



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**H.R. 2408
Protecting Girls' Access to Education Act**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Foreign Affairs
on July 27, 2017*

H.R. 2408 would authorize the Department of State and the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) to enhance existing education programs for displaced children, especially girls; coordinate such efforts with the private sector and civil society groups; and coordinate with multilateral organizations to collect relevant data to improve the effectiveness of those programs. Finally, it would require the department and USAID to include data on education programs for displaced children in any report to the Congress on disaster relief and recovery efforts.

Based on information from the department and USAID, CBO concludes that many of the bill's requirements are being satisfied under current law. CBO estimates that any additional efforts related to reporting requirements as well as data collection and analysis would, in total, cost less than \$500,000 over the 2018-2022 period; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting H.R. 2408 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply. CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 2408 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

H.R. 2408 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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