

S. 115, Protecting Tourism in the United States Act

As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation on April 28, 2021

By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars	2021	2021-2026	2021-2031
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	4	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 2032?	No	Contains intergovernmental mandate?	No
		Contains private-sector mandate?	No

S. 115 would require the Department of Commerce to study and report to the Congress on the effects of the coronavirus pandemic on the travel and tourism industry. The department would consult with private-sector entities, conduct interim and final studies, prepare reports based on economic data, and provide recommendations to assist the affected industries.

Using information from the department, CBO expects that implementing the bill would cost about \$2 million annually for 2022 and 2023; such spending would be subject to the availability of appropriated funds. Those amounts would cover the compensation of seven staff members, at an average annual cost of \$200,000 each, and data contracts necessary for the studies and reports.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is David Hughes. The estimate was reviewed by H. Samuel Papenfuss, Deputy Director of Budget Analysis.