

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

September 10, 2010

H.R. 5815 Inspector General Authority Improvement Act of 2010

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform on July 28, 2010

H.R. 5815 would amend the Inspector General Act of 1978 to expand the subpoena authority of inspectors general at some agencies, require additional reports, and codify, clarify, and make technical changes to various authorities of inspectors general.

Based on information from several agencies, CBO estimates that any additional administrative costs or savings from implementing H.R. 5815 would not be significant over the 2011-2015 period. The legislation would affect direct spending by agencies not funded through annual appropriations, such as the Tennessee Valley Authority, the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and the National Credit Union Administration; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures apply. However, CBO estimates that any net increase in spending by those agencies also would not be significant. Enacting H.R. 5815 would not affect revenues.

H.R. 5815 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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