



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

May 7, 2007

H.R. 2082 **Intelligence Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008**

*As ordered reported by the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence
on May 2, 2007*

SUMMARY

H.R. 2082 would authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2008 for intelligence activities of the U.S. government, for the Intelligence Community Management Account, and for the Central Intelligence Agency Retirement and Disability System (CIARDS).

This estimate addresses only the unclassified portion of the bill. On that limited basis, CBO estimates that implementing certain provisions of the bill would cost \$406 million in 2008 and approximately \$730 million over the 2008-2012 period, assuming appropriation of the authorized funds. Enacting H.R. 2082 would not affect direct spending or revenues.

The unclassified sections of H.R. 2082 would extend an existing mandate, as defined by the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA), on intergovernmental and private-sector entities, but CBO estimates that the costs of the mandate would not exceed the annual thresholds established in that act (\$67 million for intergovernmental mandates and \$134 million for private-sector mandates in 2007, adjusted annually for inflation).

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 2082 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 050 (national defense).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Intelligence Community Management Account						
Authorization Level	738	0	0	0	0	0
Estimated Outlays	406	258	52	15	0	0

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

Section 104 would authorize the appropriation of \$738 million for the Intelligence Community Management Account, which provides the principal source of funding for the Office of the Director of National Intelligence and provides resources for coordination of programs, budget oversight, and management of the intelligence agencies. CBO estimates that implementing this provision would cost \$406 million in 2008 and approximately \$730 million over the 2008-2012 period, assuming appropriation of the specified amount.

Section 201 would authorize the appropriation of \$263 million to CIARDS to cover retirement costs attributable to military service and various unfunded liabilities. The appropriation to CIARDS is considered mandatory, and the authorization under this bill would be the same as assumed in the CBO baseline. Thus, this estimate does not ascribe any additional cost to that provision.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

The unclassified sections of this bill would extend the National Commission for the Review of the Research and Development Programs of the U.S. Intelligence Community and the authority of the commission to subpoena testimony and evidence. State, local, and tribal governments, and entities in the private sector, if subpoenaed by the commission, would be required to provide testimony, documents, or other evidence. CBO expects that the commission would likely exercise this authority sparingly and that the costs to comply with a subpoena would not be significant. Thus, CBO estimates that the costs to public and private entities would be small and well below the annual thresholds established in UMRA (\$67 million for intergovernmental mandates and \$134 million for private-sector mandates in 2007, adjusted annually for inflation).

The remaining unclassified provisions of the bill contain no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

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