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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill would exempt charging application fees to service members, provides \$500,000 for a partnership program for Lake Superior research and has DSPS fund a study that analyzes and makes recommendations on practices that mitigate the risk of contaminating ground and surface waters with septage at UW-Stevens Point among other items that do not pertain to the University of Wisconsin System.

The UW System does not have information on the number of service members applications submitted. For this estimate, it is assumed that the percentage of service members versus non-service members applying for admission is the same as the percentage of service members verses non-service members that are admitted. Based on this assumption, there would be 2,200 service member applications annually. Approximately 18% of the total service member students attend UW-Madison.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Currently application fees have been suspended at all campuses except UW-Madison (\$65), UW-Eau Claire and UW-La Crosse (\$25). Once the suspension is lifted all campuses application fees, except UW-Madison, will be \$25. Utilizing the assumptions above the UW System estimates the lost revenue to be \$71,000 PRO.

The bill also creates a new appropriation which provides \$500,000 GPR in FY22 and FY23 for a partnership program for Lake Superior research.

Additionally, the bill requires UW-Stevens Point to conduct a study that would be funded by DSPS regarding practiced that mitigate the risk of contamination ground and surface waters with septage. UW-Stevens Point Department of Soil and Waste Resources estimates the cost of the study over two years to be \$183,200 which includes:

A graduate assistant would be conducting the bulk of the work and a stipend of \$1,542/mo. would be paid equally over 24 months for a total of \$37,000.

An undergraduate student would conduct sampling and lab analyses at a rate of \$12/hour for 150 hours per year for a total of \$3,600.

An overload of \$5,000 would be paid to the faculty member who coordinates the study's activities.

The fringe benefit amount of \$17,800 was calculated using UW-Stevens Point actual fringe benefit rates.

Travel costs of \$10,000 assume 350 miles to and from each site. It also includes 9 overnight stays so locations can be sampled back-to-back.

Supplies/Services/Expenses totaling \$87,800 includes \$86,300 for the cost of the analyses and three \$500 honorariums to Wisconsin Liquid Waste Carriers Association (WLWCA) advisors to travel to UW-Stevens Point for strategic planning meetings.

An \$11,0000/year tuition remission would be provided to the graduate assistant conducting the bulk of the work totaling \$22,000.