

**H.R. 806, Portable Fuel Container Safety Act of 2019**

As passed by the House of Representatives on September 17, 2019

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2019	2019-2024	2019-2029
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	0	3	not estimated
Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	No	<b>Mandate Effects</b>	
Increases on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2030?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	Yes, Under Threshold

H.R. 806 would require the Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) to issue a final rule to require portable fuel containers to include a device that would stop flames from entering the container (called flame mitigation devices). The CPSC also would be required to undertake a campaign to educate consumers about the dangers associated with portable fuel containers for flammable liquids and to submit a report to Congress summarizing its education campaign activities.

On the basis of information from the CPSC, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 806 would cost about \$3 million over the 2020-2024 period, assuming appropriation of authorized amounts. On average, the equivalent of about four full-time employees would be required over the 2020-2024 period to complete the final rule and education campaign, CBO estimates.

The requirement that portable fuel containers include flame mitigation devices would be a private-sector mandate as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA). The bill would permit CPSC to adopt a voluntary industry standard as its rule to meet this requirement. Based on industry information about the widespread use of flame mitigation devices in portable fuel containers, CBO estimates that the cost the mandate would fall below the annual threshold for private-sector mandates established in UMRA (\$164 million in 2019, adjusted annually for inflation).

H.R. 806 contains no intergovernmental mandates as defined in UMRA.

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