

FISCAL ESTIMATE FOR ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

- Original Updated
 Corrected Supplemental

LRB Number	Amendment Number if Applicable
Bill Number	Administrative Rule Number HFS 157

Subject
 Fee for registration of x-ray devices

Fiscal Effect

State: No State Fiscal Effect

Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation or effects a sum sufficient appropriation.

- Increase Existing Appropriation Increase Existing Revenues
 Decrease Existing Appropriation Decrease Existing Revenues
 Create New Appropriation

- Increase Costs – May be possible to absorb within agency's budget.
 Yes No
 Decrease Costs

Local: No Local Government Costs

1. Increase Costs
 Permissive Mandatory
2. Decrease Costs
 Permissive Mandatory
3. Increase Costs
 Permissive Mandatory
4. Decrease Costs
 Permissive Mandatory

5. Types of Local Government Units Affected:

- Towns Villages Cities
 Counties Others:
 School Districts WCTS Districts

Private: No Anticipated Significant Fiscal Effect on the Private Sector

1. Possible Incurred Costs
 Anticipated Costs

2. Types of Private Entities Affected

Any facility using x-ray devices, including hospitals, medical clinics, dentists, chiropractors, podiatrists and industrial facilities.

Fund Sources Affected

- GPR FED PRO PRS SEG SEG-S

Affected Chapter 20 Appropriations

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under s. 254.34 (1) (a), WI Stats., the Department of Health and Family Services is responsible for developing and enforcing rules, including registration and licensing of sources of ionizing radiation, to prohibit and prevent unnecessary radiation exposure. Sources of ionizing radiation include x-ray producing devices. The Department assesses an annual site registration fee, plus a fee for each x-ray tube, that supports the Department's x-ray registration and inspection program. The Department is authorized under s. 254.35 (3) to increase the fee by rule. The current x-ray registration fees are as follows:

- * Physicians and clinics, osteopaths, chiropractors, hospitals: \$36 site fee, \$44 for each x-ray tube
- * Podiatric or veterinary site: \$36 site fee, \$44 for each x-ray tube
- * Dental site: \$36 site fee, \$30 for each x-ray tube
- * Industrial, research or other site: \$36 site fee, \$44 for each x-ray tube.

Since the last fee increase in 1996, program costs have increased annually due to inflation. Revenue from current fees is not sufficient to cover current operating expenses. To meet current costs, the Department is proposing to increase the annual x-ray site registration and x-ray tube fees, as follows:

- * Increase the site fee to \$50 from \$36.
- * For all sites other than dental sites, increase the x-ray tube fee to \$50 from \$44.
- * For dental sites, increase the x-ray tube fee to \$35 from \$30.

As indicated, revenue from current fees is not sufficient to cover current operating expenses. The Department projects a deficit of (\$27,770) in SFY 06 increasing to (\$135,310) in SFY 07 with no fee increase. The proposed fee increase will nearly eliminate the deficit by SFY 07 and fully eliminate it in SFY 08. The net effect of this rule will be to provide sufficient revenue for the x-ray registration and inspection program to operate as authorized by state law.

The device-based fee structure has the least impact on small business. For example, a dental office with one x-ray tube would pay an additional \$19 in annual fees as a result of the proposed fee increase (\$66 current; \$85 proposed). A medical, chiropractic or podiatry office with one x-ray tube would pay an additional \$20 in annual fees as a result of the proposed fee increase (\$80 current, \$100 proposed).

Long Range Fiscal Implications

This rule order is projected to provide sufficient revenue to sustain the Department's x-ray registration and inspection program for a minimum 5-10 years.

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