



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

May 31, 2005

H. R. 2475 **Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2006**

*As ordered reported by the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
on May 24, 2005*

H.R. 2475 would authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2006 for intelligence activities of the U.S. government, the Intelligence Community Management Account, and the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System (CIARDS).

This estimate addresses only the unclassified portion of the bill. CBO cannot obtain the necessary information to estimate the costs for the entire bill because some parts are classified at a level above clearances held by CBO employees. For purposes of this estimate, CBO assumes that the bill will be enacted by October 1, 2005, and that the necessary amounts will be appropriated for fiscal year 2006. Estimated outlays are based on historical spending patterns. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 050 (national defense).

Section 104 would authorize the appropriation of \$446 million for the Intelligence Community Management Account, which provides the principal source of funding for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence and provides resources for coordination of programs, budget oversight, and management of the intelligence agencies. CBO estimates that implementing this provision would cost \$268 million in 2006 and \$442 million over the 2005-2010 period, assuming appropriation of the specified amounts.

Section 201 would authorize the appropriation of \$245 million for CIARDS to cover retirement costs attributable to military service and various unfunded liabilities. The appropriation to CIARDS is considered mandatory, and the authorization under this bill would be the same as assumed in the CBO baseline. Thus, this estimate does not ascribe any additional cost to that provision. The bill would not affect revenues.

H.R. 2475 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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