

FISCAL ESTIMATE
DOA-2048 N

- ORIGINAL UPDATED
 CORRECTED SUPPLEMENTAL

LRB or Bill No./Adm. Rule No.
LRB 4193/1 AB 812

Amendment No. if Applicable

Subject

Mandatory Health Insurance Coverage of Hearing Tests and Hearing Aids

Fiscal Effect

State: No State Fiscal Effect

Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or affects a sum sufficient appropriation.

Increase Costs - May be possible to Absorb Within Agency's Budget Yes No

- Increase Existing Appropriation Increase Existing Revenues
 Decrease Existing Appropriation Decrease Existing Revenues
 Create New Appropriation

Decrease Costs

Local: No local government costs

1. Increase Costs
 Permissive Mandatory
2. Decrease Costs
 Permissive Mandatory

3. Increase Revenues
 Permissive Mandatory
4. Decrease Revenues
 Permissive Mandatory

5. Types of Local Governmental Units Affected:
 Towns Villages Cities
 Counties Others _____
 School Districts WTCS Districts

Fund Sources Affected

- GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEG-S

Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill mandates certain health insurance providers (not including limited service health organizations, preferred provider plans and certain disability insurance policies) to cover the costs of hearing tests, and of the costs, up to \$1,000 of hearing aids for an insured who is certified as hearing impaired by a physician or audiologist.

OCI regularly reviews policy forms to ensure they comply with all state laws. OCI does not directly administer insurance plans to state employees and anticipates no direct impact to the agency. The Department of Employee Trust Funds will be providing an estimate of state and local government costs.

Consistent with s. 601.423, Wis. Stat., the office will prepare a social and financial impact statement.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

None.

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