Wisconsin Department of Administration Division of Executive Budget and Finance DOA-2048 (R07/2000)

Fiscal Estimate - 2001 Session

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Permissive Mandatory Perm	rease Revenue					
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS 20.510						
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This legislation changes the checkoff for the Wisconsin Election Campaign Fund (WECF) on state individual income tax returns. The change provides that unless a taxpayer indicates that the taxpayer does not want money transferred to the WECF, \$5 will be transferred. Under current law a taxpayer must specifically request that \$1 go to the WECF. Prior to 1985 taxpayers could check "yes" or "no" on their returns. Between 1977 and 1984 the number of taxpayers that indicated "no" on their tax returns ranged from 51% to 60%.

If this pattern held constant one could assume that between 35 and 40% of returns would result in transferring \$5 to the WECF. In 1999, the last year for which figures are available, there were 3,893,127 tax returns on which a WECF designation could be made. A 40% transfer of \$5 would amount to \$7,786,254.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

This legislation would provide for an ongoing infusion of funds into the WECF that is more than 20 times the current annual amount of \$325,000.

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Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2001 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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