

### Fiscal Estimate - 2019 Session

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<b>Fiscal Effect</b>  <b>State:</b> <input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input checked="" 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		
<b>Local:</b> <input checked="" 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> <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	<b>Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations</b> 20.115 (7)(a), 20.115 (7)(d), 20.115 (4)(f), 20.115(fm)	
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**Fiscal Estimate Narratives**  
**DATCP 2/3/2020**

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**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

This bill creates and impacts a variety of programs at the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP). The bill creates a 1.0 FTE position to coordinate grazing initiatives in the state. The bill also creates a \$250,000 grant program for DATCP to provide grants to reimburse the costs for agricultural producers to apply for a certification of water stewardship; provides \$200,000 to DATCP to provide crop insurance rebates for cover crops; provides a \$250,000 annual appropriation for producer-led watershed protection grants. The bill also makes changes to statutes to allow producer-led groups to apply for DNR's lake protection grants and has DATCP consider externalities such as weather when allocating soil and water resource management grants.

The grazing position is new and funding is provided in the bill for the position. DATCP does not currently have a full-time coordinator of grazing initiatives and would not be able to absorb that workload without the new position. The department anticipates it will be able to absorb the workload associated with the new water stewardship certification grant and cover crop insurance rebate program with existing staff. However, if those programs expand or require more staff time than expected, than an additional staff person may be required. The additional producer-led funding will have no impact on staffing at DATCP. The two statutory revisions will not have any fiscal affect on DATCP or DNR. Local governments could be allocated SWRM funds differently, but there is no overall impact as it is the same pool of money so if some counties receive more funding, others will receive less.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

An additional FTE may be required if the grazing, water stewardship certification and cover crop rebate programs become more administratively complex over time.

## Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2019 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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<b>I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):</b>			
<b>II. Annualized Costs:</b>		<b>Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:</b>	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
<b>A. State Costs by Category</b>			
	State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$86,400	\$
	(FTE Position Changes)		
	State Operations - Other Costs		
	Local Assistance		
	Aids to Individuals or Organizations	700,000	
	<b>TOTAL State Costs by Category</b>	<b>\$786,400</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>B. State Costs by Source of Funds</b>			
	GPR	786,400	
	FED		
	PRO/PRS		
	SEG/SEG-S		
<b>III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, ets.)</b>			
		Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
	GPR Taxes	\$	\$
	GPR Earned		
	FED		
	PRO/PRS		
	SEG/SEG-S		
	<b>TOTAL State Revenues</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT</b>			
		<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
	NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$786,400	\$
	NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$	\$

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