

ADMINISTRATIVE RULES

Fiscal Estimate & Economic Impact Analysis

1. Type of Estimate and Analysis <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Original <input type="checkbox"/> Updated <input type="checkbox"/> Corrected	2. Date 7/22/2025
3. Administrative Rule Chapter, Title and Number (and Clearinghouse Number if applicable) VA 8, County Veterans' Service Grants	
4. Subject County Veterans Service Officer (CVSO) Grants	
5. Fund Sources Affected <input type="checkbox"/> GPR <input type="checkbox"/> FED <input type="checkbox"/> PRO <input type="checkbox"/> PRS <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> SEG <input type="checkbox"/> SEG-S	6. Chapter 20, Stats. Appropriations Affected s. 20.485 (2)(vx)
7. Fiscal Effect of Implementing the Rule <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No Fiscal Effect <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Increase Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Costs <input type="checkbox"/> Indeterminate <input type="checkbox"/> Decrease Existing Revenues <input type="checkbox"/> Could Absorb Within Agency's Budget	
8. The Rule Will Impact the Following (Check All That Apply) <input type="checkbox"/> State's Economy <input type="checkbox"/> Specific Businesses/Sectors <input type="checkbox"/> Local Government Units <input type="checkbox"/> Public Utility Rate Payers <input type="checkbox"/> Small Businesses (if checked, complete Attachment A)	
9. Estimate of Implementation and Compliance to Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(1). \$0.00	
10. Would Implementation and Compliance Costs Businesses, Local Governmental Units and Individuals Be \$10 Million or more Over Any 2-year Period, per s. 227.137(3)(b)(2)? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	
11. Policy Problem Addressed by the Rule Eliminates burdensome requirements not found in Wis. Stat. ch. 45 and updates rule to reflect current administrative practices.	
12. Summary of the Businesses, Business Sectors, Associations Representing Business, Local Governmental Units, and Individuals that may be Affected by the Proposed Rule that were Contacted for Comments. The proposed rules do not have an anticipated effect on businesses or local governmental units.	
13. Identify the Local Governmental Units that Participated in the Development of this EIA. The Department will provide an opportunity for the public to submit comments on the economic impact. The proposed rule will be posted for 14 days to solicit input from stakeholders.	
14. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Specific Businesses, Business Sectors, Public Utility Rate Payers, Local Governmental Units and the State's Economy as a Whole (Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred) The rule will not have a material economic or fiscal impact on specific businesses, business sectors, public utility rate payers, local governmental units and the state's economy as a whole. There will be no costs for implementation and compliance.	
15. Benefits of Implementing the Rule and Alternative(s) to Implementing the Rule The benefit of implementing the rule is to bring the rule into conformance with current relevant statutes. The alternative is to do nothing. If the Department does not move forward with promulgating the proposed rules, the current rules will not conform to current state statutes, resulting in burdensome requirements and confusion in administering the grant.	
16. Long Range Implications of Implementing the Rule The long range implications of implementing the rule are to have the language in the rule conform with current statutes.	
17. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Federal Government N/A	

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18. Compare With Approaches Being Used by Neighboring States (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan and Minnesota)

Illinois: Illinois requires that a service officer, who was discharged under honorable conditions, be assigned to each field office. The Illinois Department of Veterans Affairs (IDVA) provides equally apportioned grants to qualifying veteran service organizations that maintain an office in the Veterans Affairs Regional Office in Chicago. Grants may not be used to replace or supplant services provided by IDVA employees.

Iowa: The Iowa Department of Veterans Affairs controls a County Commission of Veterans Affairs fund through the County Allocation Program. Iowa Code section 35A.16 provides for a standing appropriation of \$990,000 for the Program. Through the fund, the department annually allocates \$10,000, if funding is available, to each county commission or to each county sharing the services of an executive director or administrator. Funds must be used for the administration and maintenance of the County Commission of Veterans Affairs office. Moneys distributed to a county must be used to supplement and not supplant any existing funding provided by the county or received by the county from any other sources.

Michigan: The Michigan Veterans Affairs Agency is required to establish representative veteran county committees to administer allocated money on the local level, which may be combined with two or more counties. The agency must create and operate a County Veteran Service Fund grant program that provides grants to counties for allowable expenditures related to county veteran service operations. The agency must make grants from the fund to each county that enters into a grant agreement and meets certain conditions for the sole use of supporting allowable expenditures made by the county's veteran service operations. The total disbursement for each grant is determined by a base amount of \$50,000.00, or a percentage if the fund is insufficient to support the base amount.

Minnesota: Per Minnesota statute, every county is required to hire a county veterans service officer. The Commissioner of Veterans Affairs must administer grants to counties only to enhance the CVSO's operations. Each county is eligible to receive an annual grant of \$7,500 and an additional specified amount based on the county's veteran population. Additionally, the Minnesota Association of County Veterans Service Officers is eligible to receive an annual grant of \$100,000 to be used (in part) for the certification of mandated county veterans service officer training and accreditation.

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ATTACHMENT A

1. Summary of Rule's Economic and Fiscal Impact on Small Businesses (Separately for each Small Business Sector, Include Implementation and Compliance Costs Expected to be Incurred)

2. Summary of the data sources used to measure the Rule's impact on Small Businesses

3. Did the agency consider the following methods to reduce the impact of the Rule on Small Businesses?

- ☐ Less Stringent Compliance or Reporting Requirements
☐ Less Stringent Schedules or Deadlines for Compliance or Reporting
☐ Consolidation or Simplification of Reporting Requirements
☐ Establishment of performance standards in lieu of Design or Operational Standards
☐ Exemption of Small Businesses from some or all requirements
☐ Other, describe:

4. Describe the methods incorporated into the Rule that will reduce its impact on Small Businesses

5. Describe the Rule's Enforcement Provisions

6. Did the Agency prepare a Cost Benefit Analysis (if Yes, attach to form)

☐ Yes ☐ No
