



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE  
COST ESTIMATE

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**S. 579**

**A bill to direct the Secretary of State to develop a strategy to obtain observer status for Taiwan at the triennial International Civil Aviation Organization Assembly, and for other purposes**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Foreign Relations  
on May 14, 2013*

S. 579 would require the Secretary of State to develop a strategy to obtain observer status for Taiwan at the triennial International Civil Aviation Organization Assembly to be held in Montreal, Canada, in September 2013 and at other such activities in the future. The bill would require the Secretary to submit a report to the Congress within 30 days of enactment describing that strategy.

CBO estimates that enacting S. 579 would result in no significant additional costs to the federal government because neither the strategy nor the report would add significantly to the State Department's workload. Pay-as-you-go procedures do not apply to this legislation because it would not affect direct spending or revenues.

S. 579 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.

The CBO staff contact for this estimate is Sunita D'Monte. The estimate was approved by Theresa Gullo, Deputy Assistant Director for Budget Analysis.