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COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 4052
Transportation and Infrastructure Reports Restoration Act of 2000

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on March 30, 2000*

Under current law, certain federal and nonfederal reporting requirements will expire on May 15, 2000. H.R. 4052 would require agencies under the jurisdiction of the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure to continue to prepare some of the reports that otherwise would expire. Among the agencies affected by the bill's reporting requirements are the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Department of Transportation, and the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA).

Based on information from affected agencies, CBO estimates that extending these reporting requirements would cost about \$1 million a year starting in fiscal year 2001, subject to the availability of appropriated funds. Requiring EPA to report on the national requirements and costs of water pollution control would cost about \$500,000 a year. Most of the other reports identified in H.R. 4052 each cost less than \$50,000 annually or would be continued by the agencies under current policy. This legislation would affect direct spending because the TVA report is financed by the agency's power program; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would apply. CBO estimates, however, that the effect on direct spending would be negligible.

H.R. 4052 contains no intergovernmental mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA). Any costs incurred by state, local, or tribal governments to provide information for certain reports would result from complying with conditions of receiving federal aid. Such costs are unlikely to be significant. This bill contains no new private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA.

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