Wisconsin Department of Administration
Division of Executive Budget and Finance

Fiscal Estimate - 2013 Session

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LRB Number **13-3902/2**	Introduction Number **SB-676**

Description

Education and training under Wisconsin Works; reducing Wisconsin Works benefits; a minimum copayment, maximum child care hours, and reducing income based on marriage for eligibility under Wisconsin Shares; changes to the food stamp program relating to financial eligibility for benefits, allowing an election to reduce benefits, recouping unused benefits, and prohibiting supplier discounts; prohibiting advertising concerning means-tested public assistance on radio or television; requiring consideration of the income and assets of all individuals in a household for purposes of eligibility for any means-tested public assistance; eligibility requirements for persons or families of low and moderate income to receive certain housing, housing assistance, grants, loans, or benefits from the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority, the Department of Administration, and local housing authorities; reducing the authority of local housing authorities; eligibility requirement for purposes of receiving low-income energy assistance; prohibiting new claims under the earned income tax credit; limiting eligibility for the homestead tax credit; elimination of certain grant programs administered by the Higher Educational Aids Board and transfer of the unencumbered balances in the appropriations for those programs to the University of Wisconsin System for the purpose of tuition reduction; consideration of the income and assets of both parents of a student under 22 years of age for purposes of awarding a grant or scholarship to such a student and the permissible uses of grant or scholarship moneys awarded; income eligibility requirements for enrollment in a private school participating in a parental choice program; the school lunch program; and granting rule-making authority

Fiscal Effect

State:

☒ No State Fiscal Effect
☐ Indeterminate

☐ Increase Existing Appropriations
☐ Decrease Existing Appropriations
☐ Create New Appropriations
☐ Increase Existing Revenues
☐ Decrease Existing Revenues
☐ Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget ☐ Yes ☐ No
☐ Decrease Costs

Local:

☒ No Local Government Costs
☐ Indeterminate

1. ☐ Increase Costs ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory
2. ☐ Decrease Costs ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory
3. ☐ Increase Revenue ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory
4. ☐ Decrease Revenue ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory
5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
   ☐ Towns ☐ Village ☐ Cities
   ☐ Counties ☐ Others
   ☐ School Districts ☐ WTCS Districts

Fund Sources Affected

☐ GPR ☐ FED ☐ PRO ☐ PRS ☐ SEG ☐ SEGS

Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

WHEDA 3/26/2014

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

WHEDA does not receieve GPR

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The long range implication of this bill regarding WHEDA are extensive. Parameters for all programs administered by WHEDA (LIHTC, Section 8, Housing Choice Vouchers & bond financing) are subject to strict regulations by HUD or the IRS. Requesting a waiver is not feasible. Currently WHEDA has active WHEDA loans at 8,635 elderly, 8,239 family & 596 special needs. Active Section 8 units total 18,426 elderly, 603 mostly elderly, 9,701 family, 465 mostly family & 718 special needs. LIHTC units total 18,258 elderly, 19,877 family, 3,062 special needs. (Note some units may be counted twice if more than 1 program is involved) All of these households would be affected by virtue of being either under 65, not disabled or living in a unit the bill deems too large.

Current regulations require monitoring of income limits (with eligibility based on gross income), disability verifications, asset verification & strict enforcement of unit size based on household composition. Further & likely significant effect would be felt by the numerous management companied throughout the state as well by the owners of these properties.