



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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S. 1665 **Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Act** **Amendments of 1998**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources
on July 29, 1998*

SUMMARY

S. 1665 would extend for an additional 10 years the life of the Delaware and Lehigh Navigation Canal National Heritage Corridor Commission (and would rename it the Delaware and Lehigh National Heritage Corridor Commission). The commission, which coordinates federal, state, and local projects within the heritage corridor and advises the National Park Service (NPS), would otherwise expire at the end of fiscal year 1998. The bill would authorize the appropriation of \$650,000 annually for the commission's operating expenses and \$1 million annually through fiscal year 2007 for its expenses to implement a management action plan. Other provisions of the bill would have no impact on the federal budget.

S. 1665 would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. S. 1665 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost \$1.65 million in fiscal year 1999 and a total of about \$8 million over the 1999-2003 period. The annual payment to the commission would be about \$1.3 million greater than the amount appropriated for fiscal year 1998. The estimated budgetary impact of S. 1665 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment).

| | By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars | | | | | |
|------|--|------|------|------|------|--|
| 1998 | 1999 | 2000 | 2001 | 2002 | 2003 | |

SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION

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| Spending Under Current Law | | | | | | |
| Budget Authority ^a | a | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Estimated Outlays | a | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Proposed Changes | | | | | | |
| Authorization Level | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Estimated Outlays | 0 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Spending Under S. 1665 | | | | | | |
| Authorization Level ^a | a | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |
| Estimated Outlays | a | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 2 |

a. In fiscal year 1998, \$350,000 was appropriated for the Delaware and Lehigh Navigation Canal National Heritage Corridor Commission.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

S. 1665 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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