

Fiscal Estimate - 2001 Session

Original Updated Corrected Supplemental

LRB Number 01-3845/3	Introduction Number SB-328
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Subject

Crimes related to terrorism; death penalty for first-degree homicide committed with intent to terrorize; permit retired law enforcement personnel to obtain license for carrying a concealed weapon

Fiscal Effect

State:

- No State Fiscal Effect
- Indeterminate
 - Increase Existing Appropriations Increase Existing Revenues
 - Decrease Existing Appropriations Decrease Existing Revenues
 - Create New Appropriations

Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
 Yes No
 Decrease Costs

Local:

- No Local Government Costs
- Indeterminate

1. Increase Costs
 Permissive Mandatory
2. Decrease Costs
 Permissive Mandatory

3. Increase Revenue
 Permissive Mandatory
4. Decrease Revenue
 Permissive Mandatory

5. Types of Local Government Units Affected

- Towns Village Cities
- Counties Others
- School Districts WTCS Districts

Fund Sources Affected	Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS s.20.475(1)(d)	

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Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Most of the changes in statute created by this bill would have a minimal impact on the number of additional cases referred to District Attorneys' offices in Wisconsin, although the increased penalties may increase the number of jury trials that are requested.

The unknown elements are the impact of the creation of 1) a capital punishment provision and 2) a license to carry a concealed weapon. The capital punishment provision is very limited in scope and it is not clear from currently available data if any such crimes have occurred in Wisconsin in the past. Were such a crime to be charged, it would likely be a long and costly trial, but the number of such trials would likely be very small.

With regard to the concealed weapons provision, there would be some unknown number of cases related to the new provisions for penalties relating to licenses to carry the weapons. That number cannot be estimated at this time.

In addition, there may be an increased number of crimes resulting from having a number of persons who were not carrying concealed weapons now start to do so. Again this number cannot be estimated, but if these crimes involve the use of that weapon, which without this bill would not have been available at that moment, the additional cases may be of a very serious nature and thus create a burden for district attorneys' offices.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The full impact of this bill is unknown but potentially significant. It should be closely monitored to determine the actual impact and thus to determine if additional prosecutorial resources are needed.