



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

September 26, 2000

H.R. 1235

An act to authorize the Secretary of the Interior to enter into contracts with the Solano County Water Agency, California, to use Solano Project facilities for impounding, storage, and carriage of nonproject water for domestic, municipal, industrial, and other beneficial purposes

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on
September 20, 2000*

CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1235 would not have a significant impact on the federal budget. According to the Bureau of Reclamation, the authority that would be granted by H.R. 1235 would be used for transporting water to the city of Vallejo from an existing storage facility. CBO estimates that this action would increase the cost of operating and maintaining the project by less than \$50,000 a year beginning in fiscal year 2001. These amounts would be subject to appropriation and would be reimbursed by the municipality in the year the costs are incurred. Payments from the city would be deposited in the Treasury as offsetting receipts (a credit against direct spending). CBO estimates that these receipts would be less than \$50,000 a year. Because the legislation would affect direct spending, pay-as-you-go procedures would apply.

H.R. 1235 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.

On October 29, 1999, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 1235, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on October 27, 1999. The two versions of the legislation are identical, as are our cost estimates.

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