

**H.R. 1376, COVID-19 Origin Act of 2023**

As ordered reported by the House Permanent Select Committee on Intelligence on March 7, 2023

| By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars  | 2023 | 2023-2028                                 | 2023-2033     |
|--|------|---|---------------|
| Direct Spending (Outlays)  | 0    | 0   | 0             |
| Revenues   | 0    | 0   | 0             |
| Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit  | 0    | 0   | 0             |
| Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)  | *    | *   | not estimated |
| Increases <i>net direct spending</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2034? | No   | Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply? | No            |
|  |      | <b>Mandate Effects</b>                    |               |
| Increases <i>on-budget deficits</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2034?  | No   | Contains intergovernmental mandate?       | No            |
|  |      | Contains private-sector mandate?          | No            |
| * = between zero and \$500,000.  |      |   |               |

H.R. 1376 would require the Director of National Intelligence, within 90 days of the bill's enactment, to declassify and report to the Congress all information on the potential links between the Wuhan Institute of Virology and the origin of COVID-19. CBO estimates that satisfying the bill's requirements would cost less than \$500,000 over the 2023-2028 period. Such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

On March 6, 2023, CBO transmitted a [cost estimate for S. 619](#), the COVID-19 Origin Act of 2023, as passed by the Senate on March 1, 2023. The two bills are identical, and CBO's estimates of their budgetary effects are the same.

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