

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 4395

A bill to revise the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park to include the Gettysburg Train Station

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on February 24, 2010

H.R. 4395 would expand the boundaries of the Gettysburg National Military Park in Pennsylvania to include two nearby properties. CBO expects that the National Park Service (NPS), which administers the park, would probably purchase a small parcel of land containing the newly refurbished Gettysburg Train Station and would accept (from the Gettysburg Foundation) the donation of a 45-acre tract of land along Plum Run in Cumberland Township.

Based on information provided by NPS, we estimate that implementing H.R. 4395 would cost about \$1 million over the next year or two, assuming the availability of appropriated funds, to purchase the train station and conduct minor development projects at the added sites. We estimate that annual costs to operate and maintain the new properties after that time would be minimal because the train station would continue to be operated by local or nonprofit organizations, and the Plum Run acreage would be left undeveloped. Enacting H.R. 4395 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

The bill 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. If enacted, the bill would benefit the Borough of Gettysburg, Pennsylvania.

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