

H.R. 5419, Enhancing Administrative Reviews for Broadband Deployment Act

As reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on February 24, 2026

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2026	2026-2031	2026-2036
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 2037?	No	Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply? No	
Increases <i>on-budget deficits</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2037?	No	Mandate Effects	
		Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No
* = between zero and \$500,000.			

H.R. 5419 would require the Departments of Agriculture and the Interior to review their administrative and regulatory processes for easements, licenses, leases, rights-of-way, and other land use applications related to broadband deployment. The bill would direct the agencies to identify opportunities to streamline those approval processes and report their findings to the Congress.

Based on the cost of similar activities and reports, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 5419 would have an insignificant cost over the 2026-2031 period. Any related spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

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