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Fiscal Effect		
Appropriations Revenue	ase Existing absorb within age	May be possible to ency's budget ☐No
2. Decrease Costs 4. Decrea	sive Mandatory Towns	overnment Village Cities Others WTCS Districts
Fund Sources Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations		
GPR FED PRO PRS	SEG SEGS 20.765 (3) (cm); 20.76	65 (3) (kr)
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This proposal creates the Legislative Office of Inspector General, a nonpartisan legislative service agency, consisting of 14 inspectors general and their staff. Inspectors general and their staff are assigned to and housed at the headquarters of certain state agencies, including the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC). The inspector general assigned to WEDC shall also be assigned to the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority (WHEDA). Each state agency shall pay for all services provided by the inspectors general and shall credit the payments to an appropriation account.

WEDC has identified the following provisions that would have a fiscal impact upon the organization:

- 13.97 (2) (c): Costs for office space and all services provided by the lead inspector general and staff
- 13.97 (2) (e): Costs for office space and all services provided by the inspector general and staff assigned to WEDC and WHEDA
- 13.97 (3) (a): Costs for providing a tool or system to access at all times with to any books, records or other documents maintained by the agency relating to its expenditures, revenues, operations and structure
- 13.97 (3) (b) (4): Costs for publishing and submitting an annual report of inspector general activities to the chief clerk of each house of the legislature

WEDC assumes the organization will be responsible for paying a proportionate amount of the additional costs associated with the inspectors general and other administrative staff in the Office of Inspector General. These costs are indeterminate.

WEDC assumes there is sufficient office space in the WEDC and WHEDA headquarters offices to house the inspector general and her or his staff. WEDC assumes there will be negligible costs that can be absorbed by the organization associated with providing an inspector general and associated staff with office space and building services.

WEDC assumes there will be increased costs for the corporation to provide the inspector general and associated staff a tool or system to access at all times to any books, records or other documents maintained by the agency relating to its expenditures, revenues, operations and structure. Typical computer and software user license agreements (SULA) require WEDC to purchase additional user licenses or pay increased fees per additional user. These costs are indeterminate.

WEDC assumes there will be negligible costs that can be absorbed by the organization associated with publishing and submitting an annual report of inspector general activities to the chief clerk of each house of the legislature.

This bill does not provide WEDC or WHEDA with an allocation, but instead requires WEDC to draw from existing resources. Adding additional requirements to the corporation will reduce resources available for other activities and programs

Long-Range Fiscal Implications