



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

September 30, 1998

S. 1551

A bill for the relief of Kerantha Poole-Christian

As reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on September 24, 1998

S. 1551 would classify Kerantha Poole-Christian as a child for purposes of obtaining permanent resident status under the Immigration and Nationality Act. That classification would make it easier for her to obtain a family-sponsored immigrant visa. CBO estimates that enacting this legislation would have no significant impact on the federal budget. S. 1551 could have a very small effect on fees collected by the Immigration and Naturalization Service. Such fees are classified as direct spending, so pay-as-you-go procedures would apply to the bill.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Mark Grabowicz. This estimate was approved by Paul N. Van de Water, Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.