

**Fiscal Estimate - 2019 Session**

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<b>Fiscal Effect</b>	
<b>State:</b>	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	
<b>Local:</b>	
<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs      3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <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 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	
<b>Fund Sources Affected</b>	<b>Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations</b>
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**Fiscal Estimate Narratives**

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**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

Under the bill, no one may practice genetic counseling or use the title "genetic counselor" without a license to practice genetic counseling. A license is granted by a seven-member Genetic Counselors Affiliated Credentialing Board, created under the bill. The bill also requires the board to promulgate rules to adopt the National Society of Genetic Counselors code of ethics to govern the professional conduct of genetic counselors, establish licensure renewal requirements, and establish criteria for the approval of continuing education programs and courses. These requirements largely fall to the Department of Safety and Professional Services.

This bill adds genetic counselors to the list of health care providers under Wis. Stat. ch. 155, which is overseen by the Department of Health Services. Adopting this change will not result in any fiscal impact on the Department.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**