



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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S. 1144

A bill to amend title III of the Stewart B. McKinney Homeless Assistance Act (42 U.S.C. 11331 et seq.) to reauthorize the Federal Emergency Management Food and Shelter Program, and for other purposes.

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on August 2, 2001*

SUMMARY

S. 1144 would reauthorize the Federal Emergency Management Agency's emergency food and shelter program for fiscal years 2002 through 2004. Assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts, CBO estimates that additional outlays would total \$480 million over the 2002-2004 period. Because S. 1144 would not affect direct spending or receipts, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply to the bill.

S. 1144 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA). The program authorized by the bill would assist state, local, and tribal governments in meeting the needs of homeless individuals.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of S. 1144 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 600 (income security).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars					
	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006
SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Spending Under Current Law						
Budget Authority ^a	140	0	0	0	0	0
Estimated Outlays	140	0	0	0	0	0
Proposed Changes						
Authorization Level	0	150	160	170	0	0
Estimated Outlays	0	150	160	170	0	0
Spending Under S. 1144						
Authorization Level ^a	140	150	160	170	0	0
Estimated Outlays	140	150	160	170	0	0

a. The 2001 level is the amount appropriated for that year.

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

The emergency food and shelter program provides grants to local organizations to supplement food and shelter services for homeless individuals. S. 1144 would authorize appropriations for this program for fiscal years 2002 through 2004. For purposes of this estimate, CBO assumes that the full authorized amounts would be appropriated for each fiscal year—\$150 million for 2002, \$160 million for 2003, and \$170 million for 2004—and that spending would follow the historical pattern of the program.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

ESTIMATED IMPACT ON STATE, LOCAL, AND TRIBAL GOVERNMENTS

S. 1144 contains no intergovernmental mandates as defined in UMRA, and the bill would provide significant benefits to state, local, and tribal governments. Local boards, which include officials from local governments, determine how grant funds in the emergency food and shelter program are distributed. The funds authorized by this bill would supplement efforts by local organizations and governments to address the needs of homeless individuals.

ESTIMATED IMPACT ON THE PRIVATE SECTOR

S. 1144 contains no private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA.

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