

H.R. 192, Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership Program Act of 2020

As reported by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations on June 3, 2020

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2020	2020-2025	2020-2030
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	*	2	not estimated
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 2031?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No
* = between zero and \$500,000.			

H.R. 192 would codify the Trans-Sahara Counterterrorism Partnership (TSCTP), which coordinates federal support to counter violent extremism in North and West Africa. The TSCTP is an interagency effort led by the Department of State and coordinated with the Department of Defense and the U.S. Agency for International Development to help partner governments counter terrorist threats, improve governance, and prevent radicalization.

The bill would require the Department of State to develop and implement a comprehensive, interagency strategy for the TSCTP and to evaluate its progress. In addition, the department would be required to provide a comprehensive strategy to coordinate development programs, diplomatic efforts, and national security objectives in the Sahel-Maghreb region. H.R. 192 also would require the department to provide regular notifications and reports to the Congress on the TSCTP's implementation.

On the basis of information from the Administration, CBO estimates that many of the bill's requirements are already being met and that any incremental efforts, including monitoring, evaluating, and reporting, would cost less than \$500,000 in 2020 and total \$2 million over the 2020-2025 period. Such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Sunita D'Monte. The estimate was reviewed by Leo Lex, Deputy Director of Budget Analysis.