

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DPI 2/19/2004

LRB Number	03-4263/1	Introduction Number	AB-847	Estimate Type	Original
Subject					
Milwaukee Parental Choice Program; fiscal infor, background checks, etc.					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

2003 AB 847 requires a private school participating in the Milwaukee Parental Choice Program (MPCP) to conduct a criminal background check on all persons employed as instructional staff. With certain exceptions, the bill prohibits a private school participating in the MPCP from employing a person who has been convicted of any of the felonies specified in the bill for six years following the conviction. The bill requires a private school to submit to the Department of Public Instruction (DPI), before the school begins participating in the MPCP, a copy of the school's certificate of occupancy issued by the city of Milwaukee, evidence of financial viability, and proof that the administrator of the school participated in a fiscal management training program approved by DPI. Annually, a private school participating in the MPCP must submit to DPI evidence of sound fiscal practices. AB 847 authorizes DPI to issue an order banning a private school from participating in the MPCP in the succeeding school year if DPI determines that the private school misrepresented information provided to DPI, failed to provide certain information to DPI by the date or within the period required, failed to refund overpayments to the state by the date required, or failed to meet at least one of the currently required academic or other standards by the required date. The bill authorizes DPI to issue an order immediately terminating a private school's participating in the MPCP if DPI determines that conditions at the private school present an imminent danger to the health or safety of pupils or that the private school failed to provide certain information to DPI by the date or within the period required. AB 847 authorizes DPI to withhold payment from a private school participating in the MPCP if the private school violates any law or administrative rule governing the MPCP.

In order to fully review MPCP school compliance and to implement the functions assigned to the department by the bill, one additional full time equivalent school finance auditor would need to be authorized and hired. The cost of doing so would be \$100,900 GPR annually (\$71,800 annual salary plus fringe and supplies and services).

The local-related requirements imposed by the bill are placed on private schools. There is no additional cost for local governments.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2003 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

Original
 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	\$98,400	
	(FTE Position Changes)	(1.0 FTE)	
	State Operations - Other Costs	2,500	
	Local Assistance		
	Aids to Individuals or Organizations		
	TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$100,900	\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
	GPR	100,900	
	FED		
	PRO/PRS		
	SEG/SEG-S		
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	\$	\$
	GPR Earned		
	FED		
	PRO/PRS		
	SEG/SEG-S		
	TOTAL State Revenues	\$	\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
		State	Local
	NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$100,900	\$
	NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$	\$
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