

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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S. 1095

A bill to amend chapter 113 of title 18, United States Code, to clarify the prohibition on the trafficking in goods and services, and for other purposes

As reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on November 3, 2005

Under current law, it is illegal to traffic in counterfeit goods or services, including sound recordings, music videos, and computer programs. S. 1095 would clarify the definition of "trafficking" as used in current law. CBO estimates that implementing the bill would result in no significant costs to the federal government. The legislation could affect direct spending and receipts through greater collections of criminal fines, but we estimate that any effects on direct spending or receipts would not be significant because of the small number of cases likely to be affected.

S. 1095 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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