

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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S. 910 Non-Homeland Security Mission Performance Act of 2003

As ordered reported by Senate Committee on Governmental Affairs on June 17, 2003

S. 910 would require the Under Secretary of each entity within the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) that performs functions that are not specifically related to homeland security to report annually to the Secretary of Homeland Security and the Congress on the budget and performance of those functions. Such reports would be required during the five years following the transfer of each entity to DHS or following the establishment of an entity in the department that performs such functions. The director of the Secret Service would prepare those reports for that agency, and the Inspector General of DHS would prepare such reports for the Coast Guard. The bill would direct the General Accounting Office (GAO) to monitor, evaluate, and review the implementation of the legislation.

CBO estimates that implementing S. 910 would cost less than \$500,000 a year, subject to the availability of appropriated funds. The legislation would codify and expand the current practices of DHS regarding preparation of its budget and annual program performance reports. CBO does not expect that the requirements of the bill would lead to significant additional reporting costs. In addition, the legislation would require the GAO to annually review and report on the implementation of this bill and the performance of functions at DHS that are not specifically related to homeland security. GAO is already studying the transformation and implementation of the new DHS, so CBO expects that those new reporting requirements would not add significant costs. Enactment of S. 910 would not affect direct spending or revenues.

S. 910 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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