

Fiscal Estimate - 2013 Session

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LRB Number 13-1541/1	Introduction Number SB-074	
Description State procurement of products and services from businesses located in this state and setting a goal for local government to purchase a certain percentage of products and services from businesses located in this state		
Fiscal Effect State: <input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		
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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

If enacted, this bill would require state and local governments to attempt to ensure that at least 20 percent of the total amount expended for products and services is from Wisconsin-based businesses and that, in any fiscal year, the percentage of the total amount expended from Wisconsin-based businesses will not be lower than it was in the previous fiscal year. To measure compliance, the bill requires DOA to collect data from a person who bids for a contract regarding the person's principal place of business and make the information publicly available on its Internet site.

State agencies and the University of Wisconsin campuses in FY12 purchased approximately \$1.0 billion of goods and services under §16.75, Wis. Stats. Applying the purchasing goal of this bill to the FY12 spend would result in a goal of \$200 million of expenditures to Wisconsin-based businesses from state agencies.

Data is not available that would show whether enacting this 20 percent goal would either increase or decrease the cost of goods and services provided to state agencies. Therefore, the actual cost of limiting competition to Wisconsin-based businesses to achieve the goal is indeterminate.

This bill provides that state agencies shall attempt to ensure that at least 20 percent of state purchasing is with companies domiciled in Wisconsin; in future years, the percentage must not be lower than the preceding year. The State of Wisconsin does not own or manage a procurement system that tracks purchasing transactions by the state domicile of its vendors. In order to track spending with Wisconsin firms, agencies will be required to implement new procedures or technologies to track vendor state domicile. The cost of purchasing new procurement systems and/or staff expense for manual review is indeterminate; however, it is likely such costs would be substantial and could not be absorbed by agencies.

Further, there is no existing list of Wisconsin-based businesses nor of companies domiciled in Wisconsin. As such, it would be nearly impossible to ensure that this exception to current procurement rules could be enforced.

In addition, the bill's requirement that the Department of Administration (DOA) collect and compile data on the principal place of business of those persons responding to bids or proposals and report on that data to the legislature would also comprise additional manual intervention that could not be absorbed by current staff. However, the cost of this additional workload is indeterminate at this time.

Finally, the State is not aware of any data on the total amount of purchases made by local units of government. Therefore, it is not possible to determine what the 20 percent goal would be, based on cumulative spend by local governments or spend on an individual jurisdictional basis.

If Wisconsin enacts an "in state" preference, those vendors who may benefit from that preference will be harmed if/when they bid for work with other states since the majority of states have a reciprocity law. All of our neighboring Midwestern states where Wisconsin businesses are most likely to bid for work have reciprocity laws. Those states include: Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Michigan, Indiana, and Ohio.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Unknown.