

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

December 15, 2009

S. 1965

Feral Swine Eradication and Control Pilot Program Act of 2009

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works on December 10, 2009

S. 1965 would authorize the appropriation of \$1 million in each of fiscal years 2011 through 2013 for the Department of the Interior (DOI) to study and develop methods to control and eradicate feral swine in Louisiana and to restore wetlands damaged by such animals. The federal government would pay 75 percent of the costs related to a pilot study, the development of methods to eradicate or control feral swine, and the restoration of damaged wetlands in the state. Assuming appropriation of the specified amounts, CBO estimates that financial assistance to the state of Louisiana under the bill would cost \$3 million over the 2011-2014 period. Enacting this legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues.

S. 1965 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. Louisiana would benefit from the program authorized in the bill. Any costs to the state would be incurred voluntarily as a condition of receiving federal assistance.

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