

Fiscal Estimate Narratives

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LRB Number	17-2151/1	Introduction Number	AB-0234	Estimate Type	Original
Description creating an Interagency Council on Homelessness and making an appropriation					

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill creates the Interagency Council on Homelessness. Under the bill, the Governor, or the Governor's designee, chairs the council and the council consists of secretaries (or their designees) of certain departments, the executive director of the Wisconsin Housing and Economic Development Authority, the state superintendent of public instruction, and a representative from each of the four Continuum of Care organizations that serve the homeless in Wisconsin. The Department of Health Services Secretary, or his or her designee, will be one of the individuals composing the Council.

The bill provides that the council's responsibilities include appointing a director to coordinate the activities of the council and partner organizations; establishing and periodically reviewing a statewide policy for ending and preventing homelessness; designating individuals from state agencies to implement the policy of the council; and implementing the policy in cooperation with state agencies. The Department's Secretary or designee would serve on the Council, so it is likely the Department will incur some travel expenses associated with the duties of the council. The Department estimates that it will be able to absorb these costs within its budget.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications