

### Fiscal Estimate - 2007 Session

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<b>LRB Number</b> <b>07-3900/4</b>	<b>Introduction Number</b> <b>AB-0872</b>
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<b>Fiscal Effect</b>	
<b>State:</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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
<b>Local:</b>	
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<b>Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations</b>	
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## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill places certain requirements on health care providers to provide charge information to patients for medical procedures. This will have no direct fiscal impact on the Department of Employee Trust Funds, though indirectly it would to the extent that providers pass any cost of administration through to participating health plans.

The bill also places certain requirements on health plans, including insurers and self-insured plans offered under chapter 40 of the Wisconsin State Statutes, to provide good-faith estimates of the median reimbursement a health plan would expect to pay, as well as the out-of-pocket costs a member would incur, for a specified health care service in a geographic region. The bill specifies that such estimates need be provided only upon request of the member. The member must provide to the health plan the name of the provider, facility, date of service, and providers estimate of the charge. The insurer may not require that the member provide a current procedure terminology (CPT) code.

We do not have sufficient information to estimate the fiscal impact of this proposed legislation. Costs will be determined by the extent to which insurers will need to construct and administer the systems necessary to provide the information along with the marginal cost of providing this information on a per request basis.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications