



## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DOT 12/12/2017

LRB Number	<b>17-4865/1</b>	Introduction Number	<b>SB-608</b>	Estimate Type	<b>Original</b>
<b>Description</b> Use of wireless telephones while driving and providing a penalty					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill would prohibit all drivers from driving a motor vehicle while using a cellular or other wireless telephone, with various exceptions including that which allows the use of voice-operated or hands-free wireless telephones while driving a motor vehicle. These exceptions do not apply to a person who holds a probationary license or an instruction permit.

Illinois has a similar law. From 2014-2016, there were, on average, 33,599 convictions for violations of this law in Illinois. Wisconsin has 49.406% of the number of licensed drivers that Illinois has. This provides an estimate of about 16,600 convictions in Wisconsin annually.

The standard deposit for a violation of s. 346.89 (4) (a) is \$20. This bill proposes a minimum forfeiture of \$50 for a second or subsequent violation within a year. We estimate that approximately 50 of the 16,600 convictions will be for a second or subsequent violation within a year, and 16,550 of these convictions will be for a first violation within a year.

This would result in a total of \$333,500 collected from forfeitures.

No funds from the forfeitures, costs, and surcharges for tickets citing drivers for violations of this law would go to DOT. There is no fiscal effect on DOT.

For convictions in circuit court, half of the forfeiture goes to the state's school fund, and the other half goes to the county in which the citation was issued. For convictions in municipal court, all of the forfeiture goes to the municipality. We estimate that 42.2% of the convictions of this law will come from a circuit court.

The result is approximately \$70,400 to county governments and \$193,000 to municipal governments for a total of \$263,400 in revenue to local governments annually.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Over time, there will be fewer citations as drivers adjust to the new law resulting in less revenue to local governments.

## Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2017 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, ets.)</b>			
	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev	
GPR Taxes	\$	\$	
GPR Earned			
FED			
PRO/PRS			
SEG/SEG-S			
<b>TOTAL State Revenues</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>	
<b>NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT</b>			
	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>	
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$	\$	
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$	\$263,400	
<b>Agency/Prepared By</b>		<b>Authorized Signature</b>	<b>Date</b>
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