

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Subject Publication of municipal notices on the Internet and in shopper newspapers		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill authorizes municipalities to use alternative means for publishing legal notices including the municipality's Internet site. In June 2003, the Wisconsin City Clerk's Association conducted a survey of their membership to determine how much was being spent annually for public notices. Forty-four (44) municipalities responded with an estimated total expenditure of \$511,000. This sample is too small to reliably estimate the total expenditure for all municipalities. In addition there is no information available to estimate how many municipalities would use alternative publishing formats. Consequently no estimated savings can be calculated.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Unknown