



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**S. 1510
United States Secret Service Uniformed Division Modernization
Act of 2009**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental
Affairs on July 29, 2009*

SUMMARY

S. 1510 would transfer the authority that governs pay and hours of work for current members of the U.S. Secret Service Uniformed Division from the District of Columbia Code to the U.S. Code. That transfer would result in several changes to the pay and benefits of Uniformed Division members, including a revised salary schedule. In addition, retired members of the Uniformed Division who also are members of the District of Columbia Police and Firefighters Retirement and Disability System would receive an increase of nearly 3 percent in their retirement compensation.

CBO estimates that implementing this legislation would cost \$39 million between 2010 and 2014, assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts. The bill also contains provisions that increase direct spending for retirement benefits of the Uniformed Division. CBO estimates that, if enacted, S. 1510 would increase direct spending by \$14 million over the 2010-2019 period. Enacting the bill would have no effect on revenues.

The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The costs of this legislation fall within budget functions 600 (income security) and 750 (administration of justice).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars											
	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2010-2014	2010-2019
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION												
Estimated Authorization Level	3	9	9	9	9	10	10	10	10	11	40	90
Estimated Outlays	3	9	9	9	9	10	10	10	10	11	39	90
CHANGES IN DIRECT SPENDING												
Estimated Budget Authority	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	6	14
Estimated Outlays	*	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	2	6	14

Note: * = less than \$500,000.

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

For this estimate, CBO assumes that S. 1510 would be enacted near the beginning of fiscal year 2010.

Spending Subject to Appropriation

S. 1510 would increase discretionary spending for pay and benefits for members of the U.S. Secret Service Uniformed Division. CBO estimates that implementing those changes would cost \$39 million over the 2010-2014 period, assuming appropriation of the necessary amounts. In addition, CBO assumes that the conversion to the new salary schedule will occur in May 2010, as required under the legislation.

S. 1510 would set forth a schedule of pay rates for members of the U.S. Secret Service Uniformed Division to be paid under the U.S. Code. That schedule is composed of 13 steps (one fewer than under the current schedule) for each of the different ranks that comprise the Uniformed Division. Under the legislation, the increments between steps of a given rank would be adjusted so that the dollar increase between each step is the same. S. 1510 also would reduce the amount of service time required to advance to the highest step from 30 years to 22 years. As a result of those changes, most members would receive a small salary increase upon conversion to the new pay scale.

Several other changes in pay or benefits would occur as a result of the legislation. Those changes include moving the provisions governing premium pay (such as overtime) from the District of Columbia Code to the U.S. Code, granting an additional 6 percent salary increase to members deemed to hold technician positions, and increasing the maximum annual clothing allowance to plainclothes members from \$300 to \$500. No current employee's pay or benefits would be reduced as a result of the legislation.

Direct Spending

In addition, S. 1510 would increase by nearly 3 percent the annuity paid to retired members of the Secret Service Uniformed Division who currently participate in the District of Columbia Police and Firefighters Retirement and Disability System. CBO estimates that this change would increase payments to retired Secret Service employees by about \$14 million over the 2010-2019 period.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

S. 1510 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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