



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

January 15, 2016

S. 329

Lower Farmington River and Salmon Brook Wild and Scenic River Act

*As reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
on December 16, 2015*

S. 329 would designate segments of the Lower Farmington Rivers and Salmon Brook in Connecticut as components of the National Wild and Scenic Rivers System. Under the legislation, the National Park Service (NPS) would administer the river segments in partnership with an advisory committee composed of local representatives. Based on the cost of similar management partnerships in the region, CBO estimates that NPS would provide about \$170,000 annually to the advisory committee to manage the river segments. Thus, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost about \$1 million over the 2016-2020 period; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting S. 329 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply. CBO estimates that enacting S. 329 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year period beginning in 2026.

S. 329 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.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Marin Burnett. The estimate was approved by H. Samuel Papenfuss, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.