

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	07-4086/1	Introduction Number	AB-0826	Estimate Type	Original
Description Driver education instruction and driver's license examinations					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

AB 826 creates an additional requirement for the information that must be included in driver education courses that are created by Wisconsin technical colleges and submitted for course approval to the Wisconsin Technical College System State Board.

The bill creates the new requirement that driver education courses include instruction on passing stopped emergency vehicles, tow trucks, and highway machinery equipment. This information is in addition to current requirements that courses provide instruction in: responding to hazards created by machinery and animals on highways; organ and tissue donation; and motorcycle, pedestrian and bicycle awareness.

The new requirements would require minor modifications to existing driver's education curriculum at the six technical colleges that offer basic driver's education courses. Local colleges would be required to address the costs of curriculum modifications according to provisions of local collective bargaining agreements.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

If additional colleges developed curriculum to offer basic driver's education courses, they would be required to include the additional educational requirements as part of their curriculum development. Including the additional requirement in new curriculum development would not create long-range fiscal implications.