H.R. 4245
Veterans’ Electronic Health Record Modernization
Oversight Act of 2017

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on May 8, 2018

Within a month of enactment, H.R. 4245 would require the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to submit to the Congress documents related to managing the Electronic Health Record Modernization (EHRM) program. The bill also would require VA to provide the Congress with quarterly reports on the program and information regarding related contractual agreements. Under the EHRM program, VA plans on adopting the electronic health records used by the Department of Defense.

The documents that the bill would require VA to submit will already be prepared in conjunction with the EHRM Program. As a result, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would cost less than $500,000 over the 2019-2023 period to compile and submit the necessary program documents to the Congress. That spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting H.R. 4245 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 4245 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2029.

H.R. 4245 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

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