

Fiscal Estimate - 2021 Session

Original Updated Corrected Supplemental

LRB Number 21-5552/1 Introduction Number AB-0932

Description
requiring certain efforts to expand and promote the apprenticeship and youth apprenticeship programs

Fiscal Effect

State:

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

Local:

<input type="checkbox"/> No Local Government Costs				
<input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate	5.Types of Local Government Units Affected			
1. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs	3. <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> Towns	<input type="checkbox"/> Village	<input type="checkbox"/> Cities
<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Permissive <input type="checkbox"/> Mandatory	<input type="checkbox"/> Counties	<input type="checkbox"/> Others	
2. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs	4. <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Revenue	<input type="checkbox"/> School Districts	<input type="checkbox"/> WTCS Districts	
<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

DWD 2/9/2022

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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

The Department assumes the bill provisions will have no net fiscal effect to Department appropriations. The bill creates a non-statutory provision requiring the governor to allocate to the Department of Workforce Development (DWD) at least \$20 million in federal funds made available under the American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) to expand apprenticeship activities including registered apprenticeships, youth apprenticeships, Apprenticeship Completion Awards, and programs to bridge youth to registered apprenticeships.

In addition, DWD is required to report, at a specified date, to the Joint Committee on Finance the use of the funds allocated for apprenticeship programs.

The bill does not amend any existing language in Chapter 106 (Apprenticeship, employment, and equal rights programs). Assuming the bill's proposed activities constitute an eligible use of ARPA funding under Treasury guidance and sufficient funds are available for the \$20 million allocation, the funding would cover the implementation and operational activities required to:

- 1) Promote and expand the availability of apprenticeship programs by increasing participation, increasing the number of approved programs, and expanding the trades, crafts, and businesses in which programs are available;
- 2) Promote and provide information on the youth apprenticeship (YA) program to currently non-participating schools or schools with lower participation rates, and;
- 3) Bridge connections between youth apprenticeship and apprenticeship programs to create a seamless path between the two programs.

The ARPA funding would also be available to supplement funding for providing additional apprenticeship completion awards. The appropriation at s. 20.445 (1) (dr) Apprenticeship programs, is an annual GPR appropriation. It cannot receive federal funds, but a minimal amount of administrative effort would be needed to coordinate the distribution of ARPA funded awards under this provision.

The period of performance for ARPA ends on December 31, 2024, so it is assumed these expansion efforts would also end by that date.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications