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Description Control of the Division of Education (1)						
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill creates 20 county-based agriculture positions in the Division of Extension of UW-Madison and provide \$500,000 in fiscal year 2019-20 and \$2,000,000 in fiscal year 2020-21 to fund the positions. The positions are for local experts in agriculture who provide free research and technical assistance to Wisconsin farmers on agricultural practices and business management and planning.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications

The funding for the 20 positions would be used to fund 17 county-based outreach specialists located across Wisconsin and three statewide outreach positions. These positions work directly with farmers, agribusiness, and trade associations to address priorities identified by county governments, constituents, and elected officials.

The 17 county-based positions would address priorities such as dairy, water, cranberries, potato and vegetables, farm management, opioid abuse and forest economic development issues in northern rural communities.

The three statewide outreach positions would work locally to address priorities around beef, swine, and forage issues.