



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**S. 1344
Native American Commercial Driving Training and Technical
Assistance Act**

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Indian Affairs on August 1, 2002

SUMMARY

S. 1344 would authorize grants to tribal colleges and universities for programs to train Native Americans to drive commercial vehicles. CBO estimates the new provisions would cost about \$10 million over the 2003-2007 period, assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts. This bill would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

S. 1344 contains no new intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA), and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of S. 1344 is shown in the following table. The cost of this legislation falls within budget function 500 (education, training, employment, and social services).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007

CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION

Commercial Vehicle Driving Training Program					
Estimated Budget Authority	2	2	2	2	2
Estimated Outlays	1	2	2	2	2

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

For this estimate, CBO assumes that S. 1344 will be enacted by September 30, 2002, and that the estimated amounts will be appropriated for each year. Outlays are based on historical spending patterns for similar programs.

S. 1344 would authorize competitive grants to tribal colleges and universities to provide training for driving commercial vehicles. The bill would authorize the appropriation of such sums as may be necessary for this purpose. Based on the average costs of similar training programs, CBO estimates that such programs would cost about \$2 million per year, resulting in additional outlays of about \$10 million over fiscal years 2003 through 2007.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

S. 1344 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA, and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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