



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 1345
District of Columbia Hatch Act Reform Act of 2009**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform
on June 4, 2009*

H.R. 1345 would amend the Hatch Act to remove some restrictions on the political activities of District of Columbia government employees. Under current law, such employees are subject to the same restrictions as federal employees under the Hatch Act. The bill would amend federal law to subject District of Columbia government employees to the same Hatch Act restrictions imposed on other employees of state and local governments whose principle employment is connected to an activity financed by funds from the federal government. CBO estimates that implementing the legislation would have no significant impact on the federal budget. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 1345 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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