

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

April 7, 2009

H.R. 24

A bill to redesignate the Department of the Navy as the Department of the Navy and Marine Corps

As introduced in the House of Representatives on January 6, 2009

H.R. 24 would change the official title of the Department of the Navy to the Department of the Navy and Marine Corps, and would change the titles of certain offices, such as the Secretary of the Navy, in a corresponding manner.

CBO anticipates that the bill would have very little effect on most U.S. Naval or Marine Corps installations since signage, service flags, and other items bearing the emblems or names of the Navy or Marine Corps generally do not reference the Department of Navy and would not need to be replaced. In addition, since the commanding officers of U.S. military installations change on a relatively frequent and routine basis, the budgetary impact of the bill would be small if purchasing of materials, such as stationery, were coordinated with scheduled changes of command. CBO anticipates that the cost of implementing this bill would be less than \$500,000 a year over the next several years from appropriated funds. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined by the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments or the private sector.

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