

Fiscal Estimate - 2009 Session

Original
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 Supplemental

LRB Number 09-3150/3	Introduction Number SB-398
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Description
 Privatization of certain municipal water utilities

Fiscal Effect

State:

<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations		
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations		

Local:

<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs		5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate		
1. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cities
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	

Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS	

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

By having the senate approve such a sale, this bill would create an additional step in the approval process, since the PSC currently authorizes the sale or lease of water utilities. In adding a step, more time and additional costs may result.

The cost is difficult to quantify but it would be a one-time cost associated with preparing the proposal and then representing the City's interests as it participated in the legislative process leading up to a Senate vote. If adopted, this bill would make it more difficult to sell or lease the Milwaukee Water Works to a private person. This potentially would result in lower ongoing water rates than would likely result from operation of the waterworks by a private party.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications