

**FISCAL ESTIMATE FORM**

**1999 Session**

- ORIGINAL       UPDATED  
 CORRECTED       SUPPLEMENTAL

**LRB # LRB-2574/1**

**Introduction # AB 342**

**Admin. Rule #**

**Subject: Prohibiting charter schools and private schools that participate in the Milwaukee parental choice program from discriminating against pupils.**

**Fiscal Effect**

State:  No State Fiscal Effect **Indeterminable**

Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or affects a sum sufficient appropriation.

Increase Costs - May be possible to Absorb Within Agency's Budget  Yes  No

- Increase Existing Appropriation       Increase Existing Revenues  
 Decrease Existing Appropriation       Decrease Existing Revenues  
 Create New Appropriation

Decrease Costs

Local:  No local government costs

**Indeterminable**

1.  Increase Costs  
      Permissive  Mandatory  
 2.  Decrease Costs  
      Permissive  Mandatory

3.  Increase Revenues  
      Permissive  Mandatory  
 4.  Decrease Revenues  
      Permissive  Mandatory

5. Types of Local Governmental Units Affected:  
 Towns       Villages       Cities  
 Counties       Others \_\_\_\_\_  
 School Districts       WTCS Districts

**Fund Sources Affected**

- GPR     FED     PRO     PRS     SEG

SEG-S

**Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**

**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate:**

Under current law, no person may be denied admission to any public school or be denied participation in, be denied the benefits of or be discriminated against in any program or activity because of the person's sex, race, religion, national origin, ancestry, creed, pregnancy, marital or parental status, sexual orientation or physical, mental, emotional or learning disability. Each school board must have written policies and procedures to implement this prohibition. The policies and procedures must provide for receiving and investigating complaints regarding violations of the prohibition and for making determinations as to whether the prohibition has been developed.

Current law provides that any complainant who receives a negative determination from a school board may appeal that decision to the state superintendent of public instruction, whose decision is subject to judicial review. Current law also imposes a forfeiture of up to \$1,000 against any public school official, employee or teacher who intentionally violates the prohibition against discrimination.

This bill makes all the above provisions applicable to those private schools that participate in the Milwaukee parental choice program (with respect to the pupils attending schools under the program) and to charter schools.

Costs to individual charter and Milwaukee private choice schools are related to the \$1,000 forfeiture for violation of the discrimination provision. These costs are indeterminable.

The bill may increase discrimination appeals and associated costs to the department. These costs are indeterminable.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications:**

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