



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE

June 4, 2008

**H.R. 3248**

**An act to amend the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient  
Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users to make  
technical corrections, and for other purposes**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Environment and Public Works  
on May 21, 2008*

H.R. 3248 would make several technical changes to the current authorization for highway programs—the Safe, Accountable, Flexible, Efficient Transportation Equity Act: A Legacy for Users (SAFETEA-LU, Public Law 109-59). CBO estimates that enacting the legislation would have no significant impact on the federal budget and would not affect direct spending or revenues.

The act contains no new intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

H.R. 3248 would make several technical changes to the current authorization for highway programs by changing the descriptions for several specific projects authorized under the transportation improvements program. Since most projects are still in the planning process, CBO estimates that altering the project descriptions would not have a significant impact on the federal budget.

On May 28, 2008, CBO provided an estimate for S. 3075, a bill to make certain technical corrections to title III of SAFETEA-LU, as reported by the Senate Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs. That bill only contained technical changes to transit programs, while H.R. 3248 contains such changes for highway programs. CBO estimates that enacting either piece of legislation would not affect spending or revenues.

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