**Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session**

**LRB Number** 21-2858/1  
**Introduction Number** AB-0235

**Description**
rural economic development programs administered by the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation and farm support grants

**Fiscal Effect**

**State:**
- ☑ No State Fiscal Effect
- ☐ Indeterminate
  - ☐ Increase Existing Appropriations
  - ☐ Decrease Existing Appropriations
  - ☐ Create New Appropriations
  - ☐ Increase Revenues
  - ☐ Decrease Revenues
  - ☐ Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency’s budget
    - ☑ Yes
    - ☐ No
  - ☐ Decrease Costs

**Local:**
- ☐ No Local Government Costs
- ☑ Indeterminate
  - 1. ☐ Increase Costs
    - ☐ Permissive
    - ☐ Mandatory
  - 2. ☐ Decrease Costs
    - ☐ Permissive
    - ☐ Mandatory
  - 3. ☐ Increase Revenue
    - ☐ Permissive
    - ☐ Mandatory
  - 4. ☐ Decrease Revenue
    - ☐ Permissive
    - ☐ Mandatory
  - 5. Types of Local Government Units Affected
    - ☐ Towns
    - ☐ Village
    - ☐ Cities
    - ☐ Counties
    - ☐ Others
    - ☐ School Districts
    - ☐ WTCS Districts

**Fund Sources Affected**
- ☐ GPR
- ☑ FED
- ☐ PRO
- ☐ PRS
- ☐ SEG
- ☐ SEGS

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill requires the governor to allocate $50,000,000 of the funds accepted under the federal American Rescue Plan Act of 2021 (ARPA) and requires the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation (WEDC) to directly expend ARPA funding for rural economic development, and to indirectly expend ARPA funding for rural economic development via grants to state agencies or county and regional economic development organizations.

WEDC assumes adding additional requirements to the corporation will reduce resources available for other activities and programs.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications