

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	21-1752/1	Introduction Number	SB-153	Estimate Type	Original
Description creating a sexual assault victim bill of rights					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, Wis. Stat. § 50.375, facilities are required to inform victims orally of their option to receive emergency contraception at the hospital, of their option to report the sexual assault to a law enforcement agency, and of any available options for them to receive an examination to gather evidence regarding the sexual assault. This bill requires facilities to provide that information orally and in writing, as well as inform the victim of their rights under ch. 950 and, if facilities are available, to provide the victim an opportunity to bathe immediately following any examination to gather evidence regarding the sexual assault.

The Department of Health Services' Division of Quality Assurance (DQA) approves hospitals to operate in Wisconsin either through acceptance of a hospital's accreditation by an outside accreditation body or by DQA staff conducting certification surveys of the hospital. DQA conducts a full recertification survey of non-accredited hospitals that provide Emergency Services every three years. DHS estimates that inclusion of these additional items in the certification survey will require a negligible increase in training and surveying time for these surveyors.

To satisfy the activities of the proposed legislation, DHS will not require additional resources.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications