

**S. 679, GAO Database Modernization Act of 2023**

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs on March 29, 2023

| By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars  | 2023      | 2023-2028                                 | 2023-2033     |
|--|-----------|---|---------------|
| Direct Spending (Outlays)  | *         | *   | *             |
| Revenues   | <b>0</b>  | <b>0</b>                                  | <b>0</b>      |
| Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit  | *         | *   | *             |
| 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? | <b>No</b> | Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply? | <b>Yes</b>    |
|  |           | <b>Mandate Effects</b>                    |               |
| Increases <i>on-budget deficits</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2034?  | <b>No</b> | Contains intergovernmental mandate?       | <b>No</b>     |
|  |           | Contains private-sector mandate?          | <b>No</b>     |
| * = between zero and \$500,000.  |           |   |               |

S. 679 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 2023-2028 period; any spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Enacting S. 679 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.



The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Matthew Pickford. The estimate was reviewed by H. Samuel Papenfuss, Deputy Director of Budget Analysis.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Phillip L. Swagel". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long, sweeping tail on the final letter.

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