

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DPI 1/7/2010

LRB Number	09-2278/2	Introduction Number	SB-414	Estimate Type	Original
Description School nurses and the administration of drugs to pupils					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

2009 Senate Bill 414 modifies provisions relating to school nurses and the administration of drugs to pupils.

The bill requires individuals authorized to administer drugs under s. 118.29 (2), Stats., to receive training, approved by the department, in administering nonprescription drug products and prescription drugs. The bill does not specify what entity must provide the training only that it must be approved by the department. Although DPI currently provides free on-line training, additional training for non-oral medication administration would need to be provided.

State:

The DPI may provide some basic training through workshops, webcasts, or an on-line medication training course. The DPI must approve training provided by others. Costs associated with providing and reviewing training will be absorbed by the department.

Local:

School districts may have costs associated with developing a written policy regarding drug administration to pupils. These costs are indeterminate.

Schools may be subject to civil liability lawsuits if an employee is sued for improperly administering a nonprescription drug product or prescription drug without appropriate training.

It is assumed that additional training must be provided by a health care provider to teach the skills involved in non-oral routes of administration. Any costs associated with providing this training would likely be paid by the school district. These costs are indeterminate.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications