



**CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE**

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**S. 1886
Counterfeit Drug Penalty Enhancement Act of 2011**

As reported by the Senate Committee on the Judiciary on December 8, 2011

CBO estimates that implementing S. 1886 would have no significant costs to the federal government. Enacting the bill could affect direct spending and revenues; therefore, pay-as-you-go procedures apply. However, CBO estimates that any effects would be insignificant for each year.

S. 1886 would increase the maximum penalties, including fines, for trafficking in counterfeit drugs. Because those prosecuted and convicted under S. 1886 would be subject to increased criminal fines, the federal government might collect additional fines if the legislation is enacted. Criminal fines are recorded as revenues, deposited in the Crime Victims Fund, and later spent. CBO expects that any additional revenues and direct spending would not be significant because of the small number of additional cases likely to be affected.

S. 1886 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act and would not affect the budgets of state, local, or tribal governments.

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