

Fiscal Estimate - 2015 Session

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LRB Number 15-1278/1	Introduction Number AB-0088
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Description
 Vehicle admission receipts issued to certain members of the U.S. armed forces and to certain members of the national guard

Fiscal Effect

State:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect
<input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs |
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Local:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory | 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue
<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 type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts |
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Fund Sources Affected

Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations

GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Current law, with certain exceptions, creates a differentiated cost structure to enter fee areas based on the origin of the vehicle entering those areas. The bill creates an exemption to this structure by allowing non-resident vehicles belonging to active duty armed services members stationed in Wisconsin, a member of an armed forces reserve unit located in Wisconsin or a member of the Wisconsin National Guard to pay the lower, Wisconsin resident admission rate.

The bill would decrease annual revenues, generate one-time costs and increase annual operating costs.

The Wisconsin Department of Military Affairs reports a total of approximately 10,000 Wisconsin National Guard members. The 2010 U.S. Census Bureau Report indicates there are 4,555 active duty military personnel stationed in Wisconsin. The Office of the Secretary of Defense for Reserve Affairs indicates there are approximately 5,919 total members of Reserve units located in Wisconsin for a total estimated population of 20,474. The U.S. Department of Defense doesn't provide residence information of its active duty personnel; therefore, the Department is unable to provide accurate information on the total population eligible for this rate. However, assuming that 15% of the total active duty and Wisconsin National Guard members and 20% of Reserve members were eligible under the provisions of the bill, it is estimated that approximately 3,367 individuals would be eligible for the lower admission rate.

Assuming that the level of park attendance from armed services members would mirror the percentage of the general population over the age of 18 that pay admission to state parks and state forests (12.4% in 2012), it translates to approximately 418 individuals annually that would pay the lower admission rate. Given those assumptions, the admission fee exemptions in the bill would reduce revenues by as much as \$2,700 annually. These revenue losses would be split between the Parks and Forestry Accounts of the Conservation Fund

Enforcement of vehicle access permits is performed by property staff who verify that the admission sticker affixed to the vehicle is appropriate to the vehicle's registration. Current enforcement practices dictate that non-resident vehicles displaying a resident admission sticker are issued a civil forfeiture violation. Given the eligibility restrictions included in the bill and the likely level of participation, the Department may choose to centralize the administrative aspects of this program and create a new sticker type.

The Department would incur both one-time and on-going administrative expenses as a result of this bill. One-time costs are estimated to be \$20,000 to implement the requirements of the bill which include software updates to the sticker inventorying system and staff time and materials to update all internet and printed materials and to publicize the program. The Department also estimates the ongoing, annual supplies and services cost to implement this policy at \$5,500 (printing, mailing, etc.).

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): \$20,000 for software updates to the sticker inventorying system and staff time and materials to update all internet and printed materials to publicize the program			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal 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	5,500	
	Local Assistance		
	Aids to Individuals or Organizations		
	TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$5,500	\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
	GPR		
	FED		
	PRO/PRS		
	SEG/SEG-S	5,500	
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		-2,700
	TOTAL State Revenues	\$	-\$2,700
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
		<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
	NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$5,500	\$
	NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$-2,700	\$
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