



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE

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**S. 459**

**A bill to designate the area between the intersections of Wisconsin Avenue, Northwest and Davis Street, Northwest and Wisconsin Avenue, Northwest and Edmunds Street, Northwest in Washington, District of Columbia, as “Boris Nemtsov Plaza”, and for other purposes**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Homeland Security  
and Governmental Affairs on May 17, 2017*

S. 459 would designate the address of the Embassy of the Russian Federation at 2650 Wisconsin Avenue, Northwest in the District of Columbia as “1 Boris Nemtsov Plaza”. The bill also would authorize the General Services Administration (GSA) to post signs indicating the new address on streets near the new address.

Based on information from GSA and the costs for similar tasks, CBO estimates that placing signs around the new address would cost less than \$500,000; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply. CBO estimates that enacting S. 459 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

S. 459 would impose an intergovernmental mandate as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) by changing the address name of a property in Washington, D.C. and effectively preempting the authority of the District of Columbia to name its own street in this case. CBO estimates that any costs incurred by the government of the District of Columbia as a result of renaming the street would be negligible.

S. 459 contains no private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA.

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