



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 3176

A bill to direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study to determine ways of restoring the natural wetlands conditions in the Kealia Pond National Wildlife Refuge, Hawaii

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on May 24, 2000

H.R. 3176 would require the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) to study ways of restoring the natural conditions of Kealia Pond, a national wildlife refuge in Hawaii. The bill would authorize the appropriation of \$250,000 for the study, which would have to be completed within one year of funding.

Assuming appropriation of the authorized amount, CBO estimates that the USFWS would spend \$250,000 in fiscal year 2001 to complete the required study and report its findings. H.R. 3176 would not affect direct spending or receipts; 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 not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

The CBO staff contact is Deborah Reis. This estimate was approved by Peter H. Fontaine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.