

H.R. 6421, Affordable HOMES Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Energy and Commerce on December 5, 2023

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

H.R. 6421 would repeal the authority for the Department of Energy (DOE) to establish energy conservation standards for manufactured housing and would prohibit DOE from implementing the rule, “Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Manufactured Housing,” as published in the *Federal Register* in May 2022.¹ Manufacturers must comply with that rule at different times depending on the type of home they manufacture; however, CBO expects none would be required to comply until 2025.

Under current law, manufacturers that do not comply with DOE’s standards for manufactured housing would be liable for civil penalties, which are recorded in the budget as revenues. Accordingly, enacting the bill could reduce revenues if fewer civil penalties were collected. Based on the number of cases likely to be affected, CBO estimates that any effect under the bill would reduce revenues by an insignificant amount over the 2024-2034 period.

CBO estimates that implementing the bill would reduce spending subject to appropriation by less than \$500,000 because the bill would lessen DOE’s requirement to establish energy

1. See Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, Department of Energy, “Energy Conservation Program: Energy Conservation Standards for Manufactured Housing,” Final Rule, 87 *Fed. Reg.* 32728 (May 31, 2022), <http://tinyurl.com/mrtecmx2>.



conservation standards. Any reduction in spending would depend on future appropriations being reduced by the estimated amount.

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

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