

FISCAL ESTIMATE

DOA-2048 N(R10/98)

- ORIGINAL UPDATED
 CORRECTED SUPPLEMENTAL

LRB or Bill No./Adm. Rule No.
AB 297 (LRB-0046/2)

Amendment No. if Applicable

Subject

Permitting certain individuals to make written requests for medication for the purpose of ending their lives

Fiscal Effect

State: No State Fiscal Effect

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

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

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

 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

s. 20.550 (1)(d)

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill creates three new crimes relating to a person making a request to his or her attending physician for medication for the purpose of ending his or her life if the person is of sound mind, is not incapacitated, is at least 18 years of age, is a resident of Wisconsin and has a terminal disease.

Because this bill creates three new crimes, one misdemeanor and two felonies, it is possible that the State Public Defender's Office (SPD) would handle additional cases upon enactment of this bill. The SPD cannot, however, predict the number of cases it may handle if this bill is passed. The number of additional cases handled by the SPD would depend upon (1) the number of persons who are charged with the crimes created in the bill and (2) of those who are charged, the number of persons who would qualify for SPD representation.

The SPD has no data from which to estimate local government costs.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

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