

### Fiscal Estimate - 2003 Session

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<b>LRB Number</b> <b>03-3788/1</b>	<b>Introduction Number</b> <b>AB-799</b>
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**Subject**

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**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	<b>5. Types of Local Government Units Affected</b> <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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<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	

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**Fiscal Estimate Narratives**

**UWS 2/10/2004**

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**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

This proposed legislation grants nonresident tuition exemptions to dependents of active duty armed forces personnel who are eligible for Wisconsin veterans benefits, but who might no longer be residents of Wisconsin. However, in s. 36.27(2)(b) as presently written, nonresident tuition exemptions are awarded to certain members of the armed forces and their spouses and children. In the proposed legislation, the USC (United States Code) definition of a dependent is used, which includes a much broader category, such as in-laws, step siblings and unrelated individuals. In addition, the definition itself is based on a means test. We have no basis for determining how many armed forces members, eligible for Wisconsin veterans benefits, might have dependents (as defined according to the USC broad definition) who are not already residents of the state. In addition, we cannot determine how many of these individuals would, in turn, also choose to attend UWS institutions.

For any individual, who might otherwise be considered a nonresident, but who fits these legislative criteria and attends the institution, a campus would lose the potential tuition dollar difference between in-state and nonresident tuition. This ranges between \$10,000 and \$14,000 per year per undergraduate, depending on the institution.

If a means test were also required to make the determinations, there would be additional staff time and costs incurred. Without a sense of the numbers of individuals involved, this cannot be estimated at this time.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**