

**S. 629, GAO Database Modernization Act of 2021**

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs on July 14, 2021

| By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars  | 2021 | 2021-2026                           | 2021-2031     |
|--|------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| Direct Spending (Outlays)  | 0    | *                                   | *             |
| Revenues   | 0    | 0                                   | 0             |
| Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit  | 0    | *                                   | *             |
| Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)  | 0    | *                                   | not estimated |
| Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?  | Yes  | <b>Mandate Effects</b>              |               |
| Increases on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2032? | No   | Contains intergovernmental mandate? | No            |
|  |      | Contains private-sector mandate?    | No            |
| * = between zero and \$500,000.  |      |                                     |               |

S. 629 would require federal agencies to report to the Government Accountability Office (GAO) whenever the agency revokes, suspends, replaces, amends, or makes ineffective a rule. Such reports must include a description of the provisions of the rule. The requirement would terminate in six years.

Because the bill would not impose a significant additional administrative burden on federal agencies or GAO, CBO estimates that implementing the legislation would cost less than \$500,000 over the 2022-2026 period; any spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting S. 629 could affect direct spending by some agencies that are allowed to use fees, receipts from the sale of goods, and other collections to cover operating costs. CBO estimates that any net changes in direct spending by those agencies would be negligible because most of them can adjust amounts collected to reflect changes in operating costs.

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