

### Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session

Original
  Updated
  Corrected
  Supplemental

**LRB Number** 21-5741/1
 **Introduction Number** AB-0996

**Description**  
 overseeing the administration of elections

**Fiscal Effect**

**State:**

No State Fiscal Effect  
 Indeterminate  
 Increase Existing Appropriations  
 Decrease Existing Appropriations  
 Create New Appropriations  
 Increase Existing Revenues  
 Decrease Existing 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

**Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**

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## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill creates several requirements for the Wisconsin Elections Commission regarding the use of federal funds and the implementation of federal election guidance that require additional administrative procedures to be followed by the agency but those would have a negligible fiscal impact.

This bill also requires municipalities to report additional elections statistics after each election, many of which are already collected through required data entry and data reporting requirements. Several additional data points would be required to be reported to WEC, and those would create some additional work for municipal clerks, or their third-party representative such as their county clerk, to report to WEC, but these additions do not appear to be substantial.

New reporting requirements would be created for county clerks regarding certain voting-related statistics. It is assumed that these new requirements would increase the amount of resources county clerks spend on administering an election. It is currently unknown how long it would take each county clerk to compile and report the required statistics, but it is expected that the counties would incur some additional costs.

In addition, the bill requires that agency staff counsel be appointed by the legislative leadership of the two major political parties and that the WEC must archive a copy of the registration list on a monthly basis but each of those requirements could be absorbed within the existing agency budget.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications