

Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins—As ordered reported by the House Committee on Resources on September 12, 2002

Summary.—H.R. 5099 would amend the current authorization of appropriations for implementing endangered fish recovery programs in the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins. That authority will expire in fiscal year 2005 for the Upper Colorado program and in fiscal year 2007 for the San Juan program. H.R. 5099 would extend the authorization for both programs until 2008.

CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 5509 would have no significant net impact on the federal budget. We estimate that the bill would reduce direct spending by about \$5 million over the 2003–2005 period and increase it by the same amount over the 2006–2008 period, because enacting H.R. 5099 would affect direct spending, pay-as-you-go procedures would apply. H.R. 5099 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.—The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 5099 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—					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Changes in direct spending					
Estimated Budget Authority .....	–2	(1)	–3	(1)	2

Intergovernmental and private-sector impact.—H.R. 5099 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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Estimate approved by.—Peter H. Fontaine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.

PERSONAL EXPLANATION

HON. JIM McDERMOTT

OF WASHINGTON

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 2002

Mr. McDERMOTT. Mr. Speaker, I missed some votes because I was traveling. I left for Iraq yesterday to get a better understanding of how a preemptive US military strike against Iraq will affect the Iraqi people.

Had I been able to, I would have voted: No on H. Res. 547 (Rollcall vote #413); no on H. Res. 540 (Rollcall vote #414); no on H. Res. 544 (Rollcall vote #415).

By fiscal year, in millions of dollars—					
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007
Estimated Outlays .....	–2	(1)	–3	(1)	2
Spending subject to appropriation					
Spending Under Current Law:					
Estimated Authorization Level <sup>2</sup> .....	6	6	6	0	0
Estimated Outlays .....	4	5	5	2	2
Proposed Changes:					
Estimated Authorization Level .....	0	0	0	0	0
Estimated Outlays .....	–1	–2	–2	1	1
Spending Under H.R. 5099:					
Estimated Authorization Level <sup>2</sup> .....	6	6	6	0	0
Estimated Outlays .....	3	3	3	3	3

<sup>1</sup> Less than \$500,000.

<sup>2</sup> The estimated authorization levels reflect the current balance of authorized funding for the Bureau of Reclamation to carry out fish recovery programs in the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins. For this estimate, CBO assumes that the remaining \$18 million to be appropriated for these programs will be provided in equal increments over the next three years.

Basis of estimate.—H.R. 5099 would extend current authority to implement fish recovery programs in the Upper Colorado and San Juan River Basins until 2008. For this estimate, CBO assumes that H.R. 5099 will be enacted near the start of fiscal year 2003 and that funds already authorized for the two fish recovery programs will be appropriated over the next three years.

Direct Spending.—The net effect of H.R. 5099 on direct spending would be insignificant. Under current law, the Western Area Power Administration (WAPA) is authorized to pay for its share of the fish recovery programs by borrowing up to \$17 million from the Colorado Water Conservation Board Con-

struction Fund (a fund of the state government). To date, WAPA has borrowed \$5.5 million from that fund. WAPA expects to pay for its remaining costs of \$11.5 million either through borrowing from the state or by spending receipts generated from the sale of electricity. This bill would modify the expected timing of that future spending.

Under this bill, CBO estimates that WAPA's would delay spending about \$5 million over fiscal years 2003 through 2005, but this near-term cash savings would be offset by an increase in spending of an equal amount over fiscal years 2006 through 2008.

Spending Subject to Appropriation.—The net effect of H.R. 5099 on spending also would be insignificant. Under current law, \$46 million is authorized to be appropriated to the Bureau of Reclamation for its share of the fish recovery programs. To date, the bureau has spent \$28 million on these programs. Assuming appropriation of the remaining \$18 million, CBO estimates that there would be a delay in spending of about \$5 million over fiscal years 2003 through 2005, but this near-term cash savings would be offset by an increase in spending of an equal amount over fiscal years 2006 through 2008.

Pay-as-you-go considerations.—The Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act sets up pay-as-you-go procedures for legislation affecting direct spending or receipts. The net changes in outlays that are subject to pay-as-you-go procedures are shown in the following table. For the purposes of enforcing pay-as-you-go procedures, only the effects through fiscal year 2006 are counted.

