

Fiscal Estimate Narratives
PSC 2/5/2010

LRB Number 09-3948/1	Introduction Number AB-0661	Estimate Type Original
Description County and municipal expenditures for emergency services		

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

s. 179.07 provides the following:

1. Starting in 2010, a county/municipality must spend the same amount it spent in 2009 on emergency services, not including one-time and capital expenditures. That amount must be reported to DOR. Emergency services only includes emergency services funded under two county and municipal aid statutes.
2. DOR may adjust the amount reported under No. 1 to more accurately reflect what was spent and to ensure that claims of one-time and capital expenditures don't compromise the level of services provided.
3. A county/municipality may, with DOR's approval, reduce the amount it spends if the decrease is the result of increased efficiencies, as determined by DOR.
4. If a county/municipality violates the statute, DOR can reduce the amount it gets from the two county and municipal aid statutes.

This bill would prevent the reduction imposed in 2009 WI Act 28 (roughly \$29.9 million between 2009 and 2010) in county and municipal aid from resulting in a reduction in the level of emergency services provided and to prevent county/local governments from reducing the amount of services it provides. Repealing current law would allow a county or local government to reduce the level of emergency services it is providing without imposing a corresponding reduction in the amount of shared revenue/police and fire protection fee payments it receives.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

Indeterminate