



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

March 9, 2006

**H.R. 683
Trademark Dilution Revision Act of 2005**

As reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on February 27, 2006

H.R. 683 would make changes to trademark law to strengthen a trademark owner's defense against the use of other similar marks in the market that could harm the reputation of the trademark or confuse consumers. CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 683 would not have a significant effect on spending subject to appropriation. Enacting this legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 683 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.

On March 20, 2005, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 683 as ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on March 9, 2005. The two versions of the legislation are similar, and the estimated costs are the same.

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