



October 19, 2009

Honorable Henry A. Waxman
Chairman
Committee on Energy and Commerce
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

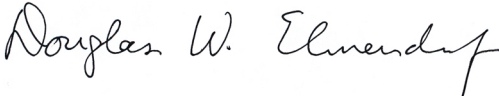
The Congressional Budget Office has reviewed H.R. 3792, the Ryan White HIV/AIDS Treatment Extension Act of 2009, as ordered reported by the Committee on Energy and Commerce on October 15, 2009, and determined that the bill would have no impact on direct spending or revenues. The bill would reauthorize the Ryan White program in title XXVI of the Public Health Service Act and would authorize appropriations for purposes specified in the bill. CBO has not completed an estimate of the legislation's impact on spending subject to appropriation.

H.R. 3792 would impose intergovernmental and private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act (UMRA) because it would require public and private medical facilities to comply with new procedures for notifying emergency response employees of possible exposures to an infectious disease. CBO estimates that the costs of the mandates would fall below the annual thresholds established in UMRA for both intergovernmental and private-sector mandates (\$69 million and \$139 million in 2009, respectively, adjusted annually for inflation). In general, funds authorized in the bill would benefit state, local, and tribal governments that participate in medical and other support programs for individuals with HIV/AIDS.

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If you wish further details, we will be pleased to provide them. The CBO staff contact is Lisa Ramirez-Branum.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Douglas W. Elmendorf".

Douglas W. Elmendorf
Director

Enclosure

cc: Honorable Joe Barton
Ranking Member

Honorable John M. Spratt Jr.
Chairman
Committee on the Budget

Honorable Paul Ryan
Ranking Member