

S. 15, Protecting Seniors from Emergency Scams Act

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation on April 28, 2021

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2021	2021-2026	2021-2031
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	*	*	not estimated
Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	No	Mandate Effects	
Increases on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2032?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No
* = between zero and \$500,000.			

S. 15 would require the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) to report to the Congress on scams targeting senior citizens. The bill also would require the FTC to update its website to include the latest information on scams targeting seniors and work with media and law enforcement to distribute the latest information on such scams.

Using information from the FTC, CBO estimates that implementing S. 15 would cost less than \$500,000 over the 2021-2031 period; most of that cost would be for the report as the agency is generally meeting the other requirements. Any spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

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