

S. 1590, Rescuing Animals With Rewards Act of 2019 As reported by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations on September 26, 2019			
By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2020	2020-2024	2020-2029
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	0	0
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 mand	date? No
		Contains private-sector mandate	? No

S. 1590 would authorize the Department of State to pay cash for information about wildlife trafficking. The department currently pays cash awards from appropriated funds to deter transnational organized crime. The bill would include wildlife trafficking such as poaching and illegal trade in wildlife as a form of transnational organized crime. However, the department is already using the program to offer rewards for that purpose.

Because the bill would codify current practice, CBO estimates that implementing S. 1590 would not affect the federal budget.

On April 15, 2019, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 97, the Rescuing Animals With Rewards Act of 2019, as ordered reported by the House Committee on Foreign Affairs on April 9, 2019. The two bills are similar, and CBO's estimates of their budgetary effects are the same.

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