

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

June 6, 2018

H.R. 2897

An act to authorize the Mayor of the District of Columbia and the Secretary of the Interior to enter into cooperative management agreements

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on May 17, 2018

H.R. 2897 would authorize the District of Columbia to enter into cooperative management agreements (CMAs) with the National Parks Service (NPS) to operate and maintain NPS parks located within its borders. The NPS uses CMAs to establish cooperative practices, to address the use of shared resources that touch both NPS and state or local lands, and to transfer funds to perform work on such resources. Under current law, state and local governments can enter into CMAs with the NPS. The act would clarify that the District of Columbia may also enter into such agreements.

CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 2897 would result in no significant cost to the federal government. According to the NPS, any maintenance or repair project affected by a CMA would generally be completed by the NPS whether or not such an agreement is in place.

Enacting H.R. 2897 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-yougo procedures do not apply.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 2897 would not increase net direct spending or onbudget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2029.

H.R. 2897 contains no intergovernmental or private sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

On August 16, 2017, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 2897, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform on July 19, 2017. On October 17, 2017, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 2897, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on October 4, 2017. All of the versions of the legislation are similar, and CBO's estimates of the budgetary effects are the same.

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