



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 1178

**A bill to direct the Comptroller General of the United States
to conduct a study on the use of Civil Air Patrol personnel
and resources to support homeland security missions,
and for other purposes**

*As ordered reported by House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure
on April 2, 2009*

H.R. 1178 would direct the Government Accountability Office (GAO) to prepare a report to the Congress on the capability of the Civil Air Patrol to assist the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and state, local, and tribal governments with operations relating to border security, disaster response, and other activities. The bill would require DHS to review the GAO study and prepare its own report to the Congress on use of the Civil Air Patrol to support homeland security activities.

Based on the costs of similar studies, CBO estimates that it would cost less than \$1 million over the 2009-2010 period for GAO and DHS to complete the reports required by the bill, subject to the availability of appropriated funds. Enacting the bill would not affect direct spending or revenues.

H.R. 1178 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would impose no costs on state, local, and tribal governments.

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