



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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H.R. 601
Reinforcing Education Accountability in Development Act
As reported by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations on June 5, 2017

H.R. 601 would codify many of the practices and programs relating to education assistance at the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID). The act would establish the position of Senior Coordinator within USAID to coordinate federal efforts to improve basic education in other countries, conduct oversight of those efforts, develop an integrated strategy to promote basic education, and report to the Congress. USAID has indicated that a similar position already exists but that the agency would require one employee for the additional administrative support and reports that would be required under the act. On the basis of that information, CBO estimates that implementing the act would cost less than \$500,000 each year and total \$1 million over the 2017-2021 period; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting H.R. 601 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply. CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 601 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

H.R. 601 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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