

Fiscal Estimate - 2011 Session

Original Updated Corrected Supplemental

LRB Number 11-2355/4		Introduction Number SB-263	
Description Setback requirements for wind energy systems and granting rule-making authority			
Fiscal Effect			
State:			
<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect			
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate			
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues	
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	
<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs			
Local:			
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs			
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate			
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs		3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		<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 type="checkbox"/> Others	
<input type="checkbox"/> School Districts		<input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts	
Fund Sources Affected		Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS			
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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Current law requires the Public Service Commission (PSC) to issue rules specifying the restrictions a city, town, village or county may impose on the installation or use of a wind energy system. These restrictions must satisfy, among other conditions, preserving/protecting the public health or safety.

SB 263 requires the Department of Health Services (DHS) to provide the PSC with a scientifically sound and peer-reviewed epidemiological study evaluating the health impacts of wind energy systems on people and animals near such systems, prior to the PSC issuing the restriction rules. The bill further specifies DHS: 1) survey scientific literature for the study or encourage other interested individuals to submit such a study to DHS; 2) consult with University of Wisconsin-System personnel with the expertise to evaluate the study; and 3) submit a report with the study's findings to both the legislature and the PSC.

The Department anticipates completing an epidemiological study, as required by the bill, would cost an estimated \$214,800 GPR. This estimate includes the following estimated costs: personnel (one full-time, master's-level epidemiologist for a period of 18 months: \$137,300); consultation with the University of Wisconsin-Madison Survey Center (\$25,000); study subject examinations (\$33,000); study advisory committee meetings (\$7,500); and external peer review fees (\$12,000).

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2011 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):		
<p>Costs to conduct a scientifically sound and peer-reviewed epidemiological study that evaluates the health impacts of wind energy systems on people and animals near such systems: personnel (one full-time, master's-level epidemiologist for a period of 18 months: \$137,300); consultation with the University of Wisconsin-Madison Survey Center (\$25,000); study subject examinations (\$33,000); study advisory committee meetings (\$7,500); and external peer review fees (\$12,000). Estimated total cost: \$214,800.</p>		
II. Annualized Costs:	Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
	Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category		
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$	\$
(FTE Position Changes)		
State Operations - Other Costs		
Local Assistance		
Aids to Individuals or Organizations		
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$	\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds		
GPR		
FED		
PRO/PRS		
SEG/SEG-S		
III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)		
	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes	\$	\$
GPR Earned		
FED		
PRO/PRS		
SEG/SEG-S		
TOTAL State Revenues	\$	\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT		
	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$	\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$	\$
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