

S. 2216, Montana Sportsmen Conservation Act

As reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on January 9, 2024

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2024	2024-2029	2024-2034
Direct Spending (Outlays)	*	*	*
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	*	*	*
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	*	*	not estimated
Increases <i>net direct spending</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2035?	No	Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	Yes
		Mandate Effects	
Increases <i>on-budget deficits</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2035?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No
* = between -\$500,000 and \$500,000.			

S. 2216 would direct the Bureau of Land Management and the Forest Service to modify the land management of three wilderness study areas: the Middle Fork Judith, Hoodoo Mountain, and Wales Creek Wilderness Study Areas in Montana. The bill would release the parcels from their current status as wilderness study areas and require the agencies to manage those areas under different management plans.

Under those alternate management plans, the agencies could approve additional recreational and grazing activities on the land. The fees collected for those activities are recorded on the budget as offsetting receipts (or reductions in direct spending). Using information from the agencies, CBO estimates that any increase in receipts would be insignificant over the 2024-2034 period.

CBO also estimates that the administrative costs to implement the bill would be insignificant over the 2024-2029 period. That spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

See also

[CBO's Cost Estimates Explained](#), [CBO Describes Its Cost-Estimating Process](#), [Glossary](#)



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