

### Fiscal Estimate - 2017 Session

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<b>LRB Number</b> 17-1385/1	<b>Introduction Number</b> AB-0614	
<b>Description</b> the regulation of ferrous metallic mining and related activities		
<b>Fiscal Effect</b>		
<b>State:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 30%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations  <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations  <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations                 </div> <div style="width: 30%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues  <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues                 </div> <div style="width: 30%;"> <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No  <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs                 </div> </div>		
<b>Local:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 30%;">                     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                 </div> <div style="width: 30%;">                     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                 </div> <div style="width: 30%;">                     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                 </div> </div>		
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## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

DNR 1/3/2018

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<b>Description</b> the regulation of ferrous metallic mining and related activities					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill changes the laws relating to the regulation of iron mining so that they are substantially the same as what had existed before enactment of 2013 Wisconsin Act 1, which created new laws for regulating metallic mining and specified that laws regulating metallic mining apply to nonferrous minerals only.

In addition, it changes laws with respect to ferrous mining sites located on managed forest land (MFL) so that they are substantially the same as what had existed before enactment of 2013 Wisconsin Act 81, which specified that MFL public access requirements do not apply to an area of land within a certain distance of a proposed iron mining site.

#### A. Regulation of Iron Mining

Given the variety of physical/geographical circumstances, the unknown number of applications and the complexity of regulatory assumptions surrounding any potential mining project that could be submitted for DNR review, the Department characterizes the fiscal impact of the bill as indeterminate

#### B. Mining Sites Located on MFL Land

The bill reverses components to the MFL program that address public access to certain MFL land located within a proposed ferrous mining site and the MFL acreage share taxes that are assessed on those lands. These MFL components were originally enacted into law in 2013 WI Act 81.

Since the Act 81 provisions were never utilized (i.e. there were no MFL acreage that qualified for the provisions), there is no fiscal impact to reversing the provisions and thus returning the MFL program back to pre-Act 81 status.

Minor administrative costs would be incurred to update guidance documents and make minor database programming changes to remove references to ferrous mining.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications