

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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| LRB Number | 19-4394/1 | Introduction Number | SB-499 | Estimate Type | Original |
| Description permitting certain individuals to make requests for medication for the purpose of ending their lives and providing a penalty | | | | | |

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill permits an individual who is of sound mind, is not incapacitated, is at least 18 years of age, is a resident of Wisconsin, and has a terminal disease to request voluntarily medication from his or her attending physician for the purpose of ending the individual's life in a humane and dignified manner. The bill authorizes the individual's attending physician to issue a prescription for the medication if specified requirements are met. Further, the bill creates a statutory request for medication authorization form and requires that the Department of Health Services prepare and provide copies of the form for distribution to certain facilities, associations, and persons.

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The immediate fiscal impact on District Attorney offices, if any, resulting from this legislation is unknown. Further study would be needed to assess the potential impact.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The long-term fiscal impact on District Attorney offices, if any, resulting from this legislation is unknown. Further study would be needed to assess the potential impact.