

Fiscal Estimate - 2011 Session

Original Updated Corrected Supplemental

LRB Number 11-3688/4		Introduction Number AB-0714	
Description mandatory reporting of child abuse or neglect by professors, administrators, coaches, and other employees of a public, private, or tribal postsecondary educational institution			
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 type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mandatory		3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <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 type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts			
Fund Sources Affected		Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations	
<input 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

AB 714 adds faculty, administrators, coaches and any other employee of one of the 16 colleges that make up the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) as mandatory reporters of suspected child abuse or neglect. The additional reporting requirements for college staff would be incorporated into Ch. 48, Wis. Stats.

Ch. 48, Wis. Stats, defines "child" as anyone less than 18 years old. Some 17-years olds may be excluded from the definition of "child" for Ch. 48 if they are being investigated or prosecuted for violations of state or federal criminal law or any civil law or municipal ordinance.

Because the reporting is of suspected abuse and neglect of those less than 18 years old, there are only limited number of children attending WTCS colleges to whom these requirements might apply. It also could apply to children attending child care centers offered at some colleges or children under age 18 who participate in college-sponsored activities such as camps to explore career options or sports.

Therefore, because of the new requirements created in AB 714, WTCS colleges would incur some indeterminate costs in providing education and training to college employees on how to recognize potential abuse and neglect and required steps for reporting potential abuse or neglect.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications