The proposal would extend by one year the period during which qualified refugees and asylees can collect SSI. Under current law, refugees and asylees who entered the country after August 22, 1996, can collect SSI benefits for up to seven years. At that point, they lose eligibility unless they have become citizens. The proposal would temporarily extend the period of time that refugees and asylees may collect benefits from seven years to eight years, beginning at the start of Fiscal Year 2008 and ending at the end of Fiscal Year 2010. CBO estimates that the proposal would benefit approximately 4,800 refugees and asylees in Fiscal Year 2008 and 2,400 in Fiscal Year 2010.

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Includes effects on Supplemental Security Income benefits from one year of extra administrative funding to conduct additional CDRs and redeterminations. Medicaid effects are shown in budget function 550.

CDRs=Continuing Disability Reviews