

**FISCAL ESTIMATE**  
DOA-2048 (R06/99)

ORIGINAL  
 CORRECTED

UPDATED  
 SUPPLEMENTAL

LRB or Bill No./Adm. Rule No.  
Chapter Comm 67  
Amendment No. if Applicable

**Subject**  
Rental Unit Energy Efficiency Standards

**Fiscal Effect**

**State:**  No State Fiscal Effect

Check columns below only if bill makes a direct appropriation

affects a sum sufficient appropriation

Increase Existing Appropriation

Decrease Existing Appropriation

Create New Appropriation

Increase Existing Revenues

Decrease Existing Revenues

Increase Costs - May be Possible to Absorb  
Within Agency's Budget  Yes  No

Decrease Costs

**Local:**  No local government costs

1.  Increase Costs  
Units Affected:

Permissive  Mandatory

2.  Decrease Costs

Permissive  Mandatory

3.  Increase Revenues

Permissive  Mandatory

4.  Decrease Revenues

Permissive  Mandatory

Towns

School Districts

5. Types of Local Governmental

Counties

Others \_\_\_\_\_

Villages

Cities

Districts

Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations

School Districts

WTCS

**End Sources Affected**

**Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

State Effect

The Safety and Buildings Division is responsible for administering and enforcing chapter Comm 67 relating to rental unit energy efficiency standards. The proposed rules change the Division's fees charged for administering and enforcing chapter Comm 67 by eliminating the \$25 fee for an application exemption and the \$50 fee charged for each stipulation and waiver issued by the Division. By eliminating the stipulation and waiver fees, the Division's internal fiscal processing would also be improved by eliminating the need to send rebates to the 61 local authorized agents who submit these fees to the agency.

The certification stamp fee will be raised from \$20 to \$30. While there will be a fiscal impact, the proposed rules will not create any additional workload costs.

Local Effect

Local municipalities authorized by the Department to issue certificates of compliance may enforce these rules, and will have the authority to offset any costs by charging appropriate fees.

Private Sector Effect

The provisions in chapter Comm 67 are to establish minimum energy efficiency standards for rental units that must be met before the ownership of a rental unit is transferred. The intent of the rules is to ensure that rental units in Wisconsin are constructed and maintained as to promote efficient energy use. The proposed changes are primarily to rules relating to administration and enforcement procedures; however, there are changes that will require the insulation of ducts and pipes located in vented attic spaces. It is assumed that for such rental units, it may cost up to \$200 to provide the required insulation. The Department anticipates few rental units would be affected. The elimination of the fees for stipulations and waivers will be a cost savings to owners who would otherwise be required to file and pay a fee for either of these situations.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

None known

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