CHAPTER 283, Laws of 1979

AN ACT to amend 13.10 (2) (a) of the statutes, relating to requiring agencies to prepare fiscal estimates for bills affecting tax exemption, debt management and public retirement systems.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 13.10 (2) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

13.10 (2) (a) Any bill making an appropriation and any bill increasing or decreasing existing appropriations or state or general local government fiscal liability or revenues shall, before any vote is taken thereon by either house of the legislature if the bill is not referred to a standing committee, or before any public hearing is held before any standing committee or, if no public hearing is held, before any vote is taken by the committee, incorporate as a reliable estimate of the anticipated change in appropriation authority or state or general local government fiscal liability or revenues under the bill, including to the extent possible a projection of such changes in future biennia. Except as otherwise provided by joint rules of the legislature, such estimates shall be made by the department or agency administering the appropriation or collecting the revenue. Fiscal estimates on bills which will be referred to the joint survey committee on tax exemptions, the joint survey committee on debt management or the joint survey committee on retirement systems shall be prepared by the appropriate committee. The joint survey committee on retirement systems shall prepare the fiscal estimate with respect to the provisions of any bill referred to it which create or modify any system for, or make any provision for, the retirement of or payment of pensions to public officers or employees. When a fiscal estimate is prepared after the bill has been introduced, it shall be printed and distributed as are amendments.