



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE

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**H.R. 66**  
**Route 66 Centennial Commission Act**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure  
on June 27, 2018*

H.R. 66 would establish a commission to study activities to commemorate the centennial anniversary of Route 66 and to hold a conference on the U.S. highway system. The commission would consist of 19 members, who would serve without pay but would be reimbursed for travel expenses. The bill would authorize the commission to hold hearings, hire staff, and collect information from federal agencies. The commission would submit a final report to the Congress within five years and would terminate by June 30, 2027. In addition, the Department of Transportation would prepare a report on measures needed to preserve Route 66.

Based on the cost of similar commissions and reports, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost about \$3 million over the 2019-2023 period mostly for staff. Such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting H.R. 66 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 66 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2029.

H.R. 66 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

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