

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE PAY-AS-YOU-GO ESTIMATE

March 23, 2001

S. J. Res. 6

Providing for Congressional disapproval of the rule submitted by the Department of Labor under chapter 8 of title 5, United States Code, relating to ergonomics

As cleared by the Congress on March 8, 2001, and signed by the President on March 20, 2001

S. J. Res. 6 (enacted as Public Law 107-5) repeals the rule submitted by the Department of Labor relating to ergonomics. The final rule for the ergonomics regulation was published November 14, 2000, and became effective January 16, 2001. The regulation was designed to address the ergonomic risks to employees in general industry.

As a result of the joint resolution, the Occupational Safety and Health Administration will not receive revenues from civil penalties that would have been assessed on companies in violation of the ergonomics regulation. CBO estimates the revenue loss will be less than \$500,000 over the 2001-2011 period.

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