

Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session

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LRB Number 21-4922/1	Introduction Number AB-1168	
Description facilitating voter registration for applicants for public assistance		
Fiscal Effect		
State: <input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		
Local: <input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue 5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts		
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

This bill would require the Department of Children and Families (DCF) to implement additional steps to the application process for all Chapter 49 programs administered by DCF including: W-2, Transitional Jobs, Transform Milwaukee, and Wisconsin Shares. The bill requires DCF to determine if the applicant for these programs is (1) registered to vote, (2) provide the opportunity to register to vote, and (3) provide information about how to register to vote if the applicant declines the registration opportunity.

The Department anticipates that this will have a fiscal impact on local agency administrative costs for staff time in adding steps to their existing work, however, any additional costs are indeterminate since we do not currently have data that shows how many people would need assistance registering to vote.

Within the Department there is a possible automation cost associated with modifying the systems used to administer Chapter 49 programs, including Cares Worker Web (CWW), to track and automate applicant data in connection to the voter registration database. CWW is a system used by DCF and the Department of Health Services (DHS) and developed by Deloitte Consulting and the cost is indeterminate since there is significant analysis that needs to be completed prior to determining the cost impact. There would also be an associated mailing cost with distributing voter registration information for applicants who apply in person for both counties and the Department.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications