Fiscal Estimate - 2015 Session

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Appropriations Reve	ease Existing enues rease Existing enues Decrease Costs - N to absorb within a Yes Decrease Costs					
Local: No Local Government Costs Indeterminate 1. ☐ Increase Costs ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory 2. ☐ Decrease Costs ☐ Permissive ☐ Mandatory ☐ Decrease Revenue ☐ Counties ☐ Others ☐ School ☐ WTCS ☐ Districts ☐ Districts						
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS						
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Proposal

The bill primarily affects public school aid administered by the Department of Public Instruction. The portions eliminating the school levy and first dollar property tax credits pertain to the Department of Revenue. The school levy and first dollar credits provide direct relief to taxpayers by reducing the amount owed on property tax bills. Under the bill, December, 2016 would be the last property tax bill to include both property tax credits, with the final payment occurring on the fourth Monday in July, 2017 (FY 2018).

School Levy Credit

The school levy tax credit currently allocates \$853,000,000 to municipalities by using the average school levies for the three previous years. Municipalities allocate the credit to individuals in proportion to a taxpayer's share of the municipality's total assessed value. Municipalities are notified by November 20 of the credit they will receive in the following year. The estimated costs for the 2016 school levy credit are \$853,000,000 (paid in FY 2017).

First Dollar Credit

The first dollar tax credit currently allocates \$150,000,000 to any real estate parcel with at least one improvement. The first dollar credit is calculated by multiplying the school district tax rate by the credit value. The allocation amount, estimated claimants, and school property tax rates determine the credit value. The 2016 first dollar credit value is \$6,500. Municipalities are notified by November 20 of the credit they will receive in the following year. The estimated costs for the 2016 first dollar credit are \$149,013,800 (paid in FY 2017).

Fiscal Effect

The bill reduces property tax credit expenditures under Wis. Stat. sec.20.835(3)(b) by \$1,002,013,800 in FY 2019, while increasing funding for general equalization aids by \$897,400,000 in FY 2017. Under current law, the average school levy property tax credit is \$299; the average first dollar property tax credit is \$66. The combined average for both property tax credits is \$364.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2015 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):						
II. Annualized Costs:	<u> </u>	scal 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	897,400,000	-1,002,013,800				
Aids to Individuals or Organizations						
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$897,400,000	\$-1,002,013,800				
B. State Costs by Source of Funds						
GPR	897,400,000	-1,002,013,800				
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, ets.)						
	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	\$-104,613,800					
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE \$						
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