

Fiscal Estimate - 2009 Session

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LRB Number 09-0210/1	Introduction Number AB-0432
Description Notification requirements for persons who must register as sex offenders and who are on school premises and providing penalties	
Fiscal Effect	
State:	
<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
Local:	
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory
5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities <input type="checkbox"/> Counties <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> Jails <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts	
Fund Sources Affected	
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Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations	
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill prohibits sex offenders required to be registered on Wisconsin's Sex Offender Registry from being in any school building, on school grounds, school recreation areas or athletic fields without first notifying certain school officials of the specific date, time and place of the visit. The bill provides exceptions for voting, non-school sponsored events or activities or, if the offender has a child enrolled in the school, if the offender notifies the school at the beginning of each school year. This bill also requires the Department to notify sex offender registrants of the new requirements.

The Department would incur minimal costs for an additional mailing to current sex offender registrants [21,053 adult and juvenile offenders in September 2009] at the time of bill passage. These costs could be absorbed using the agency's base funding.

The bill also creates a Class A misdemeanor for a first time violation and a Class H felony for second and subsequent violations. The Department is unable to determine how many sex offenders will be convicted for disregarding the notification process. A Class A misdemeanor includes a maximum of 9 months in a county jail; a Class H felony includes a maximum of 3 years confinement in prison and 3 years extended supervision.

The average FY09 annual cost for an inmate in a DOC institution is approximately \$31,800. However, when there is excess capacity in DOC facilities, the incremental costs (i.e. food, health care and clothing) of housing a small number of inmates is approximately \$4,900, based on FY09 costs. When there is no excess capacity in DOC facilities, as is currently the case, the Department uses contract beds at a rate of \$18,800 annually per person. The average FY09 annual cost for offenders on extended supervision was \$2,600.

Jail costs may also increase if offenders are placed in jail rather than prison.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications