

H.R. 5012, SHINE for Autumn Act of 2023

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Energy and Commerce on June 12, 2024

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2025	2025-2029	2025-2034
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0
Revenues	0	0	0
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	4	35	not estimated
Increases <i>net direct spending</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2035?	No	Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	No
		Mandate Effects	
Increases <i>on-budget deficits</i> in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2035?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No

H.R. 5012 would authorize several activities of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) related to research on stillbirths. Specifically, the bill would authorize \$6 million annually over the 2024-2028 period for HHS to make grants to states to conduct surveillance and collect data on the incidence of and risk factors for stillbirths. The bill would direct HHS to issue guidelines for that data collection. The bill also would authorize \$3 million annually over the same period to establish a fellowship program that would provide training in perinatal autopsy pathology; fund research on data collection from fetal autopsies; and address challenges in education, research, and data collection concerning stillbirths. Finally, H.R. 5012 would require HHS to report to the Congress on the fellowship program’s progress and effectiveness.

Based on the costs of similar activities, CBO estimates that it would cost \$1 million for HHS to complete the required report. Assuming appropriation of the specified and estimated amounts, and using historical spending patterns for similar activities, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 5012 would cost \$35 million over the 2025-2029 period.

The costs of the legislation, detailed in Table 1, fall within budget function 550 (health).



Table 1.
Estimated Increases in Spending Subject to Appropriation Under H.R. 5012

	By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars					2025-2029
	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	
Estimated Authorization	9	9	9	9	1	37
Estimated Outlays	4	7	9	9	6	35

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