

Fiscal Estimate - 2001 Session

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LRB Number 01-3845/3	Introduction Number SB-328
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Subject

Crimes related to terrorism; death penalty for first-degree homicide committed with intent to terrorize; permit retired law enforcement personnel to obtain license for carrying a concealed weapon

Fiscal Effect

State:

No State Fiscal Effect
 Indeterminate

<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
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Local:

No Local Government Costs
 Indeterminate

1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts
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Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS	

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This legislation relates to certain felonies associated with terrorism and providing a penalty. The "intent to terrorize" is defined as the intent to influence the policy of a governmental unit by intimidation or coercion, to punish a governmental unit for a prior policy decision or to affect the conduct of a governmental unit by homicide. The Department of Corrections is not able to identify any individual who is currently incarcerated or on supervision for such an offense.

This bill seeks to enhance the penalties for certain classes of felonies which pertain to the solicitation, threat or support of terrorism. Because this bill increases penalties for certain classes of felonies, offenders may stay in the system longer and increase Department costs. Predicting how many offenders this would impact is not possible. The average cost to house an inmate in FY00 was \$22,629 annually.

Also under this legislation, any person convicted of first-degree homicide with the intent to terrorize is eligible for capital punishment or life imprisonment. Wisconsin currently has no "death row" in which to hold persons awaiting execution and it is assumed that even if the number sentenced to death is small, a special unit within a current facility will be required. Any such unit would have substantial costs to construct and maintain. It is not possible to predict how many individuals will be sentenced under this offense, nor is it possible to predict what the judge or jury will impose for a sentence.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications