



## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DNR 5/13/2009

LRB Number	09-1465/1	Introduction Number	AB-0257	Estimate Type	Original
<b>Description</b> The amount of the environmental surcharge					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Bill Summary: Currently, if a court imposes a forfeiture or fine on a person for a violation of an environmental law, the court must also impose an environmental surcharge equal to 10 percent of the amount of the forfeiture or fine. Environmental surcharges are deposited into the Environmental Management (EM) Account of the Environmental Fund and 50 percent of the amount of environmental surcharges is appropriated for environmental education grants awarded by the Environmental Education Board. This bill increases the environmental surcharge to 20 percent of a forfeiture or fine imposed for the violation of an environmental law.

Fiscal Estimate: Given the doubling of the percentage of the surcharge, the Department assumes the surcharge revenue will also double. Environmental surcharge revenue for the past three fiscal years has averaged approximately \$181,100 (FY05, \$192,900; FY06, \$270,000; FY07, \$90,200; FY08 \$171,400). Therefore, the Department assumes that this bill will increase surcharge revenues by approximately \$181,100 annually, which will in turn be split between the Environmental Management Account and the University of Wisconsin. The Department assumes there will be no fiscal impact to local governments resulting from this bill.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications

## Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2009 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

Original     
  Updated     
  Corrected     
  Supplemental

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<b>I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):</b>			
<b>II. Annualized Costs:</b>		<b>Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:</b>	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
<b>A. State Costs by Category</b>			
	State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$	\$
	(FTE Position Changes)		
	State Operations - Other Costs		
	Local Assistance		
	Aids to Individuals or Organizations		
	<b>TOTAL State Costs by Category</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>B. State Costs by Source of Funds</b>			
	GPR		
	FED		
	PRO/PRS		
	SEG/SEG-S		
<b>III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)</b>			
		Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
	GPR Taxes	\$	\$
	GPR Earned		
	FED		
	PRO/PRS		
	SEG/SEG-S	181,100	
	<b>TOTAL State Revenues</b>	<b>\$181,100</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT</b>			
		State	Local
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$181,100	\$
<b>Agency/Prepared By</b>		<b>Authorized Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
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