



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 136

A bill to amend the National Parks and Recreation Act of 1978 to designate the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Wilderness and to amend the Everglades National Park Protection and Expansion Act of 1989 to designate the Ernest F. Coe Visitor Center

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on September 10, 1997

H.R. 136 would redesignate the Everglades Wilderness in Florida as the Marjory Stoneman Douglas Wilderness. The Secretary of the Interior would be required to notify the public of the change by creating or modifying signs, maps, and other materials. The legislation also would name the new visitor facility at the Everglades National Park the Ernest F. Coe Visitor Center.

CBO estimates that the cost to the federal government of implementing H.R. 136—primarily by revising existing signs and other materials—would be negligible. The legislation would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. H.R. 136 contains no private-sector or intergovernmental mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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