



State of Wisconsin
2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Hutter, BB0460 - Farmland preservation grants

FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

AGRICULTURE

Farmland preservation implementation grants

The bill authorizes DATCP to award grants to counties to implement a certified county farmland preservation plan.

For further information see the state and local fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 20.115 (7) (tm) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.115 (7) (tm) *Farmland preservation planning grants, working lands fund.*

From the working lands fund, the amounts in the schedule for farmland preservation planning grants under s. 91.10 (6) and for farmland preservation implementation grants under s. 91.10 (7).

SECTION 2. 91.10 (title) of the statutes is amended to read:

91.10 (title) **County plan required; planning and implementation grants.**

SECTION 3. 91.10 (7) of the statutes is created to read:

91.10 (7) (a) From the appropriation under s. 20.115 (7) (tm), the department

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may award implementation grants to counties for implementing a county's certified farmland preservation plan.

(b) The department shall enter into a contract with a county to which it awards an implementation grant under par. (a) before the department distributes any grant funds to the county. In the contract, the department shall identify the costs that are eligible for reimbursement through the grant.

(c) The department may distribute grant funds under this subsection only after the county shows that it has incurred costs that are eligible for reimbursement under par. (b).

(END)