

### Fiscal Estimate - 2019 Session

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LRB Number <b>19-4294/2</b>	Introduction Number <b>AB-0700</b>
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**Description**  
 notifying counties of certain water pollution violations, providing an exemption from emergency rule procedures, and granting rule-making authority

**Fiscal Effect**

**State:**

No State Fiscal Effect  
 Indeterminate  
 Increase Existing Appropriations     
  Increase Existing Revenues     
  Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget  
 Decrease Existing Appropriations     
  Decrease Existing Revenues     
   
  Yes       No  
 Create New Appropriations     
   
  Decrease Costs

**Local:**

No Local Government Costs  
 Indeterminate

1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<b>5. Types of Local Government Units Affected</b> <input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <u>0</u> <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	

<b>Fund Sources Affected</b>	<b>Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations</b>
<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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**Fiscal Estimate Narratives**  
**DNR 1/16/2020**

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**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

Under the bill, if the Department of Natural Resources finds that the holder of a Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit has violated groundwater standards, DNR must notify the county health department and county land and conservation department in the county in which the permit holder is located and the county health department and county land and conservation department in any adjacent county that DNR determines may be negatively affected by the violation.

The bill also requires DNR to provide notices within seven business days after confirming that a violation has occurred. The bill also allows DNR to establish, by rule, procedures for providing the required notice, and it requires the DNR to create and maintain a notification system for notifying county health departments, county land and conservation departments, and interested parties of the types of violations that trigger the notice requirement.

**State Fiscal Effect**

**1. One-Time Cost Estimate**

a. The proposed legislation may require the Department to adopt administrative rules to establish the procedures for providing the required notice. The rule development process would require some staff time for development along with the time necessary to consult with other programs in the agency and potentially with external stakeholders to develop the policy and any associated guidance for implementing the rule. The program estimates that a rule development process, establishment of the processes, development of any guidance and conducting stakeholder outreach will require approximately 300-400 FTE staff hours at an approximate one-time cost of \$9,600 - \$13,000.

b. Approximately 1,200 hours for web page development and for the development of a notification system for county health departments at an approximate one-time cost of \$96,000.

**2. Ongoing Cost Estimate**

Implementation of the bill would require some portion of multiple FTEs staff time, although the number of factors influencing the estimated cost of implementation makes a prediction of long term costs difficult.

The program will need to: develop and maintain an external facing web page including functionality for interested parties to self-identify that they would like to receive the notifications, make a determination on the potential severity of any permit non-compliance reports, and then monthly conduct the required noticing. Additional follow-up is expected to be necessary to answer questions local authorities and interested parties have after reviewing the monthly data. It could be estimated to potentially require approximately 300 FTE hours per year but this estimate is subject to significant variation based on various unknown factors (e.g., complexity of web page development, number and complexity of follow-up inquiries from the noticing of the data, etc.); therefore, the Department considers the ongoing fiscal effect of the bill to be indeterminate.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

## Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2019 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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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>  One-time costs of \$9,600-\$13,000 for rule development, stakeholder outreach, etc. In addition, one-time costs of \$96,000 for web page development and the development of a county notification system.			
<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, etc.)</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	\$	\$

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