

Fiscal Estimate - 2019 Session

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LRB Number 19-2160/1	Introduction Number AB-0337	
Description marriage between persons of the same sex and extending parentage rights to married couples of the same sex		
Fiscal Effect State: <div style="display: flex; flex-wrap: wrap;"> <div style="width: 33%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations </div> </div> <div style="width: 33%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues </div> <div style="width: 33%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <div style="margin-left: 20px;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No </div> <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs </div> </div>		
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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Assembly Bill 337 changes terminology throughout the Wisconsin State Statutes to make references to spouses gender neutral, in accordance with the decision by the United States Supreme Court in Obergefell v. Hodges, which recognizes that same-sex couples have a constitutional right to marriage.

The primary Department of Children and Families programs impacted by the bill include child welfare (including adoption) governed by the Children's Code under Chapter 48, as well as establishing paternity and child support orders in family court under Chapter 767.

Overall, the fiscal effect of language in the bill making spousal references gender neutral is indeterminate. It is unknown at this time the degree to which current department information technology systems (e.g., eWisACWIS and KIDS), forms, and other materials used in program administration would need to be changed as a result of the bill. The department will be more likely to be able to absorb costs associated with changing forms or other program materials. The degree to which the department will be able to absorb costs relating to information technology systems changes will depend on the number of hours required in each system to change references for spouses to be gender neutral.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications