



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

December 1, 2015

**H.R. 2795
FRIENDS Act**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Homeland Security
on November 4, 2015*

H.R. 2795 would direct the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to prepare a report to the Congress on selected state programs related to the preparedness and protection of first responders. The report would include information related to the availability of protective and medical equipment, as well as information on the location of first responders. Based on information from GAO and the cost of similar studies, CBO estimates the report would cost about \$1 million over the 2016-2017 period; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Because enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues, pay-as-you go procedures do not apply. CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 2795 would not increase direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2026.

H.R. 2795 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Matthew Pickford. The estimate was approved by H. Samuel Papenfuss, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.