

**H.R. 8681, John Lewis Civil Rights Fellowship Act of 2022**

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Foreign Affairs on September 14, 2022

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2022	2022-2027	2022-2032
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	5	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 2033?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No

H.R. 8681 would establish a new fellowship program under the Fulbright Program to promote the study of nonviolent civil rights movements. That educational program is managed by the Department of State and supports roughly 8,000 participants from the United States and other nations each year. Under the bill, the fellowship program would support at least 25 fellows from the United States to study or conduct research in foreign countries. Lastly, H.R. 8681 would require the department to report to the Congress on its implementation of the program.

On the basis of information from the Departments of State and Education about the cost of the Fulbright Program, CBO estimates that the 25 new fellows under the bill would each receive annual grants averaging \$37,500 in 2023. After adjusting that amount for expected inflation, CBO estimates that implementing the new fellowship program and providing the required reports would cost \$1 million each year and total \$5 million over the 2022-2027 period. Such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

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