



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 1210 **Arthritis Prevention, Control, and Cure Act of 2010**

*As ordered reported by the House Committee on Energy and Commerce
on September 23, 2010*

SUMMARY

H.R. 1210 would authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services to fund activities relating to the control, prevention, and surveillance of arthritis and other rheumatic diseases. Assuming appropriation of the specified amounts, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1210 would cost \$52 million over the 2011-2015 period. Enacting H.R. 1210 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

H.R. 1210 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA).

ESTIMATED COST TO THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The estimated budgetary impact of H.R. 1210 is shown in the following table. The costs of this legislation fall within budget function 550 (health).

	By Fiscal Year, in Millions of Dollars					
	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2011- 2015
CHANGES IN SPENDING SUBJECT TO APPROPRIATION						
Authorization Level	0	15	16	18	19	68
Estimated Outlays	0	5	13	16	18	52

BASIS OF ESTIMATE

H.R. 1210 would authorize the Secretary of Health and Human Services, in coordination with the Center for Disease Control and Prevention, to award grants to public or private nonprofit entities for research, training, and other activities relating to the control, prevention, and surveillance of arthritis and other rheumatic diseases. The bill also would authorize the Director of the National Institutes of Health to expand and intensify programs designed to improve the outcome and quality of life for children with arthritis. In addition, the bill would authorize the Health Resources and Services Administration to award training grants to institutions to support pediatric rheumatology training.

H.R. 1210 would authorize the appropriation of \$68 million for fiscal years 2012 through 2015 and an additional \$21 million for fiscal year 2016. Based on historical spending patterns for similar activities, and assuming appropriation of the specified amounts, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 1210 would cost \$52 million over the 2011-2015 period and an additional \$37 million after 2015.

PAY-AS-YOU-GO CONSIDERATIONS: None.

INTERGOVERNMENTAL AND PRIVATE-SECTOR IMPACT

H.R. 1210 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in UMRA. Grant activities authorized in the bill would benefit state, local, and tribal governments.

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