

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number 03-2538/1	Introduction Number AB-362	Estimate Type Original
Subject Prohibit applying deductibles and coinsurance requirements to coverage of prescription drugs for diabetes		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The Office of 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 cost will be absorbed by OCI.

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

Local Governments may see some increase in health care costs as a result of prohibiting cost sharing provisions of health benefit plans as they would apply to diabetic prescription medication. However, OCI has no data related to the levels of cost sharing among the various local government health benefit plans, as well as the level of the coverages offered by insurers to local government. OCI is not able to determine what the additional cost would be to local government.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications