

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

October 13, 1999

A bill to amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to provide that certain species conservation reports shall continue to be required to be submitted

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works on September 29, 1999

This bill would amend the Endangered Species Act to require the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to continue to prepare annual reports to the Congress on the federal and state costs to implement that act. The requirement to submit these reports would otherwise end on December 21, 1999 under the Federal Reports Elimination and Sunset Act of 1995. CBO estimates that enacting this legislation would have no significant impact on federal spending because these reports are fully computerized and not difficult to produce. The bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. This bill contains no intergovernmental mandates or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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