

## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 9, 2013

## H.R. 931

A bill to provide for the addition of certain real property to the reservation of the Siletz Tribe in the state of Oregon

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on June 12, 2013

H.R. 931 would modify how the Secretary of the Interior evaluates land to be taken into trust for the Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians of Oregon. Under current law, the Department of the Interior has two separate processes for evaluating potential trust land depending on whether the land is located within or outside of the recognized boundaries of the reservation. If the land is located outside of the recognized boundaries, the process requires greater scrutiny. The bill would require the Secretary to consider certain property that is considered "off-reservation" under current law as "on-reservation." Under the legislation, all property taken into trust would be considered part of the reservation.

Based on information provided by the Department of the Interior, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 931 would have no significant impact on the federal budget because the cost of processing trust land applications and the cost of administering the tribes' trust lands would not change significantly. Enacting H.R. 931 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

H.R. 931 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

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