

Estimated Budgetary Effects of Rules Committee Print 117-32 for H.R. 3076, the Postal Service Reform Act of 2022, as Posted on February 3, 2022, and as Amended by Amendment #1, the Manager's Amendment, as Posted on February 4, 2022

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		By Fiscal Year, Millions of Dollars										
	2022	2023	2024	2025	2026	2027	2028	2029	2030	2031	2022-2026	2022-2031
	Increases or Decreases (-) in Direct Spending Outlays											
Title I. Postal Service Financial Reforms												
Postal Service Health Benefits Program												
Medicare (On-budget)	_		_									
Part B outlays	0	0	0	106	169	211	263	324	394	473	275	1,941
Part B offsetting receipts ^a Part D outlays	0	0	0 0	-57 535	-74 558	-85 583	-99 679	-114 564	-132 663	-152 692	-131 1,093	-713 4,274
Postal Service Health Benefits											.,	,,
Payments for USPS employees' premiums (Off-budget)	0	0	0	-263	-375	-403	-439	-472	-489	-539	-638	-2,980
Payments for USPS annuitants' premiums												_,
from PSRHBF (On-budget)	0	0	0	-233	-335	-364	-396	-439	-456	-507	-568	-2,731
Payments for Medicare late-enrollment penalties												
from PSRHBF (On-budget)	0	0	0	31	31	32	33	33	34	34	62	228
Federal share of USPS annuitants' premium payments (On-budget)	0	0	0	-17	-22	-20	-17	-14	-8	-8	-39	-106
USPS payments to PSRHBF (On-budget)	0	0	0	0	-109	-228	-357	-497	-541	-565	-109	-2,297
USPS payments to PSRHBF (Off-budget)	0	0	0	0	109	228	357	497	541	565	109	2,297
Federal Employees Health Benefits Program												
Payments for nonpostal annuitants' premiums (On-budget)	0	0	0	-64	-88	-93	-98	-103	-108	-113	-153	-668
Funding for Implementation												
Federal agencies' costs (On-budget)	32	26	18	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	94	94
Funds credited by USPS (Off-budget)	94	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	94	94
Funds credited by USPS (On-budget)	-94	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-94	-94
Title II. Postal Service Operational Reforms												
Postal Service Regulatory Commission (Off-budget)	0	18	19	19	20	21	21	22	23	24	76	187
Other Operational Costs (Off-budget)	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2	8	16
Total Changes in Direct Spending	35	46	38	75	-114	-116	-118	-131	-78	-95	80	-458
Estimated On-Budget Direct Spending	-62	26	18	318	130	36	-26	-211	-155	-147	430	-73
Estimated Off-Budget Direct Spending	96	20	20	-243	-244	-153	-91	81	77	51	-351	-386
	Decreases (-) in Spending Subject to Appropriation											
FEHB payments for nonpostal employees' premiums (On-budget)	V I V I V I V I V I V I V I V I V I V I											
Estimated Authorization	0	0	0	-82	-113	-117	-121	-126	-131	-137	-194	-827
Estimated Outlays	0	0	0	-82	-113	-117	-121	-126	-131	-137	-194	-827
Postal Service Regulatory Commission (Off-budget)												
Estimated Authorization	0	-18	-19	-19	-20	-21	-21	-22	-23	-24	-76	-187
Estimated Outlays	0	-18	-19	-19	-20	-21	-21	-22	-23	-24	-76	-187
Total Changes in Spending Subject to Appropriation												
Estimated Authorization	0	-18	-19	-101	-133	-138	-142	-148	-154	-161	-270	-1,014
Estimated Outlays	0	-18	-19	-101	-133	-138	-142	-148	-154	-161	-270	-1,014



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Components may not sum to totals because of rounding. Total estimated budget authority equals total outlays. Estimates are relative to CBO's July 2021 baseline.

FEHB = Federal Employees Health Benefits; PSRHBF = Postal Service Retiree Health Benefits Fund; USPS = Postal Service.

See Rules Committee Print: https://rules.house.gov/sites/democrats.rules.house.gov/files/BILLS-117HR3076RH-RCP117-32.pdf and Managers Amendment: https://amendments-rules.house.gov/amendments/MA xml220204102304197.pdf

The committee print with the manager's amendment of H.R. 3076 would require all USPS workers, annuitants, and dependents to enroll in the new Postal Service Health Benefits program. Certain USPS annuitants and their dependents who are eligible to enroll in Medicare Part B would be required to do so. On net, CBO estimates that enacting the legislation would reduce direct spending, primarily because spending on prescription drugs for USPS annuitants would be covered under Part D, where manufacturers pay statutory discounts. The mechanisms in this version of H.R. 3076 are similar to a version of the bill that CBO analyzed in July 2021. Relative to that version of H.R. 3076, this legislation would require more USPS annuitants to enroll in Part D, which would require manufacturers to pay more discounts. A link to a complete description of that analysis can be found here: https://www.cbo.gov/publication/57356.

USPS cash flows are recorded in the Postal Service Fund and are classified as off-budget; the cash flows of other accounts affected by H.R. 3076 are classified as on-budget.

CBO has determined that H.R. 3076 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act.

a. Offsetting receipts include Part B premiums paid by enrollees and late-enrollment penalty payments made by USPS on behalf of postal retirees who enroll in Part B using the special enrollment period that would be established under the bill.