

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

November 30, 2018

Health and Research Legislation

As ordered reported or reported by the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions on November 29, 2018

On November 29, 2018, the Senate Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions ordered reported S. 3530, Museum and Library Services Act of 2018, which would amend and reauthorize programs under the Museum and Library Services Act; the Committee reported four other bills, including:

- S. 2076, BOLD Infrastructure for Alzheimer's Act, which would authorize grants to support public health awareness and evidence-based practices related to Alzheimer's disease and related dementia;
- S. 3657, Traumatic Brain Injury Program Reauthorization Act of 2018, which would reauthorize the Traumatic Brain Injury program, including grants to states through the Administration for Community Living and data collection and analysis through the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention;
- H.R. 315, Improving Access to Maternity Care Act, which would direct the Health Resources and Services Administration to identify geographic areas experiencing a shortage of health professionals practicing in maternity care; and
- S. 3482, Emergency Medical Services for Children Program Reauthorization Act of 2018, which would reauthorize a grant program that aims to improve outcomes for children in emergency departments.

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

Four of the bills would authorize specified amounts to be appropriated each year over the 2020-2023 period as follows:

- S. 2076, \$20 million;
- S. 3657, \$23 million;
- S. 3842, \$22 million; and
- S. 3530, \$299 million.

These authorizations would be subject to appropriation of the specified amounts. Implementing H.R. 315 also would result in spending subject to appropriation, but CBO has not completed an estimate of those amounts.

CBO estimates that enacting that legislation would not increase net direct spending or onbudget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2029.

None of the bills contain intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

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