



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE**

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**S. 113**

**Federal Judiciary Protection Act of 1999**

*As reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on July 27, 2000*

S. 113 would increase the maximum sentences for persons who harm or threaten a federal employee. CBO expects that implementing S. 113 would have a negligible cost to the federal government over the 2001-2005 period. Because enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or receipts, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. S. 113 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

Because those sentenced under S. 113 could receive longer prison sentences than under current law, CBO expects that enacting the bill could increase the costs of the Bureau of Prisons. But, based on information from the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, CBO expects that fewer than 100 individuals each year might receive increased sentences for harming or threatening to harm a federal employee. In addition, it is likely that the majority of such individuals are convicted and sentenced for committing more than one crime, so that any increase in federal prison operating costs as a result of implementing S. 113 would likely occur after 2005. Such costs would be subject to the appropriation of the necessary funds.

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