



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**S. 3036
National Alzheimer's Project Act**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
on December 1, 2010*

S. 3036 would establish a National Alzheimer's Project within the Office of the Secretary of Health and Human Services and an advisory council on Alzheimer's research, care, and services. The advisory council would be required to meet quarterly and submit an annual report to the Secretary and the Congress. The Secretary would be required to:

- Coordinate information and activities associated with Alzheimer's disease and related dementias including research, health care, and treatment activities;
- Conduct an annual assessment of federal activities as they relate to those diseases; and
- Create and update a national plan with recommendations and implementation steps for addressing their escalating burden.

Based on historical spending patterns for similar activities and on information from the National Institutes of Health, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would result in an increase in federal spending of \$2 million over the 2011-2015 period, subject to the availability of appropriated funds. Pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply because enacting the legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues.

S. 3036 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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