

## H.R. 1786, Get Rewarding Outdoor Work for our Veterans Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on September 20, 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)	0	*	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. 1786 would require the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) to prepare an annual report on the Warrior Training Advancement Course. That course is implemented by VA to train service members who are separating from the armed forces for positions related to veteran benefit claims at VA regional offices.

The bill also would direct the Department of Labor to use the findings of those reports to establish guidelines and best practices for federal agencies to employ separating service members. In addition, the bill would require the Department of the Interior to establish a pilot program to hire veterans for its open positions in conservation and resources management, and to report to the Congress on the results of that program. CBO expects that the program would affect which people the department hires but would not materially change how many people it employs or require additional human resources personnel to implement.

Based on the costs of similar reports and activities, CBO estimates that satisfying the requirements of H.R. 1786 would cost less than \$500,000 over the 2023-2033 period. Any spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

See also

[CBO's Cost Estimates Explained](#), [CBO Describes Its Cost-Estimating Process](#), [Glossary](#)



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