

H.R. 2088, A bill to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to reauthorize the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program, and for other purposes

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Energy and Commerce on July 17, 2019.

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2020	2020-2024	2020-2029
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	35	7,525	17,500
Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	No	Mandate Effects	
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?	No

H.R. 2088 would reauthorize the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grant Program. The block grant program awards grants for projects that increase energy efficiency or expand access to alternative fuels.

H.R. 2088 would authorize the appropriation of \$3.5 billion each year over the 2020-2024 period. That program received \$2.3 billion in 2009, the most recent year in which appropriations were provided. Using information from the Department of Energy and based on the spending pattern of the previous appropriation, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 2088 would cost \$7.5 billion over the 2020-2024 period and \$10.0 billion after 2024, assuming appropriation of the authorized amounts.

The costs of the legislation, detailed in Table 1, fall within budget function 270 (energy).

Table 1.
Estimated Increases in Spending Subject to Appropriation in H.R. 2088

	By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars										2020-2024	2020-2029
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029		
Authorization	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	3,500	0	0	0	0	0	17,500	17,500
Estimated Outlays	35	210	1,260	2,660	3,360	3,465	3,290	2,240	840	140	7,525	17,500

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