## Fiscal Estimate - 2023 Session

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LRB Number 23-3528/2	Introduction Number	AB-0387				
Description creating a child care reimbursement account program, providing an income tax subtraction for certain contributions to a child care reimbursement account, and granting rule-making authority						
Fiscal Effect						
Appropriations	ease Existing absorb within a	s - May be possible to agency's budget  No				
Local:  No Local Government Costs  Indeterminate  1. Increase Costs Permissive Mandatory  2. Decrease Costs Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Permissive Mandatory Districts  5. Types of Local Government Units Affected Towns Village Counties Others School WTCS Districts						
Fund Sources Affected  Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations  GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEGS						
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# Fiscal Estimate Narratives DOR 9/11/2023

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#### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill requires the Department of Financial Institutions to establish a childcare reimbursement account program. Parents or other legal guardians with a qualifying child may establish an account from which qualifying childcare expenses are paid.

Beginning in tax year 2024, individuals may contribute to an account and deduct the amount contributed for state income tax purposes. The maximum total contribution per account per calendar year is \$10,000 (\$5,000 if the account owner is a person who is married and files separately).

Only an account owner may withdraw funds held in an account, and the account owner may withdraw these funds only to pay for the qualifying expenses of a qualifying child. Generally, if funds contributed to an account are not expended for qualifying expenses in the calendar year they were contributed, the funds are forfeited. The bill prohibits claiming the subtraction for amounts used to claim the federal dependent care credit. It also prohibits establishing or contributing to an account if the owner of the account has any amount of income excluded under a federal dependent care flexible spending account.

These accounts only provide a state income tax subtraction, while the existing dependent care credit and flexible spending accounts also provide federal benefits. As a result, these accounts are likely to be used primarily when individuals claim the federal/state child and dependent care credits and still have additional childcare expenses above the limit for those credits.

Based on data from the DOR individual income tax sample for 2018, there were approximately 34,000 individuals who claimed expenses above the federal child and dependent care credit maximum and did not use an employer-sponsored dependent care assistance program. If each of those individuals applied for and contributed to an account under this bill, they could have claimed approximately \$160 million in Wisconsin subtractions, for a revenue reduction of approximately \$8.0 million.

According to the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Net Tax Reduction Calculation Update memo released by the Department of Administration on 8/28/2023, the remaining margin for tax reductions before triggering potential SLFRF recoupment at \$113 million for fiscal year 2023-24 and \$319 million for fiscal year 2024-25. This bill would reduce these margins by the amount of fiscal effect.

#### Long-Range Fiscal Implications

### Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2023 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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