



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

September 30, 2003

H.R. 2685

A bill to amend the Omnibus Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968 to reauthorize the Matching Grant Program for School Security

As ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on September 24, 2003

SUMMARY

H.R. 2685 would authorize the appropriation of \$30 million for each of fiscal years 2004 through 2008 for the Department of Justice to make grants to state and local governments to improve school security. CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost \$113 million over the 2004-2008 period, subject to appropriation of the authorized amounts. Enacting H.R. 2685 would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 2685 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would benefit state, local, and tribal governments.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 2685 is shown in the following table. CBO assumes that the amounts authorized by the bill will be appropriated near the start of each fiscal year and that outlays will follow the historical rate of spending for similar programs. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 750 (administration of justice).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars				
	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION					
Authorization Level	30	30	30	30	30
Estimated Outlays	7	18	29	30	30

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

H.R. 2685 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA. The bill would extend a matching grant program for state, local, and tribal governments to provide improved security at schools and on school grounds. Any costs to those governments would be incurred voluntarily as conditions of federal aid.

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