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informational materials related to a school board's obligation to provide instruction on American Indians						

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

State:

The bill requires the Department to develop materials designed to inform school boards about their responsibilities under 1989 Wisconsin Act 31 regarding American Indian instruction, including that a school board provide pupils with: 1) an instructional program that is designed to give pupils at all grade levels an understanding of human relations, particularly with regard to American Indians, Black Americans, and Hispanics; and 2) as part of the social studies curriculum, instruction in the history, culture, and tribal sovereignty of the federally recognized American Indian tribes and bands located in Wisconsin at least twice in the elementary grades and at least once in the high school grades.

Under the bill, the materials must be developed and posted on the Department's website no later than September 1 of the school year beginning after the effective date of the bill. The bill also directs the Department to update these materials in response to any changes to a school board's obligation to provide instruction related to American Indians.

The Department currently employs an American Indian Studies Consultant whose duties, in part, include assisting schools in meeting their statutory obligations under 1989 Act 31 and developing resources for schools to use in delivering American Indian instruction. As such, the bill codifies a practice that is largely already being performed by the Department. The bill may require the Department to adjust its practices in the event that a school board's obligation to provide American Indian instruction changes, but the bill does not appropriate any additional funds to complete these tasks. Therefore, any operational changes made as a result of this bill will be absorbed within existing Department resources. It is assumed that there is no fiscal impact to the state as a result of this bill.

Local:

The bill requires school boards to annually provide the informational materials related to its responsibilities under 1989 Act 31 to school board members, school district administrators, certain individuals responsible for curriculum or staff development, principals, and social studies teachers. A school board may be expected to adjust its practices with respect to informing school district staff and administrators about their statutory obligations under 1989 Act 31. It is assumed that any operational changes will be absorbed within existing school district resources, but the extent of changes undertaken due to this bill cannot be anticipated at this time. As such, the fiscal impact to local governments as a result of this bill is indeterminate.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications