



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 1117

An act to require the Administrator of the Federal Emergency Management Agency to submit a report regarding certain plans regarding assistance to applicants and grantees during the response to an emergency or disaster

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs on July 26, 2017

H.R. 1117 would require the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to submit a report to the Congress on the agency's plans to provide consistent and accurate guidance and assistance to applicants for disaster funding. The act also would require FEMA to include in the report a plan to effectively maintain records related to disaster funding and to identify technologies that would assist individuals, organizations, and communities when recovering from major disasters.

Based on information provided by FEMA, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1117 would cost less than \$500,000 in 2018; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting H.R. 1117 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply. CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 1117 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

H.R. 1117 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

On March 6, 2017, CBO transmitted an estimate for H.R. 1117, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on February 28, 2017. The two versions of the legislation are similar and CBO's estimates of their costs are the same.

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