

S. 253, Streamlining Energy Efficiency for Schools Act

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Energy and Natural Resources on July 16, 2019.

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2019	2019-2024	2019-2029
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	2	not estimated
Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	No	Mandate Effects	
Increases on-budget deficits in any of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2030?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No

S. 253 would designate the Department of Energy as the lead agency to coordinate and disseminate information on existing federal programs that aim to help initiate, develop, and finance energy efficiency, renewable energy, and retrofit projects in schools.

Using information about the cost of similar efforts, CBO estimates that implementing S. 253 would cost \$2 million over the 2020-2024 period. Any spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds. Those costs would stem from coordinating and collaborating among federal agencies, providing technical assistance to states, and creating an online resource for schools. CBO estimates that the department would need three new employees to carry out these duties, at an annual cost of about \$500,000.

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