

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	01-3037/2	Introduction Number	AB-496	Estimate Type	Original
Subject					
College tuition vouchers for students who play taps at a military honors funeral					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This proposed legislation will provide a \$25 voucher for University of Wisconsin System campus tuition and fees to a student in the State of Wisconsin who sounds Taps when requested at a military funeral. This will result in a decrease in revenue to the University of Wisconsin System.

There is no specification that this funeral shall take place in Wisconsin. However, for the purposes of this estimate, we shall assume that the funerals will be in Wisconsin.

The University of Wisconsin System is in no position to determine the actual number of students in the State of Wisconsin who would be able and willing to sound Taps on a bugle, trumpet, or cornet.

The Department of Veterans Affairs estimates that approximately 11,500 veterans will die each year in Wisconsin for the foreseeable future. Approximately 6000 of these funerals each year have included military honors. Last year the Military Funeral Honors Program of the Department of Military Affairs performed over 3050 funerals in cooperation with the various Veterans Service Organizations. If these numbers remain constant, it might be assumed that students could be called upon to sound Taps at the remaining 3000 funerals. Therefore, we might see as many as 3000 vouchers requested per year, at an annual total of \$75,000. If students sounded Taps at all veterans' funerals requesting military honors, the number of vouchers per year would grow to 6000, at an annual total of \$150,000.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

We cannot determine whether there will be a significant change in the number of veterans eligible for this honor in the future. The number of World War II and Korean veterans will decrease over time. However, the number of additional veterans from other conflicts may increase.

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2001 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):			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes		\$	
(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		\$	\$
GPR Earned			
FED			
PRO/PRS			-75,000
SEG/SEG-S			
TOTAL State Revenues		\$	\$-75,000
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
		State	Local
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$-75,000	\$
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