

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

August 12, 2002

S. 2388 Beaufort, South Carolina Study Act of 2002

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on July 31, 2002

S. 2388 would direct the Secretary of the Interior to conduct a study of Beaufort County, South Carolina, to determine whether historical sites within it are suitable and feasible for inclusion in the National Park System. The bill also would direct the Secretary to conduct a national historic landmark study to identify sites in the United States that are significant to the Reconstruction Era. S. 2388 would authorize the appropriation of whatever amounts are necessary for the two studies and require the Secretary to report findings and recommendations to the Congress within three years of receiving funds.

Assuming the availability of appropriated funds, CBO estimates that it would cost about \$300,000 over the next three years to complete the required studies and report. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

S. 2388 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.

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