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# H. R. 8341

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 10, 2024

Mr. CLOUD (for himself, Mr. CASE, Mr. MEUSER, Mr. GOLDEN of Maine, and Mr. MCCLINTOCK) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Rules, and in addition to the Committee on the Budget, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*  
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Cost Estimates Im-  
5 provement Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CBO AND JCT ESTIMATES TO INCLUDE DEBT SERV-**  
2 **ICING COSTS.**

3 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—The Congressional Budget and  
4 Impoundment Control Act of 1974 (2 U.S.C. 621 et seq.)  
5 is amended by inserting after section 402 the following:

6 “ESTIMATES TO INCLUDE DEBT SERVICING COSTS

7 “SEC. 403. Any estimate prepared by the Director  
8 of the Congressional Budget Office under section 402, and  
9 any estimate prepared by the Joint Committee on Tax-  
10 ation, shall include, to the extent practicable, the costs (if  
11 any) of servicing the public debt.”.

12 (b) **CLERICAL AMENDMENT.**—The table of contents  
13 of such Act is amended by inserting after the item relating  
14 to section 402 the following:

“403. Estimates to include debt servicing costs.”.

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