

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

September 27, 1999

S. 1324

A bill to expand the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Wills House

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on September 22, 1999

Assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S.1324 would cost the federal government about \$4 million over the 2000-2004 period. The bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. S. 1324 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would have no significant impact on the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

S. 1324 would expand the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park in Pennsylvania to include the Wills House, a building located outside of the park in the borough of Gettysburg.

Based on information provided by the National Park Service (NPS) and assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts, CBO estimates that the federal government would spend about \$3 million over the next three or four years to acquire and renovate the Wills House and to develop appropriate interpretive exhibits. In addition, the NPS would spend between \$100,000 and \$400,000 annually beginning in fiscal year 2000 to operate the site. Operating expenses after fiscal year 2004 would be about \$400,000 annually.

On September 10, 1999, CBO prepared a cost estimate for H.R. 2435, a bill to expand the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Wills House. H.R. 2435 was ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on August 4, 1999. The two bills, and the two estimates, are identical.

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