

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

March 21, 2016

H.R. 3361 Department of Homeland Security Insider Threat and Mitigation Act of 2016

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs on February 10, 2016

H.R. 3361 would direct the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) to establish a program to protect the department's critical assets from insider threats (that is, harmful activities by department employees and certain other persons with access to classified information). DHS is currently carrying out activities similar to those required by the act; thus, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 3361 would not significantly affect spending by DHS. Because enacting the legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

CBO estimates that enacting the legislation would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2027.

H.R. 3361 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.

On October 23, 2015, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 3361, the Department of Homeland Security Insider Threat and Mitigation Act of 2015, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Homeland Security on September 30, 2015. The two versions of the act are similar and CBO's estimates of the budgetary effects are the same.

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