

Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session

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LRB Number 21-1471/1	Introduction Number AB-0338
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Description
 the use of a portable wireless communication device while driving and providing a penalty

Fiscal Effect

State:

No State Fiscal Effect
 Indeterminate

<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
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Local:

No Local Government Costs
 Indeterminate

1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	3. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Towns <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Village <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts
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Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<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

The IT work required to account for the changes to the charging statutes would cost approximately \$23,300 and require approximately 3 months to implement.

Under state statute, no forfeiture collected from traffic violations is distributed to DOT. See 59.25(3)(j) and 66.0114(3)(b)

Local governments may see an increase in revenue from the forfeiture collected from traffic citations. The exact number of citations that would be issued is unclear. The State of Washington enacted similar legislation in 2017 and saw a total of 6,475 citations issued in the first six months of implementation, which if holding constant would mean a total of 12,950 citations for the full year. Wisconsin has approximately 78.6% the number of licensed drivers that Washington has, which would mean a total of approximately 10,179 citations if the same proportion of citations to drivers is issued in Wisconsin.

The legislation amends statute so that the maximum forfeiture that may be assessed for first offense is \$100. However, it is possible that the amount would be set to a lower amount, such as what is assessed currently (\$20) for using a hand-held wireless communication device in a construction zone. For convictions of citations issued under state statute, 50% of the forfeiture (base deposit) would go to the county in which the citation is issued.

If there were to be 10,179 first offense convictions with the range of forfeitures between \$20 and \$100 the result for county governments would be \$101,790 - \$508,950. It is likely that this range would fluctuate as time passes, as increased awareness of the penalty will likely lead to fewer violations over time but will also create second and subsequent offenders.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

A small long-term increase in ticket revenue for counties and local governments.

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2021 Session

Detailed Estimate of Annual Fiscal Effect

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I. One-time Costs or Revenue Impacts for State and/or Local Government (do not include in annualized fiscal effect):

The IT work required to account for the changes to the charging statutes would cost approximately \$23,300 and require approximately 3 months to implement.

II. Annualized Costs:	Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
	Increased Costs	Decreased Costs

A. State Costs by Category		
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$0	\$0
(FTE Position Changes)	(0.0 FTE)	(-0.0 FTE)
State Operations - Other Costs	0	0
Local Assistance	0	0
Aids to Individuals or Organizations	0	0
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$0	\$0

B. State Costs by Source of Funds		
GPR	0	0
FED	0	0
PRO/PRS	0	0
SEG/SEG-S	0	0

III. State Revenues - Complete this only when proposal will increase or decrease state revenues (e.g., tax increase, decrease in license fee, etc.)

	Increased Rev	Decreased Rev
GPR Taxes	\$0	\$0
GPR Earned	0	0
FED	0	0
PRO/PRS	0	0
SEG/SEG-S	0	0
TOTAL State Revenues	\$0	\$0

NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT

	<u>State</u>	<u>Local</u>
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$0	\$0
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$0	\$0

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