



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE

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S. 2460

**A bill to authorize the payment of rewards to individuals
furnishing information relating to persons subject to indictment for
serious violations of international humanitarian law in Rwanda,
and for other purposes**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations
on June 7, 2000*

S. 2460 would expand the State Department's rewards program by authorizing a reward for information about persons indicted by the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda. Under current law, rewards of up to \$5 million may be given for information about international terrorists or terrorist acts, narcotics-related offenses, and persons indicted by the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia.

CBO estimates the bill would have no significant budgetary impact. According to the State Department, no awards have been made for information about persons indicted by the International Criminal Tribunal for the former Yugoslavia. On that basis, CBO believes that it is unlikely that substantial awards would be paid in the near future for information about persons indicted by the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda. Because any such rewards would be paid from appropriated funds, the bill would not affect direct spending or receipts, and pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

S. 2460 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.

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