds. Based on information from GSA, we estimate that enacting the bill would not affect the timing of a potential sale of Plum Island.

Pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply because enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues. CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 1887 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2027.

H.R. 1887 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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