



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 2093
Clean Coastal Environment and Public Health Act of 2009**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
on June 4, 2009*

SUMMARY

H.R. 2093 would authorize the appropriation of \$40 million a year over the 2010-2014 period for the water quality program that benefits coastal states under the Clean Water Act. Under this program, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) provides grants to state or local governments to support their efforts to monitor the quality of coastal waters and notify the public when beach water does not meet established standards. This legislation also would authorize the appropriation of such sums as may be necessary for EPA to manage the program through 2014.

Assuming the appropriation of the necessary funds, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 2093 would cost \$17 million in 2010 and \$175 million over the 2010-2014 period. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 2093 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 2093 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars					2010-2014
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Administrative Support						
Estimated Authorization Level	1	1	1	1	1	5
Estimated Outlays	1	1	1	1	1	5
Beach Protection Grants						
Authorization Level	40	40	40	40	40	200
Estimated Outlays	16	34	40	40	40	170
Total Proposed Changes						
Estimated Authorization Level	41	41	41	41	41	205
Estimated Outlays	17	35	41	41	41	175

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

For this estimate, CBO assumes that H.R. 2093 will be enacted near the end of fiscal year 2009, that the specified amounts will be appropriated in each year starting in 2010, and that outlays will follow historical spending patterns for the existing program. CBO estimates that implementing this legislation would cost about \$175 million over the next five years, including about \$5 million to administer the grant program.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

H.R. 2093 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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