

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DNR 3/25/2003

LRB Number	03-1167/1	Introduction Number	AB-154	Estimate Type	Original
Subject					
Limit municipal sewage system refusal of septage from liquid waste carriers					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Bill Summary

Under current law, a municipal sewage system is generally required to accept and treat septage from a person who is licensed to service septic systems. The municipal sewage system can only refuse to accept and treat the septage if treatment of the septage would cause the sewage system to exceed its design capacity or to violate water quality standards or other legal requirements. This bill provides that a municipal sewage system may only refuse to accept and treat septage if the Department of Natural Resources has determined that treatment of the septage would cause the sewerage system to exceed its design capacity or to violate water quality standards or other legal requirements.

Fiscal Estimate

The Department would assume an increased workload in reviewing applications from publicly owned treatment works to determine whether the receipt of septage would cause the sewerage system to exceed its operating design capacity or to violate any applicable effluent limitations or standards, water quality standards, or any other legally applicable requirements. This determination would be required on an as-needed basis and would be at variable time intervals.

There are approximately 650 POTWs in the state with Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES) permits that are affected by this bill. The time interval for repeat reviews could vary from monthly to every 5 years at the time of permit reissuance. Assumptions include the following:

1. Average time for review = 3 hours
2. The 650 POTWs would on average fall into one of two groups: (a) 400 POTWs would receive reviews every 5 years at the time the permit is issued = $400 * 3 \text{ hours each} = 1,200 \text{ hours/5 years or } 240 \text{ hours per year}$. (b) 250 POTWs would receive reviews once a year = $250 * 3 \text{ hours each} = 750 \text{ hours per year}$. Total = $240 \text{ hours} + 750 \text{ hours} = 990 \text{ hours of work per year}$.
3. Review to be done by basin engineer @ \$27.88 per hour plus 40.81% fringe
4. Total cost = $\$27.88 * 990 \text{ hours} = \$27,601 * 1.4081 = \$38,865 \text{ per year}$.

This expense would be expected to be incurred each year.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2003 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

☒ Original
 ☐ Updated
 ☐ Corrected
 ☐ Supplemental

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$38,865		
(FTE Position Changes)	(0.5 FTE)		
State Operations - Other Costs			
Local Assistance			
Aids to Individuals or Organizations			
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$38,865	\$	
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
GPR	38,865		
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
III. State Revenues - 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	\$38,865	\$	
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$	\$	
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