

### Fiscal Estimate - 2003 Session

Original       Updated       Corrected       Supplemental

<b>LRB Number</b> 03-1875/1		<b>Introduction Number</b> AB-204	
<b>Subject</b> Technical college capital expenditures			
<b>Fiscal Effect</b>			
<b>State:</b>			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect			
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate			
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues	
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations		<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	
<b>Local:</b>			
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs			
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate			
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs		3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts	
<b>Fund Sources Affected</b>		<b>Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS			
<b>Agency/Prepared By</b>		<b>Authorized Signature</b>	
WTCS/ Dan Clancy (608) 266-7983		Dan Clancy (608) 266-7983	
		<b>Date</b>	
		3/28/2003	

## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

WTCS 3/28/2003

LRB Number 03-1875/1	Introduction Number AB-204	Estimate Type Original
<b>Subject</b> Technical college capital expenditures		

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This proposal would extend for two additional years the sunset for the Applied Technology Center program. Under this program technical college districts may expend up to \$5 million to construct an Applied Technology Center facility to provide training and technical assistance to business and industry in the district without seeking approval of the district voters in a referendum. The project is subject to approval by the WTCS Board's facilities approval process and must meet additional criteria with respect to ongoing financial participation in the construction and operation of the ATC facility by the business community.

The WTCS Office estimates that there would be no significant fiscal effect at the state level of the proposed legislation as no state funds are used in the construction of ATC facilities.

The WTCS Office is unable to estimate the short-term fiscal effects of the proposal at the local level. The Legislature gave technical college districts the authority to build ATCs in the 1999-01 Biennial Budget. To date, only two of the 16 districts have undertaken the construction of ATCs. Several districts have considered constructing ATCs and chosen not to pursue these projects; others may pursue the construction of ATCs if the sunset is extended. The exact number of projects being actively considered by the districts is unknown. In addition, districts must receive WTCS Board approval to develop projects and it is unknown if the Board would approve additional projects over the next several years.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications

There is no significant long range state fiscal effect associated with extension of the sunset for the ATC program.

The long range local fiscal effect is indeterminate. It is impossible to know at this time if any new ATCs would be constructed during the time of the proposed extension of the sunset.