



1999 ASSEMBLY BILL 117

February 9, 1999 - Introduced by Representatives ALBERS and SCHNEIDER.
Referred to Committee on Information Policy.

1 **AN ACT relating to:** funding and positions for consumer protection activities
2 relating to the year 2000 readiness of electronic computing devices and making
3 an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill increases the appropriation to the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection (DATCP) for general program operations related to food safety and consumer protection. The bill authorizes DATCP to increase a position, and provides funding for that position and for other costs associated with administering and enforcing consumer protection activities relating to the year 2000 readiness of electronic computing devices.

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:

4 **SECTION 1. Appropriation changes.**

5 (1) YEAR 2000 CONSUMER PROTECTION — FISCAL YEAR 1998-99. In the schedule under
6 section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of

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1 agriculture, trade and consumer protection under section 20.115 (1) (a) of the
2 statutes, as affected by the acts of 1997, the dollar amount is increased by \$58,419
3 for fiscal year 1998-99 to increase the authorized FTE positions for the department
4 by 1.0 GPR project position for the period ending June 30, 2001, to fund LTE positions
5 and to purchase necessary materials, supplies and equipment, all for the purpose of
6 administering and enforcing consumer protection activities relating to the year 2000
7 readiness of electronic computing devices.

8 (2) YEAR 2000 CONSUMER PROTECTION — FISCAL YEARS 1999-00 AND 2000-01. In the
9 schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the
10 department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under section 20.115 (1)
11 (a) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 1999, the dollar amount is increased by
12 \$134,931 for fiscal year 1999-00 and the dollar amount is increased by \$41,588 for
13 fiscal year 2000-01 to fund LTE positions in fiscal year 1999-00 and to purchase
14 necessary materials, supplies and equipment for fiscal years 1999-00 and 2000-01,
15 for the purpose of administering and enforcing consumer protection activities
16 relating to the year 2000 readiness of electronic computing devices.

17 **SECTION 2. Effective dates.** This act takes effect on the day after publication,
18 except as follows:

19 (1) The treatment of SECTION 1 (2) of this act takes effect on the day after
20 publication of the 2001-03 biennial budget act.

21 (END)