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## Federal Grant Levels Reestimate (DATCP -- Departmentwide and Resource Management)

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### CURRENT LAW

DATCP maintains several continuing appropriations to receive and expend federal funding. These appropriations are estimated to reflect the amount of federal funding received.

### GOVERNOR

Provide increased spending authority of \$704,400 FED and \$240,000 PR annually to reflect expected federal grant levels in the biennium. The increased spending authority is meant to reflect expected federal grant levels in the biennium and includes annual FED of \$268,300 for food inspections and trade regulations, \$36,100 for marketing agricultural services and \$400,000 for plant industry services provided by the Department. In addition, the requested increase in spending authority of \$240,000 PR annually is based on expected federal Environmental Protection Agency funding received through a Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources contract with DATCP.

### MODIFICATION

1. Reestimate overall federal funding by deleting \$220,500 annually from the bill (an increase of \$483,900 FED annually over the base).

<b>Modification</b>	<b>FED</b>	<b>PR</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>
<b>2001-03 FUNDING</b> (Change to Base)	\$967,800	\$480,000	\$1,447,800
<i>[Change to Bill]</i>	<i>- \$441,000</i>	<i>\$0</i>	<i>- 441,000]</i>

**Explanation:** While the bill reestimates accounts where federal funding is expected to be higher, it does not reduce accounts where federal funding has been, and is expected to be, lower in the biennium. DATCP estimates federal funding needed and received directly from the Environmental Protection Agency for pesticide related activities (mainly salaries and associated costs of 6.5 positions) at \$715,000 each year. However, under the bill, the account is estimated at \$935,500, or a difference of \$220,500 annually.

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