



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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S. 3250

Sexual Assault Forensic Evidence Registry Act of 2012

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on September 20, 2012

CBO estimates that implementing S. 3250 would have no significant cost to the federal government. Enacting the legislation would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply.

Current law authorizes the appropriation of \$151 million for each of fiscal years 2013 and 2014 for the Department of Justice (DOJ) to make grants to state and local governments for programs to collect and analyze DNA samples from crime scenes. S. 3250 would permit those grants to be used for additional purposes, including conducting audits of certain evidence in sexual assault cases and establishing a national registry for evidence in such cases. Because the bill does not change the funding levels for the grant program, CBO estimates that implementing S. 3250 would not significantly affect DOJ spending.

S. 3250 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

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