

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

June 29, 2004

S. 2264 Northern Uganda Crisis Response Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on International Relations on June 24, 2004

S. 2264 would require the Secretary of State to submit a report on the conflict in Uganda. For more than 17 years, the Lord's Resistance Army has been fighting the government of Uganda. Among other items, the report would include information on sources of financial and material support for the Lord's Resistance Army and actions taken by the government of Uganda, the United States, and by the international community to protect and assist civilians affected by the conflict. CBO estimates that implementing S. 2264 would result in no significant additional costs to the federal government because preparing the report would not add significantly to the State Department's workload. The act would not affect direct spending or receipts.

S. 2264 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.

On May 3, 2004, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for S. 2264 as reported by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations on April 29, 2004. The two versions of the act are identical, as are the estimates.

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