

CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

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H.R. 3284

Joint Counterterrorism Awareness Workshop Series Act of 2017

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Homeland Security on July 26, 2017

H.R. 3284 would authorize the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) to carry out a training program for counterterrorism awareness in consultation with the National Counterterrorism Center and the Federal Bureau of Investigation. The program would provide information, training, and other resources related to preventing, responding to, and recovering from terrorist attacks. The bill would authorize the appropriation of \$1 million to implement the program.

Under current law, FEMA performs most of the activities authorized under H.R. 3284 through its Joint Counterterrorism Awareness Workshop under the National Exercise Program (NEP). In 2017, \$1 million was allocated to NEP for those workshops.

CBO estimates that fully implementing the bill and conducting the training program each year over the 2018-2022 period would cost a total of about \$5 million. That estimate is based on historical spending needs for the NEP; the spending would be subject to the availability of appropriations.

Enacting H.R. 3284 would not affect direct spending or revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply. CBO estimates that enacting H.R. 3284 would not increase net direct spending or on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2028.

H.R. 3284 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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