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Fund Sources Affected Affected Ch. 20 Appropriations GPR PRO PRO SEG SEGS 20.115(3)(a), 20.115(4)(f)				
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Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate

This bill creates a biennial appropriation for the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) to make farmer tuition assistance grants to those farmers that qualify under statute s. 93.51(2)(b). Current law authorizes DATCP to make grants to low-income farmers for paying all or part of the tuition for courses on farm and business management techniques offered by a technical college but funding for the grant program was eliminated in the early 2000s. This bill will restore funding for the grant program.

DATCP will incur costs to revitalize the program and then ongoing costs associated with administering the grant program. DATCP is not able to estimate one time and ongoing costs because we are not able to estimate the number of farmers who would apply, qualify and receive payments from the new appropriation but anticipate the costs will be minimal.

Long-Range Fiscal Implications