



## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 28, 2010

### **S. 3466** **Environmental Crimes Enforcement Act of 2010**

*As reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on June 24, 2010*

S. 3466 would require federal courts to order mandatory restitution by defendants convicted of certain crimes under the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, such as negligent polluting of a sewer system. Payments of restitution would be made to persons directly harmed as a result of the offense.

Any restitution paid to the federal government as a result of such cases would be deposited as miscellaneous receipts into the Treasury. Because the bill could increase revenues, pay-as-you-go procedures would apply. However, CBO estimates that any such payment would not be significant because of the small number of cases likely to be affected. The legislation would not affect direct spending.

S. 3466 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.

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