

**FISCAL ESTIMATE**

DOA-2048 N(R10/96)

- ORIGINAL       UPDATED  
 CORRECTED       SUPPLEMENTAL

LRB or Bill No./Adm. Rule No.  
LRB-3957/2 AB0814

Amendment No. if Applicable

**Subject**  
MA Eligibility Outstationed Workers and CARES Modification Plan

**Fiscal Effect**

State:  No State Fiscal Effect

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

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

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

Local:  No local government costs

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**

This bill authorizes a person who determines eligibility for MA, other than a person located in a DHFS office or county department of human services or of social services, to review and update the existing records of any MA applicant who is seeking an MA eligibility determination from the person, regardless of whether the individual's case is assigned to the person. This bill also requires DWD to provide a person who determines MA eligibility with access to the CARES system so that the person may review and update an applicant's records on the CARES system.

Finally, this bill requires DFHS and DWD to jointly develop a plan to modify the CARES system so that the system may be used to determine an applicant's eligibility for a particular public assistance benefit independently of the applicant's eligibility for other public assistance benefits. DHFS and DWD must submit the plan to the joint committee on finance no later than September 1, 2000.

This bill, in and of itself, is expected to have no fiscal effect since it only requires DHFS and DWD to submit a plan. However, it is likely that there would be an additional cost if the plan were to be implemented since it is likely such a plan would require programming changes in the CARES system.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

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