

H.R. 9151, Protecting American Industry and Labor from International Trade Crimes Act of 2024 As ordered reported by the House Committee on the Judiciary on September 25, 2024 By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars 2025 2025-2029 2025-2034 0 0 0 **Direct Spending (Outlays)** 0 0 0 Revenues Increase or Decrease (-) 0 0 0 in the Deficit Spending Subject to 5 50 not estimated **Appropriation (Outlays)** Increases net direct spending in Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply? No any of the four consecutive 10-year No periods beginning in 2035? **Mandate Effects** Contains intergovernmental mandate? No Increases on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year No periods beginning in 2035? Contains private-sector mandate? No

H.R. 9151 would require the Department of Justice (DOJ) to establish a unit within its criminal division to investigate and prosecute trade-related crimes, including the evasion of sanctions, tariffs, or duties; trade-based money laundering; and smuggling. The bill also would require DOJ to report annually to the Congress on the unit's activities.

Based on the costs of similar programs and activities, CBO estimates that DOJ would need 10 people, at an average annual cost of \$250,000 per person in 2025, and \$8 million annually in administrative costs to implement the bill's requirements. Accounting for anticipated inflation, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 9151 would cost \$50 million over the 2025-2029 period. Any related spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

The costs of the legislation, detailed in Table 1, fall within budget function 750 (administration of justice).

Table 1.
Estimated Increases in Spending Subject to Appropriation Under H.R. 9151

	By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars					
	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2025-2029
Estimated Authorization	5	11	12	12	12	52
Estimated Outlays	5	10	11	12	12	50

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