

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

November 19, 2018

H.R. 3593 Securing Our Borders and Wilderness Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on November 15, 2018

H.R. 3593 would authorize Customs and Border Protection to conduct certain activities in designated wilderness areas along the international land border that are managed by the Department of the Interior and the Forest Service. Under current law, the three agencies coordinate such activities through a memorandum of understanding. The bill might change the timing of CBP activities in those areas, but CBO does not expect it would significantly change CBP's operations. Accordingly, we estimate that implementing the bill would have no significant costs.

Enacting H.R. 3593 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 3593 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2029.

H.R. 3593 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

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