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COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 2897

A bill to authorize the Mayor of the District of Columbia and the Director of the National Park Service to enter into cooperative management agreements for the operation, maintenance, and management of units of the National Park System in the District of Columbia, and for other purposes

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform
on July 19, 2017*

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 bill 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-you-go procedures do not apply.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 2897 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

H.R. 2897 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.

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