

Fiscal Estimate - 2007 Session

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LRB Number 07-0596/1	Introduction Number AB-0083
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Description
 Creating an agricultural education and workforce development council and making an appropriation

Fiscal Effect

State:

<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 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 checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
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Local:

<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs <input type="checkbox"/> 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 type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input 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 type="checkbox"/> Towns <input type="checkbox"/> Village <input type="checkbox"/> Cities <input 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

Based on the language included in AB 83, it is not possible to determine the costs for the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) associated with the creation and operation of the Agricultural Education and Workforce Development Council. Several functions assigned to the Council could have important programmatic and financial ramifications for the WTCS and its 16 technical college districts. However, because AB 83 is unclear about the actual WTCS staffing level necessary to support the Agricultural Education and Workforce Development Council in carrying out its assigned functions, it is not possible at this time to quantify specific state or local costs of AB 83.

For example, according to AB 83, the Council shall: "promote the coordination of educational systems and curricula to develop, train, and retrain employees for current and future careers related to agriculture, food, and natural resources" and "recommend policies and other changes to improve the efficiency of the development and provision of agricultural education." AB 83 also assigns the Council responsibility for "advising state agencies on matters related to agricultural education and workforce development," including "the coordination of programs, the exchange of information related to educational needs, and the monitoring and evaluation of programs." The results of its work, including an assessment of agricultural education programs and current and anticipated problems related to agricultural education, are to be issued in an annual report. The extent to which the Council-member agencies will need to provide staff assistance in carrying out these functions and the costs associated with supporting Council activities is unclear.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The long-range fiscal implications depend on the extent to which member agencies provide support to the Council and implement recommendations from the Council and on the nature of the recommendations identified by the Council. If the Council recommends extensive program or policy changes or the development of new programs, implementation of such recommendations could require significant new state and local resources.