By fiscal year, in millions of dollars—												
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
Changes in outlays .....	0	–2	0	–3	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	
Changes in receipts .....	Not applicable											

HONORING JOHN J. BIONDI

HON. STEVEN R. ROTHMAN

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 2002

Mr. ROTHMAN. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to pay tribute to a man who has spent his entire career dedicated to improving the education of our children, particularly those in New Jersey. As a key figure at the New Jersey Education Association, Mr. John J. Biondi demonstrated the type of leadership this country needs to advance its educational system so that students receive the education they deserve and need to compete in the twenty-first century global economy.

Born and raised in New Jersey, Mr. Biondi is a product of the Garden State's school system, where as a teacher he became a part of the school system as well. For 31 years, Mr. Biondi has served as a member of the New Jersey Education Association where his colleagues described him in every positive way possible. Whether it was from the integrity and responsibility he brought to the job each and everyday or his resourcefulness and creativity that helped him meet the changing needs of his organization, John Biondi's presence at the New Jersey Education Association, helped lead that group forward as it advanced its goals of improving the education system throughout the state.

This month, John Biondi is retiring from the New Jersey Education Association. In honor of

his outstanding efforts, the Educational Community of Bergen County has proclaimed the Twenty-Ninth of September to be "John Biondi Day." I join my friends in the education community in saluting this incredible man whose commitment to an improved education system has proved invaluable for countless New Jersey students.

TRIBUTE TO REVEREND WILLIAM HALL HARTER

HON. BILL SHUSTER

OF PENNSYLVANIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Thursday, September 26, 2002

Mr. SHUSTER. Mr. Speaker, I rise today to extend my thanks to Reverend William Hall Harter for his faithful and diligent service to his community. Reverend Harter became the minister to the Presbyterian Church of Falling Spring in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania in 1977, and 25 years later, continues to be an exemplary spiritual leader. He began his career of service as a tutor and adjunct lecturer in the New Testament at the Union Theological Seminary, during which time he also served as the minister at the Margaretville and New Kingston United Presbyterian Churches in the Catskill Mountains of New York. After serving in New York for approximately 10 years, Reverend Harter, his wife Linda, and their children moved to the Chambersburg area where he continued to minister and give

of his own time to contribute to the betterment of the local community.

In addition to serving as minister to the Falling Spring congregation, Reverend Harter is very involved with numerous community projects and endeavors. Like so many spiritual leaders in communities around the country, Reverend Harter had known the value of faith-based community action programs long before they became a topic of national debate. President George W. Bush is also a great supporter of faith-based programs and has praised their effectiveness because he knows how beneficial they can be to people in all regions of the country. In his own community, Reverend Harter has been instrumental in establishing programs that make a marked improvement in the lives of community residents and provide an atmosphere that allows for their spiritual and personal growth. Some examples of these programs are: Franklin County for the Homeless, Committee for Annual Holocaust Memorial Service, Community Worship Committee, Committee for Annual Martin Luther King, Jr. Memorial Service, Building Our Pride in Chambersburg, Inc., Carlisle Presbytery Camps and Conference Committee, and the Chambersburg Ministerium.

I would like to commend Reverend William Hall Harter again for his contributions and thank him for his first 25 years of service at the Presbyterian Church of Falling Spring in Chambersburg, Pennsylvania. I wish him all the best as he continues to better his community through his ministry and involvement with so many worthy organizations.

A PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING  
ERIC J. ROUSE

**HON. ROBERT W. NEY**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
*Thursday, September 26, 2002*

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, whereas, Eric Rouse is a professional teacher of American history and social studies at Swiss Hills Career Center; and

Whereas, Eric Rouse has been awarded a James Madison Fellowship by the James Madison Fellowship Foundation in its tenth annual competition; and

Whereas, Eric Rouse should be commended for reaching this milestone;

Therefore, I join with the residents of the entire 18th Congressional District of Ohio in honoring and congratulating Eric Rouse for his outstanding accomplishment.

TRIBUTE TO JIM LLOYD

**HON. DAVID DREIER**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
*Thursday, September 26, 2002*

Mr. DREIER. Mr. Speaker, I want to take this opportunity to extend warmest 80th birthday wishes to our former colleague and good friend from West Covina, California, Jim Lloyd.

Jim was first elected to Congress in 1974 and served until 1981, representing the people of the San Gabriel Valley with distinction. And while many of us remember his tenure on the Armed Services Committee and Science and

Technology Committee, where he served as Chairman of the Investigation and Oversight Subcommittee, Jim Lloyd came to the House with an already distinguished record of public service.

From 1942 to 1963, Jim served as an officer in the United States Navy, flying combat missions during World War II and, at the onset of the Cold War, completed his last duty assignment at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, during the Bay of Pigs and Cuban Missile Crisis. The flying and the excitement had only just begun.

Stateside, Jim owned and operated a small public relations and advertising firm with his beautiful wife, Jackie, in West Covina. He also caught the political bug, ably serving on the West Covina City Council from 1968 to 1974, and as Mayor from 1973 to 1974. In 1974, Jim was elected to the United States House of Representatives, where he served for three terms. And he kept on flying, receiving his helicopter rating and fixed wing license.

Since leaving the House, Jim has served as a consultant for a number of local, national, and international clients. But, most of all, he has maintained his love for flying, logging in over 14,000 hours in approximately 150 different types of aircraft ranging from the single engine Cessna Citation, to the F-18 and F-16 fighter aircraft, to the 747 jumbo jet, and also flying with the British, French, and Israeli Air Forces. Today, Jim owns a Piper Comanche and is still regularly in the air.

I am proud to call Jim Lloyd a friend, and invite my colleagues to join me, his wife Jackie, son Brian Patrick, and grandsons Cameron Scott and Seth James, in saluting him on the happy occasion of his 80th birthday and wishing him many more years in the wild blue yonder.

TRIBUTE TO TOM CASTRONOVA

**HON. MICHAEL FERGUSON**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
*Thursday, September 26, 2002*

Mr. FERGUSON. Mr. Speaker, I ask unanimous consent to revise and extend my remarks.

Mr. Speaker, I rise today to honor Tom Castronova, who has been operating his pharmacy, serving the community of Warren, New Jersey, since 1962.

Tonight, with the community leaders from Warren attending, Tom Castronova will be honored for 40 years of service to the community of Warren.

So I stand before you today to honor a man who embodies the American spirit. He is a small businessman, a family businessman, a man who followed his father into the pharmacy business.

He has lived and worked through many changes—changes in the healthcare industry—and changes in the growth of New Jersey. But his care and work ethic over the years has remained the same and I believe Tom has made the difference in his pharmacy's longevity.

I commend Tom Castronova and wish him all the best with the continued success of Edgewood Pharmacy.

TRIBUTE TO GEORGE THOMPSON

**HON. GARY G. MILLER**

OF CALIFORNIA

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
*Thursday, September 26, 2002*

Mr. GARY G. MILLER of California. Mr. Speaker, I rise to pay tribute and honor the outstanding accomplishments of George Thompson, who is retiring after 28 exemplary years as Scout Master of Boy Scout Troop 762 in Yorba Linda, California.

During this time, Mr. Thompson impacted the lives of more than 440 young men ages 11 to 18 years of age. The leadership, guidance and support he provided, played a great role in 47 of those young men attaining the elite rank of Eagle Scout, the highest award that a Boy Scout can receive.

Mr. Thompson has been the worthy recipient of many honors and awards for his ongoing dedication and service, among them, the Order of the Arrow, 1973; Scouter's Training Award, 1974; Scouter's Key, 1981; District Award of Merit, 1981; National Eagle Scout Association Regional Award of Excellence, 1986 and the Silver Beaver in 1988.

Mr. Thompson's commitment to scouting has earned him the admiration and respect of those who have had the privilege of working with him. I would like to congratulate him on these impressive accomplishments and sincerely thank him for the difference that he has made in his community.

A PROCLAMATION IN MEMORY OF  
J. HARVEY GOODMAN

**HON. ROBERT W. NEY**

OF OHIO

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
*Thursday, September 26, 2002*

Mr. NEY. Mr. Speaker, I hereby offer my heartfelt condolences to the family and friends of J. Harvey Goodman upon the death of this outstanding person.

J. Harvey Goodman was born May 25, 1912 and has lived in the St. Clairsville area since the 1940's. J. Harvey Goodman was chief executive officer of the Goodman realty firm. His contributions will continue to bless the community, including the St. Clairsville Council of Churches Food Pantry.

Mr. Goodman will certainly be remembered by all those who knew him for his personal sacrifices of time and energy to his family, friends, and community. The understanding and kindness to which he gave to others will stand as a monument to a truly fine person. His life and love gave joy to all who knew him.

I offer this token of profound sympathy to the family and friends of J. Harvey Goodman.

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DIWALI, THE FESTIVAL OF LIGHT

**HON. FRANK PALLONE, JR.**

OF NEW JERSEY

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES  
*Thursday, September 26, 2002*

Mr. PALLONE. Mr. Speaker, I am pleased to introduce a resolution today that expresses the Sense of Congress that the United States