



## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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### **H.R. 161** **Bainbridge Island Japanese American Monument Act of 2007**

*As passed by the House of Representatives on February 6, 2007*

H.R. 161 would adjust the boundary of the Minidoka Internment National Monument in Idaho to include the Nidoto Nai Yoni memorial, an eight-acre site on Bainbridge Island, Washington. CBO estimates that implementing this legislation would cost about \$1.5 million over the next five years, assuming the availability of appropriated funds. Enacting H.R. 161 would have no effect on revenues or direct spending.

The bill 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 city of Bainbridge Island would benefit from the federal assistance authorized by this legislation, and any costs incurred by the city or by other public agencies to match these federal funds would be incurred voluntarily.

Under H.R. 161, the Nidoto Nai Yoni memorial would be administered by the National Park Service (NPS) as part of the Minidoka unit but would continue to be owned and operated by the city of Bainbridge Island. The act would authorize the NPS to make grants to the city and other nonfederal entities for the development of administrative and interpretive facilities. Finally, the act would authorize the agency to assist the city in operating the memorial.

Based on information provided by the NPS and assuming the availability of appropriated funds, CBO estimates that the agency would spend about \$500,000 over the next year or two to finance about half of the cost of facility construction at the memorial. We estimate that the agency would spend an additional \$200,000 annually for additional park staff and other operating costs at the memorial and at nearby NPS facilities beginning in 2008.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Deborah Reis. This estimate was approved by Peter H. Fontaine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.