

tion (a) would be effective on January 1, 1987. Section 503 of this bill would not apply to current or future reports, notifications, and studies required by joint explanatory statements of conference reports or by committee reports. The requirements of such statements and reports are normally limited to one-time submissions.

Subsection (b) of section 503 would provide that subsection (a) would not apply to any provision of law enacted on or after the date of enactment of this bill. In addition, subsection (b) would exempt 76 current provisions of law that require the submission of certain reports, notifications, and studies. The exempted provisions of law equate to 135 of the current reporting requirements. As a result, the Committee recommends that 268 reporting requirements, or two-thirds of the current total, be waived.

#### SEC. 504. EFFECTIVE DATE

Section 504 of this bill would specify the effective date of this bill, the Department of Defense Reorganization Act of 1986. Section 504 would provide that the provisions of this bill and the amendments made by this bill, except as otherwise provided in this bill, shall take effect on such date or dates as the Secretary of Defense may specify. However, section 504 would require that the effective date or dates specified by the Secretary of Defense may not be later than 180 days after the date of enactment of this bill. The Committee believes that the Secretary of Defense should have flexibility in managing the implementation of the provisions of this bill. Some provisions could be implemented immediately; others would require some preparatory work.

#### COMMITTEE ACTION

On March 6, 1986, the Committee on Armed Services, a quorum being present, agreed to report this bill, S. 2295, by a vote of 19 to 0.

#### FISCAL DATA

##### CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE ESTIMATE

In compliance with clause (1) of paragraph 11(a) of rule XXVI of the Standing Rules of the Senate, the estimate prepared by the Congressional Budget Office and submitted pursuant to section 403 of the Congressional Budget Act of 1974 is included below:

U.S. CONGRESS,  
CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE,  
*Washington, DC, April 8, 1986.*

Hon. BARRY GOLDWATER,  
*Chairman, Committee on Armed Services,  
U.S. Senate, Washington, DC.*

DEAR MR. CHAIRMAN: The Congressional Budget Office has reviewed a bill to reorganize and strengthen certain elements of the Department of Defense as ordered reported by the Senate Armed Services Committee on March 6, 1986.