



## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

August 12, 2010

### **S. 1117** **Upper Connecticut River Partnership Act**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
on August 5, 2010*

S. 1117 would establish the Connecticut River Grants and Technical Assistance Program to help New Hampshire and Vermont manage the upper Connecticut River watershed. For that purpose, the bill would authorize the appropriation of \$10 million, up to \$1 million annually. Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 1117 would cost the National Park Service, which would manage the program, \$5 million over the 2011-2015 period and \$5 million after 2015. Enacting the legislation would not affect revenues or direct spending; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

S. 1117 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. The states of New Hampshire and Vermont and local governments in those states would benefit from assistance authorized in the bill. Any costs to those governments would be incurred voluntarily as a condition of receiving federal assistance.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Deborah Reis. The estimate was approved by Theresa Gullo, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.