



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

August 10, 2018

H.R. 597 **Lytton Rancheria Homelands Act of 2017**

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs on July 11, 2018

H.R. 597 would take into trust, for the benefit of the Lytton Rancheria of California, a federally recognized Indian tribe, certain lands located in the County of Sonoma, California. The bill would specify certain prohibitions on gaming on the affected land, consistent with an existing memorandum of understanding between the tribe and the County of Sonoma.

Using information from the Bureau of Indian Affairs, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 597 would have no significant effect on the federal budget. CBO estimates that any change in the agency's administrative costs under the bill, which would be subject to appropriation, would not exceed \$500,000 annually.

Enacting H.R. 597 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply. CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 597 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

H.R. 597 would impose an intergovernmental mandate as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) by preempting the authority of state and local governments to tax land taken into trust for the Lytton Rancheria. CBO estimates the costs of the mandate would be well below the threshold established in UMRA (\$80 million in 2018, adjusted annually for inflation).

H.R. 597 contains no private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA.

On July 5, 2017, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 597, the Lytton Rancheria Homelands Act of 2017, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on June 27, 2018. The two versions H.R. 597 are similar and CBO's estimates of their costs are the same.

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