



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

November 19, 2018

H.R. 6602 **A bill to reauthorize the New Jersey Coastal Heritage Trail Route, and for other purposes**

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

H.R. 6602 would authorize the National Park Service (NPS) to co-manage the New Jersey Coastal Heritage Trail Route and provide technical assistance to state and local partners through 2025.

The NPS's previous authority to co-manage the route and provide assistance expired in 2011. Based on the previous costs for those activities, CBO estimates that the agency would spend about \$400,000 annually under the bill for two full-time employees, one part-time employee, and materials and signage. H.R. 6602 also would direct the NPS to develop a strategic plan for the route. Based on the costs of similar tasks, CBO estimates completing that plan would cost less than \$500,000. In total, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost about \$2 million over the 2019-2023 period; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting H.R. 6602 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 6602 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2029.

H.R. 6602 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

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