

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	07-1437/1	Introduction Number	SB-213	Estimate Type	Original
Description The elimination of the accumulated unused sick leave credit program for state legislators					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill provides that no member of the assembly or senate may accumulate unused sick leave from year to year in his or her sick leave account for work performed as a member of the legislature in any legislative session beginning on or after January 5, 2009.

The bill, however, does permit senators who are currently serving a term of office that begins on or after January 3, 2007, but before January 5, 2009, to continue to accumulate unused sick leave for work performed as a member of the legislature before commencement of the 2011-2012 legislative session.

The separate treatment of senators in the bill acknowledges their four-year terms, and the constitutional prohibition against increases or decreases in compensation during public officers' terms of office found in Article IV, Section 26 of Wisconsin's Constitution.

While the provisions of this bill if enacted, would require some interim house-keeping language changes to be made in the present and future Compensation Plans covering elected officials (See for example Section B, 2.02(3), 2005-2007 Compensation Plan), it would not have any fiscal effects on the Office of State Employment Relations beyond that.

The Office of State Employment Relations cannot determine increases or decreases in costs related to the proposed bill. Therefore, please see the fiscal estimate prepared by the Department of Employee Trust Funds for discussion of potential fiscal impacts.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications