

H.R. 6899, Russia and Belarus SDR Exchange Prohibition Act of 2022

As reported by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations on July 21, 2022

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2022	2022-2027	2022-2032
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	0	*	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 2033?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No
* = between zero and \$500,000.			

H.R. 6899 would prohibit the Department of the Treasury from exchanging U.S. dollars for Special Drawing Rights (SDR) held by Russia or Belarus. SDR are an international reserve asset of the International Monetary Fund (IMF) that are distributed to each member country. The act would direct the department to encourage other IMF members to follow suit and to oppose any non-humanitarian assistance for Russia and Belarus provided by international financial institutions such as the IMF and World Bank.

On the basis of information about the costs of similar diplomatic efforts to influence the actions of other nations, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 6899 would cost less than \$500,000 over the 2022-2027 period. Such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

On April 22, 2022, CBO transmitted a [cost estimate for H.R. 6899](#), the Russia and Belarus SDR Exchange Prohibition Act of 2022, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Foreign Affairs on March 17, 2022. The two versions of the act are similar, and CBO's estimates of their budgetary effects are the same.

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