

## H.R. 6248, Think Differently Transportation Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on January 31, 2024

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2024	2024-2029	2024-2034
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	0	0
Increases <i>net direct spending</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2035?	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 2035?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	Yes, Under Threshold

H.R. 6248 would require Amtrak to include the following information in its annual report to the Congress:

- An action plan to bring its rail cars and the stations that it serves into compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990, and
- A status report on which stations served by Amtrak are compliant with that law.

Because Amtrak is considered a nonfederal entity, CBO estimates that enacting the bill would have no effect on the federal budget.

The bill would expand an existing private-sector mandate as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) by requiring Amtrak to include additional information in its annual reports to the Congress. This would incrementally increase the cost of preparing those reports. CBO estimates the annual cost incurred by Amtrak from that requirement would be well below the threshold for private-sector mandates established in UMRA (\$200 million in 2024, adjusted annually for inflation).

H.R. 6248 contains no intergovernmental mandates as defined in UMRA.

See also

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



The CBO staff contacts for this estimate are Kelly Durand (for federal costs) and Brandon Lever (for mandates). The estimate was reviewed by H. Samuel Papenfuss, Deputy Director of Budget Analysis.

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