



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 3140
Mass Transit Intelligence Prioritization Act**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Homeland Security on March 28, 2012

Under current law, the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) assigns federal officers and analysts to work at state and local “fusion centers,” which are hubs for gathering and sharing information about potential threats to public safety. H.R. 3140 would direct the Secretary of Homeland Security to make it a priority to assign federal staff to fusion centers in high-risk areas with mass transit systems.

Based on information from DHS, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 3140 would have no significant impact on the federal budget. According to the department, the requirement to prioritize staff assignments to high-risk fusion centers with mass transit systems is consistent with current administrative practices, and CBO does not expect that codifying that requirement would significantly affect the number of staff assigned to fusion centers or the federal spending for related activities. Enacting H.R. 3140 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

H.R. 3140 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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