

S. 138, Promoting a Resolution to the Tibet-China Dispute Act

As reported by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations on May 7, 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)	*	*	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?	No
		Mandate Effects	
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?	No
* = between zero and \$500,000.			

S. 138 would amend the Tibetan Policy Act of 2022 (Public Law 107-228) to expand the responsibilities of the Special Coordinator for Tibetan Issues to include countering Chinese disinformation about Tibet. The bill would allow the use of funds authorized for countering China’s influence to be used to refute that disinformation. It also would expand an existing reporting requirement to include information on efforts undertaken as a result of the bill.

On the basis of information about the Special Coordinator for Tibetan Issues and ongoing programs to counter Chinese influence, including in Tibet, CBO estimates that satisfying the bill’s requirements to counter Chinese disinformation about Tibet would be fulfilled under existing programs and that expanding the existing report would cost less than \$500,000 over the 2024-2029 period. Any spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

On December 15, 2023, CBO transmitted [a cost estimate for H.R. 533](#), the Promoting a Resolution to the Tibet-China Dispute Act, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Foreign Affairs on November 29, 2023. The two bills are similar, and CBO’s estimates of their budgetary effects are the same.

See also

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



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