

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 6507 Oil Region National Heritage Area Reauthorization Act

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

H.R. 6507 would authorize the National Park Service (NPS) to provide technical and financial assistance for the Oil Region National Heritage Area, located in northwestern Pennsylvania, through 2026. Under current law, the NPS's authority to provide such assistance expires in 2020.

In recent years, the NPS has allocated about \$19 million annually in appropriated funds to provide financial assistance to 49 national heritage areas. Based on the average amount of assistance for those areas, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost \$400,000 annually and would total about \$1 million over the 2021-2023 period; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting H.R. 6507 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 6507 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2029.

H.R. 6507 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

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