

H.R. 3068, Offshore Wind Jobs and Opportunity Act

As ordered reported by the House Committee on Natural Resources on January 15, 2020

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2020	2020-2025	2020-2030		
Direct Spending (Outlays)	0	0	0		
Revenues	0	0	0		
Increase or Decrease (-) in the Deficit	0	0	0		
Spending Subject to Appropriation (Outlays)	1	116	125		
Statutory pay-as-you-go procedures apply?	Νο	Mandate Effects			
Increases on-budget deficits in any	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate? No			
of the four consecutive 10-year periods beginning in 2031?		Contains private-sector mandate? No			

H.R 3068 would authorize the appropriation of \$25 million for each year from 2020 through 2024 for grants to support training programs for those seeking careers in the offshore wind industry. The Secretary of the Interior could award the grants to intuitions of higher learning and labor organizations for various purposes, including basic and occupational training, retraining, certification programs, and other forms of assistance.

Based on historical spending patterns for similar programs, CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 3068 would cost \$116 million over the 2020-2025 period, and \$9 million after 2025, assuming the appropriation of the authorized amounts. The estimated costs, detailed in Table 1, fall within budget function 300 (natural resources and the environment).

Table 1. Estimated Increases in Spending Subject to Appropriation Under H.R. 3068										
By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars										
	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025	2020-2025			
Authorization Estimated Outlays	25 1	25 3	25 21	25 39	25 28	0 24	125 116			

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