

H.R. 7089, Global Anti-Human Trafficking Enhancement Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Foreign Affairs on February 6, 2024

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2024	2024-2029	2024-2034
Direct Spending (Outlays)	*	*	*
Revenues	*	*	*
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	*	*	*
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	0	*	*
Increases <i>net direct spending</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2035?	*	Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply? Yes	
Increases <i>on-budget deficits</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2035?	No	Mandate Effects	
		Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No
* = between -\$500,000 and \$500,000.			

H.R. 7089 would authorize diplomatic security agents of the Department of State to investigate slavery and human trafficking if part of the offense occurred outside the United States or involved a foreign national. Under current law, the Department of Justice investigates those offenses. Diplomatic security agents investigate passport and visa fraud, identity theft, and other federal offenses occurring in the special maritime and territorial jurisdiction of the United States. The bill would require the Department of State to submit an annual report to the Congress on its investigative activities. The bill's requirements would expire seven years after enactment.

By expanding the number of personnel who can investigate slavery and human trafficking, CBO expects that H.R. 7089 would slightly increase the number of successful criminal convictions. Based on an analysis of data for similar offenses from the U.S. Sentencing Commission, CBO estimates that a small number of people would pay criminal fines under the bill. Criminal fines are recorded as revenues, deposited into the Crime Victims Fund, and spent without further appropriation. CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 7089 would increase revenues and direct spending by less than \$500,000 and would, on net, reduce deficits by insignificant amounts over the 2024-2034 period.

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Based on the costs of similar activities, CBO estimates that the Department of State would incur less than \$500,000 over the 2024-2029 period in personnel and administrative costs to perform investigations and provide reports required under the bill. Such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

The CBO staff contacts for this estimate are Jeremy Crimm (for criminal penalties) and Sunita D'Monte (for the Department of State). The estimate was reviewed by Christina Hawley Anthony, Deputy Director of Budget Analysis.

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