

### Fiscal Estimate - 2023 Session

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  Supplemental

LRB Number <b>23-2947/1</b>	Introduction Number <b>SB-0401</b>
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**Description**  
 prohibiting institutions of higher education from conducting gain of function research on potentially pandemic pathogens, requiring reporting of the intention to conduct research on potentially pandemic pathogens, and providing a penalty

**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      3.  Increase Revenue
    - Permissive  Mandatory       Permissive  Mandatory
    - 2.  Decrease Costs      4.  Decrease Revenue
    - Permissive  Mandatory       Permissive  Mandatory
- 5. Types of Local Government Units Affected**
- Towns       Village       Cities
  - Counties       Others
  - School Districts       WTCS Districts

<b>Fund Sources Affected</b>	<b>Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS	

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

Senate Bill 401 prohibits institutions of higher education, including technical colleges, from conducting or providing funding to another entity to conduct gain of function research on potentially pandemic pathogens. The bill prohibits the WTCS Board from allocating state funds to technical colleges violating the provisions of the bill. The bill also requires a person to submit a report to the Department of Health Services (DHS) at least 90 days before beginning research on potentially pandemic pathogens and allows DHS to request additional information about the research and to request an executive order or injunction to stop the research if DHS determines the research poses a substantial and unjustifiable risk to public health and safety, the capacity of public health systems, or the security of this state.

WTCS colleges are not research institutions engaged in gain of function research on potentially pandemic pathogens and as a result, there are no anticipated fiscal impacts for WTCS or the technical colleges.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**