

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DWD 10/10/2013

LRB Number	13-2950/2	Introduction Number	SB-335	Estimate Type	Original
Description Tuition reimbursement program for apprentices and employers, granting rule-making authority, and making an appropriation					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill requires the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) to administer a tuition reimbursement program under which DWD may reimburse the cost of tuition incurred by a person who has completed an apprenticeship program and who is employed in the trade, craft, or business in which the person was trained under the apprenticeship program or incurred by the person's employer.

Under the bill, the amount of that reimbursement is 25 percent of the cost of tuition incurred by the person or employer or \$1,000, whichever is less, except that if the amount of funds applied for exceeds the amount available for tuition reimbursement, DWD may reduce the reimbursement percentage or deny applications for reimbursement that would otherwise qualify for reimbursement. In that case, DWD must determine the reimbursement percentage and eligibility on the basis of the dates on which applications for reimbursement were received.

DWD anticipates one-time IT system implementation costs of \$191,000 plus annual costs of \$40,000 for IT systems maintenance. These enhancements will permit DWD to track the program. Apprentices will be tracked throughout the course of their apprenticeship to establish eligibility. Additionally, the system will track reimbursements and cross-match with the child support database, enabling DWD to monitor and audit program performance. Finally, DWD will gather historical data to determine the overall performance of this program.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Annual IT systems maintenance costs of \$40,000

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2013 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

Original
 Updated
 Corrected
 Supplemental

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect): Implementation costs including updating DWD's apprenticeship information system to track and record tuition reimbursements; total IT system implementation costs are estimated at \$191,000.			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$40,000		\$
(FTE Position Changes)			
State Operations - Other Costs			
Local Assistance			
Aids to Individuals or Organizations	225,000		
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$265,000		\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
GPR	265,000		
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	\$265,000		\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$		\$
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