

Fiscal Estimate - 2017 Session

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Description
 The determination of indigency prior to the state public defender appointing an attorney to represent a parent in a proceeding under chapters 48 and 938

Fiscal Effect

State:

- No State Fiscal Effect
- Indeterminate
 - Increase Existing Appropriations
 - Decrease Existing Appropriations
 - Create New Appropriations
- Increase Existing Revenues
- Decrease Existing Revenues
- Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
 - Yes
 - No
- Decrease Costs

Local:

- No Local Government Costs
 - Indeterminate
 - 1. Increase Costs
 - Permissive
 - Mandatory
 - 2. Decrease Costs
 - Permissive
 - Mandatory
 - 3. Increase Revenue
 - Permissive
 - Mandatory
 - 4. Decrease Revenue
 - Permissive
 - Mandatory
5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
- Towns
 - Counties
 - School Districts
 - Village
 - Others
 - WTCS Districts
 - Cities

Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS	

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The State Public Defender (SPD) is statutorily authorized and required to appoint attorneys to represent indigent defendants in criminal and certain commitment proceedings. The SPD plays a critical role in ensuring that the Wisconsin justice system complies with the right to counsel provided by both the state and federal constitutions. Any legislation has the potential to increase SPD costs if it creates a new criminal offense, expands the definition of an existing criminal offense, or increases the penalties for an existing offense.

Assembly Bill (AB) 23 clarifies statute to reflect current practice that, in order to qualify for public defender representation as a parent in a termination of parental rights case, a person must meet financial eligibility criteria as determined by statute.

As this is not a change to practice, AB 23 will not have a fiscal effect.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications