

Fiscal Estimate - 2017 Session

Original
 Updated
 Corrected
 Supplemental

LRB Number 17-1806/1	Introduction Number AB-0161
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Description
 authorizing a political subdivision to impose setback requirements for certain mobile service support structures

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. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	5. Types of Local Government Units Affected <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Towns <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Village <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Cities <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Counties <input type="checkbox"/> Others <input type="checkbox"/> School Districts <input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue <input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	

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

The Commission has adjudicatory authority over disputes between providers and municipalities over restrictions on siting of utility facilities in public rights of way under Wis. Stats. ss. 96.58 and 182.017.

Commission staff only occasionally receives questions involving such disputes. Staff generally acts as an informal mediator in most cases, and very few such disputes ever require formal Commission action.

AB 161 would allow municipalities impose setbacks "mobile service support structures," that could restrict the placement of towers designed for cellular service and for the multiuse towers which support both cellular and broadband data services. Wisconsin Stats. s. 66.0404(k) points to the federal definition of mobile service, which would include cellular voice and data, but not fixed wireless broadband or WiFi. Fixed wireless and WiFi are increasingly being used to provide broadband in suburban and rural areas. Modern poles and towers are designed to support a variety of facilities, and antennae that support mobile digital services are physically similar to fixed broadband and other non-mobile services. As a result, AB 161 may result in some support structures intended only to support broadband facilities being affected by this change.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications