## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE PAY-AS-YOU-GO ESTIMATE

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## H.R. 4248

## **Migratory Bird Hunting and Conservation Stamp Promotion Act**

As cleared by the Congress on October 6, 1998

H.R. 4248 would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to use a portion of annual revenues derived from the sale of federal duck stamps for marketing purposes. Specifically, the act would allow the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service to use up to \$1 million of such revenues each year through 2003 for the purpose of promoting the stamps, which are a form of hunting permit. Under existing law, all of the revenues earned from duck stamps each year (net of sales costs) are deposited in the migratory bird conservation fund, from which they are available without further appropriation to acquire and protect wetlands.

Enacting H.R. 4248 could affect direct spending by changing the timing of some expenditures from the migratory bird conservation fund. As a result of these effects, pay-as-you-go procedures would apply, but CBO estimates that all changes would be small and would offset each other over time.

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