



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE
COST ESTIMATE

June 15, 2009

H.R. 1752

A bill to provide that the usual day for paying of salaries in or under the House of Representatives may be established by regulations of the Committee on House Administration, and for other purposes

As ordered reported by the Committee on House Administration on June 10, 2009

H.R. 1752 would authorize the Committee on House Administration to change the pay cycle for employees of the House of Representatives. Assuming that the committee would promulgate regulations to pay some or all House staff members, who are currently paid on a monthly basis, on some other schedule (most likely bi-weekly or semi-monthly), CBO estimates that one-time costs to modify or purchase required computer systems would total about \$1 million over the next two years, subject to the availability of appropriated funds.

Paying staff salaries more often than monthly also could result in a one-time shift in outlays from one fiscal year to the next, but CBO estimates that any such change would be small and would not significantly change spending in fiscal year 2009 or 2010. Enacting H.R. 1752 would not affect direct spending or revenues. The bill would only apply to employees paid by the House; payments to Members would not be affected.

H.R. 1752 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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