

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 24, 2015

H.R. 1634

Border Security Technology Accountability Act of 2015

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Homeland Security on June 25, 2015

H.R. 1634 would direct the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to improve the planning, documentation, and management of certain programs to acquire border security technology. The bill also would require DHS to submit a plan to the Congress to ensure that such programs comply with federal acquisition policies.

Based on the cost of similar activities, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1634 would cost less than \$500,000, subject to the availability of appropriated funds. There are ongoing efforts within DHS to carry out the actions required by the bill and improve the overall management of border security technology programs. Because enacting the legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

H.R. 1634 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.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Mark Grabowicz. The estimate was approved by H. Samuel Papenfuss, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.