

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number 01-2321/2	Introduction Number AB-551	Estimate Type Original
Subject Private sewage system rehabilitation or replacement grant program		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The Department of Commerce administers the Wisconsin Fund, a financial assistance program to replace or rehabilitate failing private sewage systems installed prior to July 1, 1978. Current statutes (s. 145.245, Stats.) indicate that costs allowable in determining grant funding may not exceed the costs of rehabilitating or replacing a private sewage system by the least costly methods. The Department interprets this language that for a particular type of replacement system, the costs may not exceed the least costly method of installing that particular type of system. This interpretation is reflected in the Department's administrative rules for the Wisconsin Fund, Comm 87. The Department has determined the maximum payment allowable for the various types of private sewage system technologies. The maximum allowable amounts reflect the least costly construction/installation methods. For example, the Department has determined the maximum payment allowable for installing mound systems based upon the least costly construction/installation methods. The Department has also determined the maximum payment allowable for installing a holding tank system, if that type of system is indicated as the replacement system for a particular project.

AB551 indicates that Wisconsin Fund grant funding may not exceed the costs of replacing or rehabilitating a system by the least costly methods, other than by installing a holding tank. This bill addresses the reimbursement of reasonable costs to qualified applicants while recognizing the range of private sewage system technologies available. The Department currently administers the Wisconsin Fund accordingly. Therefore, this bill would have no fiscal impact on the Department; it would not result in an increase in individual Wisconsin Fund payments or proration of grant payments. There would also be no fiscal impact on local units of government.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

None.

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2001 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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 Updated
 Corrected
 Supplemental

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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		\$0	0
(FTE Position Changes)		(0.0 FTE)	(0.0 FTE)
State Operations - Other Costs		0	0
Local Assistance		0	0
Aids to Individuals or Organizations		0	0
TOTAL State Costs by Category		\$0	\$0
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
GPR		0	0
FED		0	0
PRO/PRS		0	0
SEG/SEG-S		0	0
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)			
		Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes		\$0	\$0
GPR Earned		0	0
FED		0	0
PRO/PRS		0	0
SEG/SEG-S		0	0
TOTAL State Revenues		\$0	\$0
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
		<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
NET CHANGE IN COSTS		\$0	\$0
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE		\$0	\$0
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