



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

May 17, 2012

**H.R. 4005
Gauging American Port Security Act**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Homeland Security on May 9, 2012

CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 4005 would cost about \$1 million in fiscal year 2013, from appropriated funds. Enacting the legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

H.R. 4005 would require the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to conduct a study on gaps in security at U.S. ports. The study would be submitted to the Congress in classified form and contain an unclassified annex. In addition, the bill would direct DHS to share the results of the study, as appropriate, with federal agencies, state, local, and tribal governments, and port system owners and operators. Based on the cost of similar activities, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 4005 would cost about \$1 million in fiscal year 2013, assuming availability of appropriated funds.

H.R. 4005 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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