



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**S. 1271
Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2001**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Government Affairs
on November 14, 2001*

S. 1271 would seek to provide relief from federal administrative requirements to small businesses by: (1) directing the Office of Management and Budget to publish an annual list of paperwork requirements, (2) requiring that agencies provide a single point of contact for small business, and (3) establishing a multi-agency task force, including members of the small business community, to study the feasibility of streamlining requirements for collecting and reporting information to the federal government.

Under S. 1271, agencies would incur additional costs to publish lists of paperwork requirements, to participate in the multi-agency task force, and to provide reports, but CBO expects that such costs would not be significant. The bill would not affect direct spending or receipts, so pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply. S. 1271 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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