



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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H.R. 1455

A bill to amend title 5 and title 3, United States Code, to include the Department of Homeland Security and the Secretary of Homeland Security in lists of executive departments and officers

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Government Reform
on October 20, 2005*

CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1455 would have no significant impact on the federal budget. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues. The legislation contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

H.R. 1455 would amend federal law to add the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to the list of executive branch departments of the federal government. The legislation would also amend the Presidential Succession Act of 1947 to include the Secretary of Homeland Security. H.R. 1455 would place the Secretary of Homeland Security eighth in line to succeed the President following the Attorney General.

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