

H.R. 6498, Student Financial Clarity Act of 2025

As reported by the House Committee on Education and Workforce on January 21, 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)	*	3	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
Mandate Effects			
Increases <i>on-budget deficits</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2037?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No
* = between zero and \$500,000.			

H.R. 6498 would require the Department of Education to update its College Scorecard website to provide more detailed data on each program of study at postsecondary institutions that receive federal student aid. The bill would require the department to establish a universal net price calculator for students to more easily compare the costs of academic programs at different postsecondary institutions. The bill also would require the department to assess the usefulness of that calculator.

Based on the costs of similar activities, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 6498 would cost \$3 million over the 2026-2031 period. Any related spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

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