



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE**

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**Extradition Treaties Interpretation Act of 1997**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations  
on September 24, 1997*

The bill would authorize the interpretation of the term "kidnapping" in extradition treaties to include parental abduction of a child and its removal across international borders with intent to obstruct the lawful exercise of parental rights.

Enactment of the bill could increase slightly the number of requests for extradition processed by the federal government. Nevertheless, CBO estimates that the bill would have no significant impact on the federal budget because the additional expenses for processing the new workload would be small. Because it would not affect direct spending or receipts, pay-as-you-go procedures would not apply.

The bill contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act of 1995 and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

The estimate was prepared by Joseph C. Whitehill. The estimate was approved by Robert A. Sunshine, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.