

### Fiscal Estimate - 2019 Session

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<b>LRB Number</b> <b>19-4247/1</b>	<b>Introduction Number</b> <b>AB-0524</b>
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**Description**  
 farmer tuition assistance grants and making an appropriation

**Fiscal Effect**

**State:**

<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase 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"/> Indeterminate	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations		<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations		
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations		

**Local:**

<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs		
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate		
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	<b>5. Types of Local Government Units Affected</b> <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
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue	
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	

<b>Fund Sources Affected</b>	<b>Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS	20.115(3)(a), 20.115(4)(f)

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**Fiscal Estimate Narratives**  
**DATCP 10/16/2019**

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**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

This bill creates a biennial appropriation for the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) to make farmer tuition assistance grants to those farmers that qualify under statute s. 93.51(2)(b). Current law authorizes DATCP to make grants to low-income farmers for paying all or part of the tuition for courses on farm and business management techniques offered by a technical college but funding for the grant program was eliminated in the early 2000s. This bill will restore funding for the grant program.

DATCP will incur costs to revitalize the program and then ongoing costs associated with administering the grant program. DATCP is not able to estimate one time and ongoing costs because we are not able to estimate the number of farmers who would apply, qualify and receive payments from the new appropriation but anticipate the costs will be minimal.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**