



## 2019 ASSEMBLY BILL 798

January 24, 2020 - Introduced by Representatives SUMMERFIELD, BROOKS, BALLWEG, DITTRICH, EDMING, FELZKOWSKI, GUNDRUM, HORLACHER, KATSMAN, KITCHENS, KNODL, KRUG, KULP, KURTZ, MURSAU, NOVAK, OLDENBURG, PETRYK, PLUMER, QUINN, RAMTHUN, SKOWRONSKI, SORTWELL, SWEARINGEN, TRANEL, ZIMMERMAN, THIESFELDT and BORN, cosponsored by Senator BERNIER. Referred to Committee on Environment.

1     **AN ACT** *to create* 20.370 (4) (na) of the statutes; **relating to:** biomanipulation  
2             projects to improve the water quality of lakes and impoundments and making  
3             an appropriation.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

This bill requires the Department of Natural Resources to provide grants to local water improvement groups to conduct projects using biomanipulation to improve the water quality of lakes and impoundments and appropriates \$150,000 to DNR for that purpose.

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

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

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

	2019-20	2020-21
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**ASSEMBLY BILL 798****SECTION 1****1 20.370 Natural resources, department of****2 (4) ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT****3 (na) Lake biomanipulation projects GPR B 150,000 -0-****4 SECTION 2.** 20.370 (4) (na) of the statutes is created to read:

**5 20.370 (4) (na)** *Lake biomanipulation projects.* Biennially, from the general  
**6 fund, the amounts in the schedule for grants under 2019 Wisconsin Act ... (this act),**  
**7 section 3 (1).**

**8 SECTION 3. Nonstatutory provisions.**

**9 (1)** In the 2019-21 fiscal biennium, from the appropriation under s. 20.370 (4)  
**10 (na), the department of natural resources shall provide grants to local water**  
**11 improvement groups, selected through a competitive application process determined**  
**12 by the department, to conduct projects using biomanipulation, which shall include**  
**13 comprehensive fish studies, the removal of zooplanktivorous and benthivorous fish,**  
**14 and the introduction of piscivorous fish, to improve the water quality of lakes and**  
**15 impoundments identified on the impaired waters list prepared by the department as**  
**16 required under 40 CFR 130.7 (b). Grants under this subsection may cover 90 percent**  
**17 of the costs of biomanipulation projects.**

**18 (END)**