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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Under current law, the Department of Corrections (DOC) was required to provide law enforcement, victims and the general public internet access to certain information on registered sex offenders by June 1, 2001 (1999 Wisconsin Act 89). In order to meet this requirement, DOC is currently designing three internet pages: one for law enforcement, one for victims and one for the general public. It is unclear when this project will be completed, because in order to ensure accuracy, the data in DOC's numerous underlying data systems must be reconciled before the information can be posted to the internet. Data reconciliation is very time consuming because of DOC's many independent systems and the sheer volume of data. In an effort to consolidate DOC's many independent and outdated data systems, DOC is currently developing the integrated corrections system (ICS).

AB 452 would require the Department to enhance the sex offender registry website by adding additional search features and by allowing the general public access to information that would have only been available to law enforcement under the previous legislation. In addition, the bill requires local law enforcement agencies to display information regarding individuals on the sex offender registry. This information must be in English and Spanish and be readily accessible to members of the public. The bill also requires local law enforcement to provide a written notice to members of the community twice each year regarding information contained in the sex offender registry.

As indicated earlier, it is unclear when DOC will be able to complete the sex offender registry website. Since we don't have a firm timetable on completion of data reconciliation and system changes that are needed for implementation of current law, it is impossible at this time to determine the costs of changes mandated by this bill.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications