

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

April 10, 2017

H.R. 560

An act to amend the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area Improvement Act to provide access to certain vehicles serving residents of municipalities adjacent to the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area, and for other purposes

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on March 30, 2017

H.R. 560 would permit certain commercial vehicles to pass through the Delaware Water Gap National Recreation Area and allow the Department of Interior (DOI) to collect an annual fee of up to \$200 from the users of those vehicles until September 30, 2021. The National Park Service (NPS) would be authorized to spend the fees collected to offset the cost of operating the program.

Pay-as-you-go procedures apply because the legislation would increase offsetting receipts (which are treated as reductions in direct spending) and the associated direct spending. However, based on information from the NPS, CBO estimates that the net effect on direct spending would be negligible. Enacting the bill would not affect revenues.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 560 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

H.R. 560 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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