

**FISCAL ESTIMATE**

DOA-2048 N(R10/96)

- ORIGINAL
- UPDATED
- CORRECTED
- SUPPLEMENTAL

**Subject**

Public Service Commission Approvals of Certain Transactions Involving Telecommunication Utilities

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

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**

20.155(1)(g)

**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

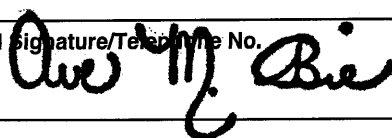
If this bill became law, it would require additional staff resources to investigate applications under Wis. Stat. § 196.80. Applications under this section would include, but not be limited to, mergers between large telecommunications providers, mergers between small telecommunications providers, and the sale of exchanges from one provider to another provider. It is estimated that compliance with this section of the law would require 2 FTE positions (Program and Planning Analyst 2's). This estimate is based on prior experience, experience of other states with similar laws, use of current staff, and the frequency of such applications. Since the level of activity for these types of transactions is uncertain due to the changing telecommunications industry and positioning of companies for competition, it may be appropriate for the positions to be authorized on a project basis. This would allow for an evaluation as to the ongoing level of activity of mergers, consolidations, and similar other transactions involving telecommunications utilities.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

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**FISCAL ESTIMATE WORKSHEET**

**1999 Session**

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect  
DOA-2047 (R10/96)

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LRB or Bill No./Adm. Rule No.  
SB 180

Amendment No.

**Subject**

Public Service Commission Approvals of Certain Transactions Involving Telecommunication Utilities

**I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):**

\$12,800

II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on State funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
<b>A. State Costs by Category</b>			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes		\$ 77,300	\$ -
(FTE Position Changes)		( 2.0 FTE)	(- FTE)
State Operations - Other Costs		8,400	-
Local Assistance			-
Aids to Individuals or Organizations			-
TOTAL State Costs by Category		\$ 85,700	\$ -
<b>B. State Costs by Source of Funds</b>		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
GPR		\$	\$ -
FED			-
PRO/PRS		85,700	-
SEG/SEG-S			-
<b>State Revenues</b> Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)		Increased Rev.	Decreased Rev.
GPR Taxes		\$	\$ -
GPR Earned			-
FED			-
PRO/PRS			-
SEG/SEG-S			-
TOTAL State Revenues		\$	\$ -

**NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT**

	STATE	LOCAL
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$ 85,700	\$ 0
NET CHANGE IN REVENUES	\$	\$

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