



State of Wisconsin
2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

LRB-1905/P2

MCP:cdc

DOA:.....Hutter, BB0513 - Producer-led watershed protection grants statutory cap

FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

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

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

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Appropriation limit for the producer-led watershed protection grant program

DATCP administers the producer-led watershed protection grant program, which provides grants to groups of farmers in the same watershed to implement nonpoint source pollution abatement activities. Under current law, DATCP may not allocate more than \$1,000,000 per fiscal year for this program. The bill increases that maximum amount to \$1,250,000.

For further information see the state 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) (qf) of the statutes is amended to read:

20.115 (7) (qf) *Soil and water management; aids.* From the environmental fund, the amounts in the schedule for cost-sharing grants and contracts under the soil and water resource management program under s. 92.14, but not for the support of local land conservation personnel, and for producer-led watershed protection grants under s. 93.59. Prior to fiscal year 2021-22, the department shall allocate funds, in an amount that does not exceed \$750,000 in each fiscal year, for the producer-led watershed protection grants. ~~Beginning in~~ In fiscal year ~~years~~ 2021-22 ~~to 2024-25~~, the department shall allocate funds, in an amount that does

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not exceed \$1,000,000 in each fiscal year, for the producer-led watershed protection grants. Beginning in fiscal year 2025-26, the department shall allocate funds, in an amount that does not exceed \$1,250,000 in each fiscal year, for the producer-led watershed protection grants.

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