



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 2121 **Russia Democracy Act of 2001**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on International Relations
on November 1, 2001*

SUMMARY

H.R. 2121 would expand authority to provide assistance to democratic institutions and media in Russia and would authorize the appropriation of \$50 million in 2002 for programs to strengthen the rule of law and an independent media. Assuming the appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost \$50 million over the 2002-2006 period. H.R. 2121 would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

H.R. 2121 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 2121 is shown in the following table. The estimate assumes that the authorized amount will be appropriated this fall and that outlays will follow historical spending patterns. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 150 (international affairs).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006

CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION

Assistance for the Independent States of the
Former Soviet Union

Authorization Level	50	0	0	0	0
Estimated Outlays	9	18	10	7	6

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

H.R. 2121 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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