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## Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Current law declares Veterans Day, November 11, a legal holiday. Senate Bill 350 would require every Wisconsin public and private employer to grant veterans a paid leave of absence the entire workday on November 11th regardless of if they are scheduled to work. If Veterans Day falls on a Saturday or Sunday, SB 350 requires public and private employers to give individuals the following Monday off. Under SB 350, employees covered under collective bargaining agreements would be granted leave if it was agreed upon, and contained within, their respective collective bargaining agreement.

SB 350 would also prohibit the following; employers from discharging or discriminating against an employee, in terms of promotion, compensation, or employment conditions or privileges for taking leave on this day; opposing a discharge or discrimination in violation of SB 350; filing a complaint or attempting to enforce a right under the bill; or assisting in any action or proceeding to enforce SB 350 as a right.

Finally, SB 350 establishes a process for Veteran's to file a complaint with the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) which requires DWD to investigate complaints under the employment discrimination process documented in current law. This processing would allow DWD to order back pay, reinstatement with the employer, compensation in lieu of reinstatement, as well as attorney fees and costs.

Administratively, DWD would be able to investigate, and resolve, new discrimination cases without new additional costs. For example, granting DWD Veterans this day of leave would create a cost of approximately \$12,550 annually.

## Long-Range Fiscal Implications