



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

Revised March 16, 2015

H.R. 647

Access to Life-Saving Trauma Care for All Americans Act

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Energy and Commerce
on February 12, 2015*

SUMMARY

H.R. 647 would amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize funding for grant programs that support trauma care centers and trauma service availability. The bill also would clarify that public, nonprofit, Indian Health Service, Indian tribal, and urban Indian trauma centers are eligible to receive grants, and would change the administration of those grant programs to be the responsibility of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response.

The bill would authorize the appropriation of \$200 million a year for each of fiscal years 2016 through 2020 for the two grant programs. CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost \$802 million over the 2016-2020 period, assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts. Pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply to this legislation because it would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 647 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA).

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

For this estimate, CBO assumes that H.R. 647 will be enacted by the start of fiscal year 2016, the Congress will appropriate the authorized amounts for each year, and spending will follow historical patterns for similar programs. The estimated budgetary effects of H.R. 647 are shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 550 (health).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars					2016-2020
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Authorization Level	200	200	200	200	200	1,000
Estimated Outlays	50	168	188	196	200	802

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

H.R. 647 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA and would impose no costs on state, local, or tribal governments.

PREVIOUS CBO ESTIMATE:

On March 11, 2015, CBO transmitted an estimate for H.R. 647 that omitted the authorization for one of the grant programs included in the bill. This estimate corrects that omission.

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