



## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 16, 2004

### **S. 2511**

### **Chimayo Water Supply System and Española Filtration Facility Act of 2004**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources  
on July 14, 2004*

#### **SUMMARY**

S. 2511 would authorize the appropriation of \$2 million over the 2005-2008 period for a water supply feasibility study for the town of Chimayo, New Mexico. The bill also would authorize the appropriation of \$3 million over the 2005-2010 period for emergency water supply development assistance in the town of Chimayo and the Santa Cruz River Valley. For both the study and the development assistance, the bill would authorize the Secretary of the Interior to pay 75 percent of the total project costs. Finally, S. 2511 would authorize the appropriation of \$3 million over the 2005-2009 period for a new water filtration facility in the city of Espanola, New Mexico. This bill would limit the federal share of the cost of constructing this facility to 25 percent.

Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost \$8 million over the 2005-2009 period. Enacting S. 2511 would not affect direct spending or revenues.

S. 2511 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA). The communities participating in the feasibility study and the water filtration project would incur costs as a result of matching requirements in the bill, but those costs would be incurred voluntarily. Those communities would benefit from the bill's enactment.

#### **ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT**

The estimated budgetary impact of S. 2511 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and environment). For this

estimate, CBO assumes that S. 2511 will be enacted near the end of 2004. Based on historical spending patterns of similar projects, CBO estimates that implementing this bill would cost \$8 million over the 2005-2009 period.

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	By Fiscal Year, In Millions of Dollars				
	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009
<b>CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION</b>					
Estimated Authorization Level	2	2	2	1	1
Estimated Outlays	1	2	2	2	1

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**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT**

S. 2511 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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