

**S. 608, Deerfield River Wild and Scenic River Study Act of 2023**

As order reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on September 21, 2023

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2024	2024-2028	2024-2033
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	*	*	not estimated
Increases <i>net direct spending</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2034?	No	Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	No
		<b>Mandate Effects</b>	
Increases <i>on-budget deficits</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2034?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No
* = between zero and \$500,000.			

S. 608 would direct the Department of the Interior (DOI) to study the Deerfield River in Massachusetts and Vermont for potential addition to the national wild and scenic rivers system. The study would encompass the entire river, including its major tributaries and the North, South, East, and West Branches. Under the bill, DOI would be required to complete the study and report to the Congress on its findings within three years of enactment.

Based on the costs of similar studies, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost less than \$500,000 over the 2024-2028 period; any spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

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