



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

March 30, 2017

H.R. 1695
Register of Copyrights Selection and Accountability Act of 2017

As ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on March 29, 2017

Under current law, the Director of the Copyright Office is appointed by the Librarian of Congress. H.R. 1695 would make that position subject to appointment by the President with the advice and consent of the Senate. The Director would serve a 10 year term, subject to removal by the President. Under the bill, the President would make the appointment from a list of individuals recommended by a panel composed of members of Congress and the Librarian of Congress. Based on information from the Library of Congress, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would have no significant effect on the federal budget.

Enacting H.R. 1695 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply. CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 1695 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

H.R. 1695 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.

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