



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

July 19, 2000

H.R. 4033

Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 2000

As ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on July 11, 2000

SUMMARY

H.R. 4033 would authorize the appropriation of \$50 million for each of fiscal years 2002 through 2004 for the Department of Justice to provide grants to state and local governments and Indian tribes to purchase armor vests for law enforcement officers. The bill also would make changes to the current laws relating to the administration of this grant program.

Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 4033 would cost \$134 million over the 2002-2005 period. This legislation would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. H.R. 4033 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would benefit state, local, and tribal governments. Any costs incurred by state, local, or tribal governments would be the result of complying with grant conditions and would be voluntary.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

For this estimate, CBO assumes that the amounts authorized by the bill will be appropriated by the start of each fiscal year, and that spending would follow the historical rates for this program. The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 4033 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 750 (administration of justice).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars					
	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005

SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION

Spending Under Current Law for Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grants						
Authorization Level ^a	25	25	0	0	0	0
Estimated Outlays	16	25	19	9	0	0
Proposed Changes						
Authorization Level	0	0	50	50	50	0
Estimated Outlays	0	0	13	33	50	38
Spending Under H.R. 4033 for Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grants						
Authorization Level ^a	25	25	50	50	50	0
Estimated Outlays	16	25	32	42	50	38

a. The 2000 level is the amount appropriated in that year for the bulletproof vest grant program. The 2001 level is the amount authorized in current law for those grants.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

H.R. 4033 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would benefit state, local, and tribal governments. Any costs incurred by state, local, or tribal governments would be the result of complying with grant conditions and would be voluntary.

PREVIOUS CBO ESTIMATE

On July 19, 2000, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for S. 2413, the Bulletproof Vest Partnership Grant Act of 2000, as reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on June 29, 2000. The two bills are very similar and the cost estimates are identical.

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