

## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

October 7, 2002

## S. 1451

## A bill to provide for the conveyance of certain public land in Clark County, Nevada, for use as a shooting range

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on October 3, 2002

CBO estimates that implementing S. 1451 would cost \$100,000 in 2003, assuming the availability of appropriated funds. The bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

S. 1451 would direct the Secretary of the Interior to convey to Clark County, Nevada, without consideration, 2,880 acres of federal lands located within that county for use as a public shooting range. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) currently manages those lands as a wilderness study area. Based on information from the agency, CBO estimates that the agency's administrative costs to complete the proposed conveyance would total less than \$100,000 in fiscal year 2003. According to BLM, the lands to be conveyed currently generate no offsetting receipts (a credit against direct spending), and the agency does not expect the lands to generate any receipts over the next 10 years. Hence, we estimate that conveying them would not affect direct spending.

S. 1451 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. Enacting this legislation would benefit Clark County by providing for the conveyance of federal land to the county for no consideration.

On March 27, 2002, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 2937, similar legislation, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on March 20, 2002. Because H.R. 2937 would require Clark County to pay the administrative costs of the proposed conveyance, our estimate of federal spending under that legislation is less than under S. 1451.

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