



**Fiscal Estimate Narratives**

**WTCS 12/2/2011**

LRB Number <b>11-3296/1</b>	Introduction Number <b>AB-0398</b>	Estimate Type <b>Original</b>
<b>Description</b> Workforce growth grants to technical college districts and making an appropriation		

**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

AB 398 would create a new annual \$10 million GPR appropriation, beginning in FY 2012-13, for the Wisconsin Technical College System (WTCS) to provide grants to colleges to fund collaborations that address documented skills gaps in key sectors.

The funds provided under the bill would not be included in the existing WTCS State General Aid appropriation, under which funds are provided to Wisconsin's 16 technical colleges by formula, but in a new Categorical Aid appropriation that allows WTCS to target the funds for the specific purposes outlined in the bill.

**Long-Range Fiscal Implications**

Under the bill, WTCS would incur additional grant administration costs.