

### Fiscal Estimate - 2007 Session

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<b>LRB Number</b> <b>07-4056/1</b>	<b>Introduction Number</b> <b>SB-500</b>
<b>Description</b> Creating an agricultural education and workforce development council and making an appropriation	
<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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
<b>Local:</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	
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5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts	
<b>Fund Sources Affected</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

Based on the language included in SB 500, it is not possible to determine the costs for the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) associated with the creation and operation of the Agricultural Education and Workforce Development Council. SB 500 requires the technical college system to "annually prepare a review of agricultural education programs in technical colleges." In addition, several functions assigned to the Council could have important programmatic and financial ramifications for the WTCS and its 16 technical college districts.

However, because SB 500 is unclear about the actual WTCS staffing levels necessary to support the Council in carrying out its assigned functions, it is not possible at this time to quantify specific state or local costs of SB 500. For example, according to SB 500, the Council shall: "promote the coordination of educational systems to develop, train, and retrain employees for current and future careers related to agriculture, food and natural resources" and "recommend policies and other changes to improve the efficiency of the development and provision of agricultural education across educational systems."

SB 500 also assigns the Council responsibility for "advising state agencies on matters related to integrating agricultural education and workforce development systems," including "the coordination of programs, the exchange of information related to educational and workforce development needs and the monitoring and evaluation of programs." The results of its work are to be presented in an annual report that includes the Council's reaction to the annual review by the WTC System Office of agricultural programs in the WTCS, and current and anticipated problems related to agricultural education. The extent to which the Council-member agencies will need to provide staff assistance in carrying out these functions and the costs associated with supporting Council activities is unclear.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The long-range fiscal implications depend on the extent to which member agencies provide support to the Council and implement recommendations from the Council and on the nature of the recommendations identified by the Council. If the Council recommends extensive program or policy changes or the development of new programs, implementation of such recommendations could require significant new state and local resources.