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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill would classify county jailers as protective occupation employees under the Wisconsin Retirement System. Under current law, each county employer is responsible for determining if the job responsibilities of individuals employed covered under the WRS meets the definition of a protective occupation employee.

Protective occupation employees are covered under the duty disability program as described under s. 40.65 of the Wisconsin Statutes. As such it is anticipated that additional on-going costs would be incurred by the Department of Employee Trust Funds associated with the processing and maintaining the additional claims under the duty disability program. Depending on the number of additional claims that are filed, additional staff positions may be need.

There is no information available to the Department regarding the number of participants that would be classified as protective occupation employees as a result of this bill. As such, the on-going costs associated with this bill are indeterminate. Implementation costs of approximately \$5000 associated with training and the modification of certain forms and publications would be incurred.

Only the administrative costs associated with this bill are included in this estimate. Program costs associated with this bill will be provided by the Joint Survey Committee on Retirement Systems

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Claims for duty disability benefits would be expected to increase over several years resulting in the need for additional positions and expenditure authority.