Fiscal Estimate - 2007 Session

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill could benefit students enrolled in Wisconsin technical colleges by increasing financial aid available under the WTCS-WHEG appropriation. The extent of this benefit is dependent on changes to academic fees charged at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. WTCS-WHEG funds are appropriated to the Higher Educational Aids Board, which distributes these funds directly to local technical colleges based on student applications. As a result, changes to the WTCS-WHEG appropriation would have no fiscal effect on the Wisconsin Technical College System.

Higher Educational Aids Board data for 2005-06, the most recent data currently available, show that WTCS students have the greatest unmet financial need of students attending WTCS, UW System institutions, or one of Wisconsin's independent colleges or universities. In 2005-06, the average unmet need of WTCS students was \$4,022, or 38.5% of the total cost to attend. In the same year, unmet need equaled 21.5% of total costs for UW students, and 19.7% for students at independent colleges or universities.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications