



## CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

September 27, 2000

### **S. 1314**

### **Computer Crime Enforcement Act**

*As reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on September 21, 2000*

#### **SUMMARY**

S. 1314 would authorize the appropriation of \$25 million for each of fiscal years 2001 through 2003 for the Department of Justice to make grants to state and local governments to combat computer crimes. Such crimes include fraud executed with a computer and unlawful damaging of, or interference with, computer systems on networks. Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 1314 would cost \$75 million over the 2001-2005 period. This legislation would not affect direct spending or receipts; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

S. 1314 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 these 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 outlays will follow the historical rates for similar grant programs. The estimated budgetary impact of S. 1314 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				
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005
<b>CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION</b>					
Authorization Level	25	25	25	0	0
Estimated Outlays	5	15	25	20	10

**PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS:** None.

### **ESTIMATED IMPACT ON STATE, LOCAL, AND TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS**

S. 1314 contains no intergovernmental mandates as defined in UMRA and would benefit state, local, and tribal governments. The bill would establish a \$75-million grant program over the next three fiscal years to help law enforcement agencies combat computer crimes. Any costs incurred by these governments would be the result of complying with grant conditions and would be voluntary.

### **ESTIMATED IMPACT ON THE PRIVATE-SECTOR**

S. 1314 contains no private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA.

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