Fiscal Estimate - 2023 Session

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Fiscal Effect		,					
Appropriations	ease Existing	☑Increase Costs - absorb within ag ☑Yes ☑Decrease Costs	⊠No				
Permissive Mandatory Perm 2. Decrease Costs 4. Decre	ase Revenue issive Mandatory ease Revenue issive Mandatory	5.Types of Local G Units Affected Towns Counties School Districts	overnment Village Cities Others 0 WTCS Districts				
Fund Sources Affected ☐ GPR ☐ FED ☐ PRO ☐ PRS ☐	SEG SEGS	Affected Ch. 20 A 20.835 (2) (dp)	ppropriations				
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill creates a refundable income tax credit for a beginning farmer who leases or purchases agricultural assets and uses the assets for farming and for a person whose assets are leased or sold to a beginning farmer.

Under the bill, a beginning farmer is a person who has a net worth of less than \$200,000 and who has farmed for fewer than 10 years. The bill defines "agricultural assets" as land assessed for property tax purposes as agricultural land or machinery, equipment, facilities, or livestock that is used in farming.

The amount of the credit is equal to 5 percent of the lease amount or sales price paid by the beginning farmer for agricultural assets for the taxable year and 5 percent of the lease amount or sales price received by the asset owner from a beginning farmer for agricultural assets for the taxable year. The beginning farmer may also claim a credit equal to 5 percent of the amount the farmer paid for improvements on agricultural assets consisting of land and facilities.

The maximum amount that a claimant may receive in any taxable year is \$75,000 and maximum amount of the credit for all claimants in any taxable year is \$5,000,000.

From 2011 to 2013, Wisconsin law included a similar beginning farmer and farm asset owner credit. The law provided the beginning farmer with a credit for up to \$500 to take a course in farm financial management and it provided a 15 percent credit for the farm asset owner to lease agricultural assets to a beginning farmer. Over three years, the credit resulted in less than \$50,000 of total claims. If the credit under this bill results in similar participation levels, it will increase expenses by a minimal annual amount. To the extent that more individuals participate in the new credit program, it could increase expenses up to the statutory maximum of \$5,000,000 annually.

According to Department of Administration net tax reduction calculations related to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA), the remaining margin for tax reductions before triggering potential SLFRF recoupment is \$97.0 million for fiscal year 2024 and \$326.6 million for fiscal year 2025. This bill would reduce these margins by the amount of fiscal effect.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2023 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):							
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II. Annualized Costs:	Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:						
	Increased Costs	Decreased Costs					
A. State Costs by Category	T	\$					
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$	Φ					
(FTE Position Changes)							
State Operations - Other Costs							
Local Assistance							
Aids to Individuals or Organizations	\$	\$					
	TOTAL State Costs by Category \$ \$						
B. State Costs by Source of Funds							
GPR							
FED							
PRO/PRS							
SEG/SEG-S							
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues							
(e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, ets	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev					
GPR Taxes	s increased rev	\$					
GPR Earned	Ψ	Ψ					
FED							
PRO/PRS		and the second s					
SEG/SEG-S							
TOTAL State Revenues	\$	\$					
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT							
	State	Local					
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$See Text	\$					
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$	\$					
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