



**Fiscal Estimate Narratives**

**WTCS 4/28/2021**

LRB Number <b>21-2832/1</b>	Introduction Number <b>SB-313</b>	Estimate Type <b>Original</b>
<b>Description</b> technical college fees covered by the Wisconsin GI Bill		

**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

Under current law, an individual who is eligible for the WI GI Bill receives remission to cover the cost of tuition and fees when they enroll in a program at a Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) District or a University of Wisconsin System (UWS) Institution. The Higher Education Aids Board (HEAB) is annually appropriated \$6,496,700 to reimburse the WTCS and UWS for the WI GI Bill program.

The proposed legislation requires a technical college district to also remit the student activity and incidental fees for eligible individuals who receive the Wisconsin GI Bill.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

In FY2020, WTCS districts remitted \$4,285,675 and was reimbursed \$617,086 by HEAB for the WI GI Bill program. WTCS districts are absorbing 86% of the Wisconsin GI Bill program.

Under the proposed legislation, WTCS districts would have remitted an additional \$266,000 and would be required to absorb the increase.