

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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S. 2739 Puget Sound Recovery Act of 2010

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works on June 30, 2010

SUMMARY

S. 2739 would authorize the appropriation of \$90 million annually over the 2011-2015 period for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to support activities related to implementing the comprehensive conservation and management plan for the Puget Sound, including providing grants to the Puget Sound tribes, state agencies, local governments, or nonprofit organizations.

Assuming appropriation of the authorized funds, CBO estimates that implementing S. 2739 would cost \$388 million over the 2011-2015 period and \$62 million after 2015.

Pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply to this legislation because it would not affect direct spending or revenues.

S. 2739 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of S. 2739 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment).

		By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011- 2015
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Authorization Level Estimated Outlays	90 41	90 77	90 90	90 90	90 90	450 388

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

For this estimate, CBO assumes that S. 2739 will be enacted near the beginning of fiscal year 2011 and that authorized amounts will be appropriated in each year. Estimated outlays are based on historical spending patterns for similar programs.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

S. 2739 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. State and tribal governments would benefit from grants authorized by the bill.

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