



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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S. 286

Department of the Interior Tribal Self-Governance Act of 2015

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs on February 4, 2015

S. 286 would amend certain provisions of the Indian Self-Determination and Education Assistance Act related to the Tribal Self-Governance Program. That program authorizes Indian tribes to assume responsibility for certain programs, functions, and services or activities that would otherwise be carried out by the federal government. The bill would amend how contracts are negotiated between the tribes and the Department of the Interior (DOI) and would establish new guidelines for administering the program. Based on information provided by DOI, CBO estimates that implementing the legislation would have no significant effect on the federal budget over the 2015-2020 period. Enacting S. 286 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

S. 286 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

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