



## Fiscal Estimate Narratives

SPD 6/16/2025

LRB Number	25-3032/1	Introduction Number	AB-0259	Estimate Type	Original
<b>Description</b> criminal trespass at a campground and providing a penalty					

### Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The State Public Defender (SPD) is statutorily authorized and required to appoint attorneys to represent indigent defendants in criminal and certain commitment proceedings. The SPD plays a critical role in ensuring that the Wisconsin justice system complies with the right to counsel provided by both the state and federal constitutions. Any legislation has the potential to increase SPD costs if it creates a new criminal offense, expands the definition of an existing criminal offense, or increases the penalties for an existing offense.

Assembly Bill 259 requires a law enforcement officer to arrest and take a person into custody if the law enforcement officer has probable cause to believe that the person has not departed from the campground after receiving the request to depart. Creating a misdemeanor charge and resulting arrest would increase SPD's workload and expenditures.

### Long-Range Fiscal Implications