



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2019 Senate Bill 31

**Senate
Amendment 1**

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2019 SENATE BILL 31

Under **current law**, concentrated animal feeding operations (CAFOs) currently pay an annual fee of \$345 for their Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES) permits. Of that amount, \$95 is deposited into an account used for the Department of Natural Resources' (DNR) environmental quality functions, and the remainder is deposited in the state's general fund.

2019 Senate Bill 31 directs the full amount of that \$345 fee to be deposited in the account for DNR's environmental quality functions.

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Senate Amendment 1 clarifies that, in addition to other environmental quality and water resources management functions, funds in that DNR appropriation account may be used to review CAFOs' permit applications.

BILL HISTORY

Senator Cowles offered Senate Amendment 1 on May 23, 2019. On May 30, 2019, the Senate Committee on Natural Resources recommended the adoption of the amendment and passage of the bill, as amended, both with votes of Ayes, 5; Noes, 0.

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