



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 1690
Department of Veterans Affairs Bonus Transparency Act**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Veterans' Affairs
on July 19, 2017*

H.R. 1690 would require the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to submit annual reports to the Congress detailing information on performance awards and bonuses paid to certain high-level executives of the agency, including Regional Office Directors, Directors of Medical Centers, Directors of Veterans Integrated Service Networks, and all other senior executive positions (that is, the Senior Executive Service and other administrators or executive positions). VA would be required to provide the amount of each award as well as the job title and work location of the person receiving such an award.

On the basis of information from VA regarding reports of a similar nature, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1690 would cost less than \$500,000 over the 2017-2022 period, subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting H.R. 1690 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 1690 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

H.R. 1690 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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