

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

May 21, 2018

H.R. 1791 Mountains to Sound Greenway National Heritage Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on May 8, 2018

H.R. 1791 would establish the Mountains to Sound Greenway National Heritage Area (NHA) in King and Kittitas Counties, Washington. The bill would direct the National Park Service (NPS) to provide assistance to local partners and designate a local coordinating entity that would develop a management plan for the Mountains to Sound Greenway NHA.

The NPS provides technical and financial assistance to NHAs through the Heritage Partnership Program. According to the NPS, under that program the agency typically awards \$150,000 annually to newly established NHAs. Based on the experience of other NHAs, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1791 would cost about \$1 million over the 2019-2023 period; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting H.R. 1791 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 1791 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2029.

H.R. 1791 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

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