# Fiscal Estimate - 2023 Session

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**Description**

rural creative economy grant program and making an appropriation

## Fiscal Effect

### State:

- [ ] No State Fiscal Effect
- [x] Indeterminate
  - [ ] Increase Existing Appropriations
  - [ ] Decrease Existing Appropriations
  - [x] Create New Appropriations
  - [ ] Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
  - [x] Yes
  - [ ] No
  - [ ] Decrease Costs

### Local:

- [ ] No Local Government Costs
- [x] Indeterminate
  - 1. [x] Increase Costs
    - [ ] Permissive
    - [ ] Mandatory
  - 2. [x] Decrease Costs
    - [ ] Permissive
    - [ ] Mandatory
  - 3. [x] Increase Revenue
    - [ ] Permissive
    - [ ] Mandatory
  - 4. [x] Decrease Revenue
    - [ ] Permissive
    - [ ] Mandatory

### 5. Types of Local Government Units Affected

- [ ] Towns
- [ ] Village
- [ ] Cities
- [ ] Counties
- [ ] Others
- [ ] School Districts
- [ ] WTCS Districts

## Fund Sources Affected

- [x] GPR
- [ ] FED
- [ ] PRO
- [ ] PRS
- [ ] SEG
- [ ] SEGS

**Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations**

- 20.380 (3) (dm)

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

2023 Assembly Bill 449 (AB-449) would create a rural creative economy grant program under s. 41.567, Wis. Stats., to be administered by the Wisconsin Arts Board under the Department of Tourism as well as a new continuing GPR appropriation, s. 20.380 (3) (dm), Wis. Stats., to fund the program.

The program would be appropriated $500,000 GPR annually to award rural creative economy development grants on a competitive basis to for-profit and not-for-profit businesses; municipal, county, and tribal governmental agencies; and business development organizations. Any grant awarded under this program may not exceed $50,000 and would be required to be expended solely for the benefit of rural areas of the state as defined in the bill as a city, town, or village with a population of less than 20,000, an area that is not an urbanized area as defined by the U.S. Census Bureau, or a county that has a population of less than 25,000. In order to be eligible, grantees would be required to secure funding equal to the amount of the proposed grant from non-state sources.

Under the bill, the Wisconsin Arts Board would be required to develop a matrix to evaluate the effectiveness of rural creative economy development grants awarded under the section and to submit a report on the effectiveness to the Joint Committee on Finance no later than May 1, 2025.

The Wisconsin Arts Board anticipates that the additional workload of administering the program is absorbable under current expenditure authority and staffing levels. Minimal one-time costs related to marketing the program, updating relevant materials, and developing program guidelines are also anticipated to be absorbable within current staffing levels and expenditure authority.

An increase in financial management support would also be required from the Department of Administration’s Division of Enterprise Operations (DEO); the Department provides administrative and financial support to the Arts Board. Ongoing DEO personnel resources would be required, such as for: assisting the Arts Board in meeting reporting requirements, managing expenditures, and monitoring audits. DEO anticipates it would be able to absorb the workload within current staffing levels and expenditure authority.

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:**

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<td>State Operations - Salaries and Fringes</td>
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<td>Local Assistance</td>
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<td>Aids to Individuals or Organizations</td>
<td>500,000</td>
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<td><strong>TOTAL State Costs by Category</strong></td>
<td>$500,000</td>
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**B. State Costs by Source of Funds**

| 500,000 |
| FED |
| PRO/PRS |
| SEG/SEG-S |

**III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)**

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