



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 744
STOP Identity Theft Act of 2013**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on July 16, 2014

H.R. 744 would direct the Department of Justice (DOJ) to better utilize its existing resources to combat identity theft related to the filing of tax returns. The department currently allocates its funding to investigate and prosecute a wide range of criminal activity, including identity theft. CBO expects that the legislation could result in a reallocation of DOJ resources, but we estimate that implementing the bill would have no significant net cost to the federal government. Enacting H.R. 744 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

H.R. 744 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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