



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE**

July 9, 1999

**S. 1260**

**An act to make technical corrections in title 17, United States Code,  
and other laws**

*As passed by the Senate on July 1, 1999*

S. 1260 would make certain technical corrections to copyright law concerning ephemeral recordings (those made and used solely for transmitting or archiving a performance or audiovisual display). The act also would renumber and retitle certain sections of law relating to patents and copyrights. Finally, the act would clarify that the Commissioner of Patents is to be paid at level III of the executive schedule.

CBO estimates that enacting S. 1260 would have no significant impact on the federal budget. Because the act would not affect direct spending or receipts, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. S. 1260 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

On March 26, 1999, CBO transmitted an identical cost estimate for H.R. 1189, a similar bill that was ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on March 24, 1999.

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