

H.R. 8068, Stop the Baseline Bloat Act of 2024

As ordered reported by the House Committee on the Budget on September 25, 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)	0	0	0
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. 8068 would amend the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act of 1985 to change how the discretionary spending baseline is projected in the baseline. Under the bill, budgetary resources designated as an emergency requirement or provided in supplemental appropriation laws would no longer be projected in the discretionary spending baseline in subsequent years.

CBO separately accounts for emergency and supplemental spending and provides projections that exclude such spending to the Congress. CBO anticipates that under the bill, we would also provide alternative projections that include those emergency and supplemental appropriations. As a result, CBO estimates that implementing the bill would not change CBO's workload or affect the federal budget.

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