

LRB or Bill No./Adm. Rule No. AB 4/ LRB-0318/1
Amendment No. if Applicable

FISCAL ESTIMATE
DOA-2048 N

- ORIGINAL UPDATED
 CORRECTED SUPPLEMENTAL

Subject

This bill requires health plans to cover treatment of a condition by an acupuncturist if the same condition would be covered if treated by a physician.

Fiscal Effect

State: No State Fiscal Effect

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

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| 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory | 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenues
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory
4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenues
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory | 5. Types of Local Governmental Units Affected:
<input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Villages <input type="checkbox"/> Cities
<input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others _____
<input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts |
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Fund Sources Affected

- GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEG-S

Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The office of the Commissioner of Insurance (OCI) reviews policy forms to ensure compliance with Wisconsin's laws and regulations, and responds to complaints. Ensuring that insurers comply with the requirements of this bill will be fulfilled as part of the standard activities of the office. Any additional costs will be absorbed by OCI.

In accordance with s. 601.423, Wis. Stats., the OCI is currently preparing the mandated study on the fiscal and social impacts of new mandated insurance benefits.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The cost of notifying insurers of the change and reviewing revised policy and form language would be absorbed within existing resources, and there would be no fiscal effect for the agency.

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