ADMINISTRATIVE RULES Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

1. Type of Estimate and Analysis	2. Date	
☐ Original ☐ Updated ☐Corrected	July 29, 2022	
3. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number (and Clearinghouse Number if applicable) DWD 801 - Wisconsin Fast Forward Workforce Training Grants		
4. Subject Workforce training grants under the Wisconsin Fast Forward program		
5. Fund Sources Affected	6. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected Section 20.445 (1) (b), Wis. Stats.	
7. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule ☑ No Fiscal Effect ☐ Increase Existing Revenues ☐ Indeterminate ☐ Decrease Existing Revenues	□ Increase Costs □ Decrease Costs □ Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget	
8. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply) State's Economy Specific Businesses/Sectors Local Government Units Public Utility Rate Payers Small Businesses (if checked, complete Attachment A)		
9. Estimate of Implementation and Compliance to Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(1). \$0		
 10. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals Be \$10 Million or more Over Any 2-year Period, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(2)? ☐ Yes ☐ No 		
11. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule		
The proposed rule implements the requirement under s. 106.27 (2g) (a) 1., Stats., to promulgate rules prescribing		
procedures and criteria for awarding grants under the expanded Wisconsin Fast Forward program that are authorized under s. 106.27 (1), Stats. and prescribing the information that must be included in reports about the grants that grant		
 recipients must submit to the Department. 12. Summary of the Businesses, Business Sectors, Associations Representing Business, Local Governmental Units, and Individuals that may be Affected by the Proposed Rule that were Contacted for Comments. 		
The Department provided an opportunity for the public, including the above entities, to submit comments on the economic impact for 14 days. The Department did not receive any comments.		
13. Identify the Local Governmental Units that Participated in the Development of this EIA.As noted above, the Department did not receive any comments from local government units.		
14. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)		
The proposed rule will effectuate the anticipated economic impact intended by the Legislature in enacting 2017 Wis. Act 59, sections 1397 to 1402c, and 2019 Wisconsin Act 9, section 1325c, which created the additional grants under the expanded Wisconsin Fast Forward program.		
15. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule Promulgating the rule will ensure that the Department remains in compliance with s. 106.27 (2g) (a) 1., Stats.		
16. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule The long-range implications are the same as the benefit described above.		
17. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government The Workforce Innovation and Opportunity Act (WIOA), Public Law 113-128, provides funding for employment and training programs. With the approval of the Council on Workforce Investment, the Department provides grant		

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allocations to 11 regional workforce development boards, which fund and supervise local programs. Programs for employment placement and retention, job training, and education-related training programs are delivered through Wisconsin Job Centers.

The proposed rule has purposes that are similar to those under federal regulations implementing WIOA, 20 CFR part 652. Those federal regulations relate to the establishment and functioning of state employment service and have the basic purpose to improve the functioning of the nation's labor markets by bringing together individuals who are seeking employment and employers who are seeking workers.

18. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota) Minnesota. The Minnesota Job Skills Partnership Program is a state grant program, funded by state general purpose revenue, which is focused on connecting state businesses with training opportunities through educational or nonprofit institutions who can provide skills development training for the workforce. Approximately 65% of the grants have provided skills training for state manufacturers, which is followed by health and social service providers. Financial match was recently lowered to a one-to-one ratio, which requires employers to provide approximately 1 dollar for every public dollar provided. Partnership grants are awarded in amounts up to \$400,000, with a "short form" application option available to grantees requesting \$50,000 or less.

Illinois. The Illinois Department of Commerce and Economic Opportunity offers the Illinois Talent Pipeline program, which provides employer-based grant opportunities in the following categories: class-sized training, customized training, incumbent worker training, on-the-job training, and apprenticeship opportunities. These programs allow employers to upgrade the skills of their employees, remain current with technology and business practices, and provide new skills to new hires. The program continually expects to award 8 to 10 pilot projects of \$250,000 to \$500,000 each cycle, with up to 50 percent of eligible costs being reimbursable. Illinois has not offered additional funding for this program since the 2018 state fiscal year.

Iowa. Legislation passed in 2018 created the Future Ready Initiative, which connects individuals to the education and training needed to obtain careers and jobs at a livable wage. The initiative offers opportunities for adult learners, high school students, teachers, counselors, and employers. As part of this initiative, the Employer Innovation Fund provides a grant opportunity for employers to carry out creative solutions to address local workforce needs. Program offerings include certifications, trainings, funding for mobile construction labs, and other offerings. The maximum grant award is \$50,000 and a one-to-one match ratio is required. In addition, projects must be completed within a 12-month period.

Michigan. The Michigan Industry Cluster Approach strategy focuses on the following industry clusters: agriculture, construction, energy, healthcare, information technology, and manufacturing, mobility, hospitality, and outdoor recreation. Under the strategy, regional agencies work with employers to identify industry demand and vacancies to provide input on the design of educational program offerings, employment skills requirements, and the development of industry solutions. By partnering with regional cluster teams, the state's cluster team can align services and programs with identified needs for workers and skills statewide. There are various programs under this strategy, including the Michigan Industry Cluster Approach 2.0 grant program, which focuses on helping the development and launch of employer-led collaboratives to provide funds for talent recruitments, customized training programs, transportation, financial planning education, and other purposes.

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ATTACHMENT A

1. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Small Businesses (Separately for each Small Business Sector, Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

2. Summary of the data sources used to measure the Rule's impact on Small Businesses

3. Did the agency consider the following methods to reduce the impact of the Rule on Small Businesses?

Less Stringent Compliance or Reporting Requirements

Less Stringent Schedules or Deadlines for Compliance or Reporting

Consolidation or Simplification of Reporting Requirements

Establishment of performance standards in lieu of Design or Operational Standards

Exemption of Small Businesses from some or all requirements

Other, describe:

4. Describe the methods incorporated into the Rule that will reduce its impact on Small Businesses

5. Describe the Rule's Enforcement Provisions

6. Did the Agency prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis (if Yes, attach to form) □ Yes □ No