

Fiscal Estimate - 2017 Session

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LRB Number 17-2248/1	Introduction Number AB-0216
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Description
 permitting certain individuals to make requests for medication for the purpose of ending their lives and providing a criminal penalty

Fiscal Effect

State:

<input type="checkbox"/> No State Fiscal Effect	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues	<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs - May be possible to absorb within agency's budget
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
<input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Create New Appropriations	<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs
<input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Appropriations		

Local:

<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs	5. Types of Local Government Units Affected	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	<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	
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	

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

This bill allows an individual who is of sound mind, at least 18 years of age, a Wisconsin resident and has a terminal disease to request medication voluntarily from his/her attending physician for the purpose of ending the individual's life in a humane and dignified manner. The bill creates several requirements that must be met before the attending physician may issue a prescription in response to the individual's request for medication. The bill establishes penalties for certain actions with regard to the request for medication, but prohibits a health care facility or health care provider from being charged with a crime, being held civilly liable, or being charged with unprofessional conduct for failing to fulfill a request, for fulfilling a valid request, or for acting contrary to or failing to act on a revocation of a request unless they have actual knowledge of the revocation. Additionally, the bill provides that when a patient dies as a result of a request for medication under the bill, a person having knowledge of the death need not report the death to the sheriff, medical examiner, or coroner of the county or the police chief of the community where the death took place as is required for certain other deaths under current law.

Prosecutors foresee little to no impact on their offices as a result of this proposal. Therefore, the fiscal impact of this bill on District Attorney offices is indeterminate.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

For the reasons stated above, the long-range fiscal implications of this bill on District Attorney offices is indeterminate.