



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE**

June 29, 2016

**H.R. 4685  
Tule River Indian Reservation Land Trust, Health,  
and Economic Development Act**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on June 15, 2016*

H.R. 4685 would take into trust, for the benefit of the Tule River Indian Tribe, approximately 34 acres of federal land located in Tulare County, California, that is administered by the United States Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The bill would direct the Secretary of the Interior to consider applications to continue using the land from individuals claiming to have valid existing rights to the lands being taken into trust. H.R. 4685 also would prohibit certain types of gaming on those lands.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 4685 would have no significant effect on the federal budget. We estimate that any change in federal costs to manage lands affected by the bill (which would be subject to appropriation) would be insignificant.

Under current law, CBO expects that the affected lands could generate income from right-of-way permits; thus, CBO estimates that taking those lands into trust could reduce offsetting receipts, which are recorded as reductions in direct spending. Because the bill could increase direct spending, pay-as-you-go procedures apply; however, based on information from BLM detailing the fees collected for rights of way on those lands, CBO estimates that any such effects would be negligible. Enacting H.R. 4685 would not affect revenues.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 4685 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2027.

H.R. 4685 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

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