

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	09-3889/1	Introduction Number	AB-0791	Estimate Type	Original
Description The creation of a La Crosse County regional transit authority					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill allows for the creation of a La Crosse County RTA that would have similar powers and duties as several RTAs authorized under current law (the Dane County RTA, the Chippewa Valley RTA, and the Chequamegon Bay RTA).

Specifically, the bill would allow the creation of a La Crosse County RTA if the governing body of La Crosse County adopts a resolution to join the RTA and the resolution is ratified by the electors by referendum. The RTA may operate, or contract the operation of, a transportation system. The jurisdictional area of the RTA would be La Crosse County and all municipalities within La Crosse County.

The La Crosse RTA would have the authority to impose up to a 0.5% sales tax on its jurisdictional area. The Department of Revenue would retain 1.5% of the amounts collected for the department's costs in administering the tax on behalf of the RTA.

The bill would allow for up to a 0.5% sales tax rate to be applied throughout La Crosse County. In 2009, La Crosse County received \$9.3 million from the 0.5% county sales tax. While this amount may be modestly suppressed due to the recession, this amount provides general guidance to the maximum amount of revenue that could be generated from the highest allowable tax rate for a La Crosse County RTA. Based on this amount, the Department of Revenue could receive a maximum of \$140,000 for administering the RTA sales tax.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2009 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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 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		\$	\$
(FTE Position Changes)			
State Operations - Other Costs			
Local Assistance			
Aids to Individuals or Organizations			
TOTAL State Costs by Category		\$	\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
GPR			
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		\$varies by rate	\$varies by rate
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$varies by rate	\$varies by rate
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