



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 1372
Homeland Security for Children Act**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Homeland Security
on March 8, 2017*

H.R. 1372 would require the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to identify and integrate children's needs when preparing for, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating against natural disasters, acts of terrorism, and other manmade disasters. The bill would authorize FEMA to appoint a technical expert on children's needs to coordinate the integration of the bill's requirements. The bill also would direct the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to submit to the Congress an annual report describing the agency's efforts to integrate children's needs into DHS policies.

Based on information provided by DHS, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would have no significant effect on the federal budget. Enacting the legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 1372 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

H.R. 1372 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.

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