

Fiscal Estimate - 2007 Session

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LRB Number 07-3377/1	Introduction Number SB-308	
Description The sale of dogs, regulation of certain dog breeders, granting rule-making authority, making an appropriation, and providing a penalty		
Fiscal Effect		
State: <input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs		
Local: <input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate 1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs 3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory 2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs 4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory <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		
Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations <input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEGS 20.115(2) (j)		
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Fiscal Estimate Narratives
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

Commercial dog breeders in Wisconsin are an unregulated business. The department has no actual data available on how many dog breeders are in the state, and no data on how many dogs are sold annually by commercial dog breeders in this state. Without more data on this we are unable to estimate, with accuracy, the revenue or expenses that would be generated.

However, in order to provide an estimate on the fiscal impact of this bill, DATCP has researched other state programs and found Nebraska's initial pet regulation program was similar to the proposed legislation. Information obtained from talking with the NE program staff was used to provide a basis for this estimate.

Nebraska's program defines a commercial dog breeder as having four or more unaltered male or female animals, if any animals are sold or bred. The program, initially, allowed for inspections to be conducted only in response to a complaint. According to the Nebraska division of animal industry, they license 514 facilities. Ninety-eight percent of these facilities are dog facilities and they have received an average of 87 complaints annually on these dog facilities.

Number of facilities in WI was estimated by adjusting the number of commercial dog facilities licensed in NE to reflect that Wisconsin's population is about 3 times higher than Nebraska's. This increase assumes that there are more facilities breeding animals to meet a higher demand by a larger population. To address the different definition of a commercial breeder we estimated that 1/3 of the facilities would meet the definition for commercial breeder as set forth in the proposed bill.

Utilizing the above methodology, it is estimated that Wisconsin will have 500 commercial dog breeding facilities, and DATCP will receive 86 complaints on facilities that are subject to licensing. DATCP will receive an additional 174 complaints on facilities over which we will have no authority.

Re-inspections will be conducted at 50% of facilities. The average re-inspection cost is projected at \$115.

In order to create and run this program the department would need to develop a licensing database, develop rules, and educate the public about the pet buyer's protection criteria.

DATCP has no information available to differentiate among the three levels defined in the bill draft, an average license fee of \$100 was used for estimating revenue.

Revenue:
Licenses: \$49,900
Re-inspections: \$ 4,900

Expenses:
3.0 FTE: \$204,900 per year

Licensing Database Development: \$68,000 (one time development cost.)

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Fiscal Estimate Worksheet - 2007 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): In order to implement the licensing of commercial dog breeders DATCP will need to create a licensing folder designed to meet the information requirements as outlined in the bill. Development of the folder will cost a minimum of \$68,000			
II. Annualized Costs:		Annualized Fiscal Impact on funds from:	
		Increased Costs	Decreased Costs
A. State Costs by Category			
State Operations - Salaries and Fringes	\$173,400		\$
(FTE Position Changes)	(3.0 FTE)		
State Operations - Other Costs	31,500		
Local Assistance			
Aids to Individuals or Organizations			
TOTAL State Costs by Category	\$204,900		\$
B. State Costs by Source of Funds			
GPR			
FED			
PRO/PRS (20.115)	204,900		
SEG/SEG-S			
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	\$		\$
GPR Earned			
FED			
PRO/PRS (20.115(2))	54,800		
SEG/SEG-S			
TOTAL State Revenues	\$54,800		\$
NET ANNUALIZED FISCAL IMPACT			
	State	Local	
NET CHANGE IN COSTS	\$204,900		\$
NET CHANGE IN REVENUE	\$54,800		\$
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