



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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S. 1382
ALS Registry Act

*As reported by the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions
on December 4, 2007*

S. 1382 would modify the Public Health Service Act to authorize funding for the establishment of a national registry for the collection and storage of data on amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS). It would authorize the appropriation of \$2 million for 2008, \$25 million for 2009, and \$16 million a year over the 2010-2012 period for the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention for those activities. Based on historical patterns of spending for similar activities, CBO estimates that implementing S. 1382 would cost \$1 million in 2008 and \$70 million over the 2008-2013 period, assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

S. 1382 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act. Grants and other activities authorized in the bill to collect, analyze, and report data on ALS would benefit state and local governments.

The estimated budgetary impact of S. 1382 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 550 (health).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars					
	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Authorization Level	2	25	16	16	16	0
Estimated Outlays	1	10	17	16	16	10

S. 1382 is similar to H.R. 2295, the ALS Registry Act, passed by the House of Representatives on October 16, 2007. CBO's estimate for S. 1382 differs from that for H.R. 2295 because the amounts specified for appropriation are different in each bill.

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