



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 3701**  
**Safety of Seniors Act of 2008**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Energy and Commerce  
on March 13, 2008*

H.R. 3701 would modify the Public Health Service Act to authorize funding for programs to detect, prevent, and treat injuries due to falls among older adults. The bill would also direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to undertake research, education, and other activities aimed at reducing the extent and effect of falls among older adults.

Based on historical spending patterns for similar activities, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 3701 would cost \$1 million in 2009 and \$13 million over the 2009-2013 period, assuming the availability of appropriated funds. Enacting H.R. 3701 would not affect direct spending or receipts.

H.R. 3701 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 3701 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 550 (health).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
<b>CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION</b>					
Estimated Authorization Level	3	3	3	3	3
Estimated Outlays	1	3	3	3	3

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