



State of Wisconsin
2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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2023 SENATE BILL 721

November 21, 2023 - Introduced by Senators SMITH, PFAFF, L. JOHNSON, ROYS, TAYLOR, CARPENTER, SPREITZER and LARSON, cosponsored by Representatives HONG, C. ANDERSON, PALMERI, JACOBSON, SHELTON, EMERSON, CONLEY, SINICKI, CONSIDINE, SNODGRASS, RATCLIFF, JOERS, SHANKLAND, ANDRACA, ORTIZ-VELEZ, OHNSTAD, J. ANDERSON, DRAKE, MOORE OMOKUNDE, BARE, MADISON, CLANCY and SUBECK. Referred to Committee on Agriculture and Tourism.

AN ACT *to create* 20.115 (3) (e) and 93.53 of the statutes; **relating to:** food waste reduction grants, granting rule-making authority, and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

The bill requires the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to provide grants for food waste reduction pilot projects that have an objective of preventing food waste, redirecting surplus food to hunger relief organizations, and composting food waste. Under the bill, DATCP must give preference to grant proposals that serve census tracts for which the median household income is below the statewide median household income and in which no grocery store is located.

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:

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SECTION 1

SECTION 1. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

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**20.115 Agriculture, trade and consumer
protection, department of**

(3) AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT SERVICES

(e)	Food waste reduction grants	GPR	A	100,000	100,000
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SECTION 2. 20.115 (3) (e) of the statutes is created to read:

20.115 **(3) (e) Food waste reduction grants.** The amounts in the schedule for providing food waste reduction grants under s. 93.53.

SECTION 3. 93.53 of the statutes is created to read:

93.53 Food waste reduction grants. (1) The department shall provide grants for food waste reduction pilot projects that have an objective of preventing food waste, redirecting surplus food to hunger relief organizations, and composting food waste. In awarding grants under this section, the department shall give preference to proposals that serve census tracts for which the median household income is below the statewide median household income and in which no grocery store is located.

(2) The department shall promulgate rules for the administration of this section.

(END)