

# CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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# H.R. 1199

**Drug Endangered Children Act of 2007** 

As ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on July 25, 2007

# SUMMARY

H.R. 1199 would authorize the appropriation of \$20 million for each of fiscal years 2008 and 2009 for the Attorney General to make grants to states to assist children living with parents or guardians who abuse drugs. CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1199 would cost \$37 million over the 2008-2012 period, assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or receipts.

H.R. 1199 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

# ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 1199 is shown in the following table. For this estimate, CBO assumes that the authorized amounts will be appropriated by the beginning of each fiscal year and that outlays will follow the historical spending rates for similar activities. The cost of this legislation falls within budget function 750 (administration of justice).

		By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Authorization Level	20	20	0	0	0	
Estimated Outlays	4	10	10	7	6	

# INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

H.R. 1199 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments. CBO estimates that state governments would receive about \$40 million over the next several years for grants authorized in the bill. Any costs to those governments of complying with grant requirements would be incurred voluntarily as conditions of receiving federal assistance.

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