Fiscal Estimate - 2023 Session

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the property tax exemption for nonprofit hospitals						

Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The bill disallows a nonprofit hospital from being exempt from property taxation for a year in which the total amount of charity care provided by the hospital during the hospital's most recently completed fiscal year is less than the total amount of property taxes that would have been levied against the hospital's property. Current law generally exempts nonprofit hospital real property that is devoted to the diagnosis, treatment or care of the sick, injured, or disabled.

The fiscal estimate is indeterminate as the value of exempt property is not available whether it includes the entire parcel or part of the parcel. Under current law, each even number year, the owners of exempt property are required to provide an estimate of fair market value within a number of value ranges beginning with "\$1.00-\$10,000 and ending with "OVER \$100 million." Based on the 2022 tax exempt reporting data, the department estimated the exempt value of nonprofit hospitals at \$3.43 billion. Using the cities statewide net tax rate of \$18.07 mills for 2022-23, the property tax exemption could have saved nonprofit hospitals \$61.63 million in property tax payments. According to the FY 2022 Uncompensated Health Care Report, produced the Wisconsin Hospital Association (WHA), charity care for Wisconsin hospitals totaled \$582.59 million. In the report, the WHA defined charity care as health care a hospital provides to a patient who is determined by the hospital to be unable to pay all or a portion of the hospitals normal billed charges.

The department does not have any administrative costs.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications