



H.R. 5787 – FEDERAL REAL PROPERTY DISPOSAL ENHANCEMENT ACT OF 2008

FLOOR SITUATION

H.R. 5787 is being considered on the floor under suspension of the rules and will require a two-thirds majority vote for passage. This legislation was introduced by Representative Dennis Moore (D-KS) on April 14, 2008. The House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform agreed to the bill, as amended, on May 1, 2008.

H.R. 5787 is expected to be considered on the floor of the House on May 19, 2008.

SUMMARY

H.R. 5787 requires the General Service Administration (GSA) to provide guidance to federal agencies on identifying federal property held by the agency that is unused and excessive to the needs of the agency. Federal agencies are to identify and inventory excess property and report it to the GSA.

The legislation authorizes the GSA to use amounts in its Surplus Property Fund to pay costs associated with any agency identifying excess properties and preparing a report for the excess property.

BACKGROUND

GSA, the nation's largest public real estate organization, provides workspace for more than 1.2 million federal workers through its Public Buildings Service. Approximately half of the employees are in buildings owned by the federal government and half are located in over 7,100 separate leased properties (including buildings, land, antenna sites, etc.) across the country.

COST

The Congressional Budget Office "estimates that enacting the bill would reduce net direct spending by \$15 million over the 2009-2018 period."

[Full CBO cost estimate for H.R. 5787](#)

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