



State of Wisconsin
2019 - 2020 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Hutter, BB0276 - Farm to school program

FOR 2019-2021 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

AGRICULTURE

1. Prefer farm to school grants to districts with high free or reduced-price lunch eligibility

This bill requires that in awarding grants under the farm to school program, DATCP must give preference to school districts that have a high percentage of students that are eligible for free or reduced-price lunches under federal law. Current law requires DATCP to promote farm to school programs, which connect schools with nearby farms to provide children with locally produced foods in school meals.

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

SECTION 1. 93.49 (3) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 93.49 (3) (a) (intro.) and amended to read:

93.49 (3) (a) (intro.) From the appropriation under s. 20.115 (4) (as), the department shall provide grants to school districts, in coordination with the

department of public instruction, and to nonprofit organizations, farmers, and any other entities for the creation and expansion of farm to school programs. The department shall give preference to the following types of proposals:

2. Proposals that are innovative or that provide models that other school districts can adopt.

SECTION 2. 93.49 (3) (a) 1. of the statutes is created to read:

93.49 (3) (a) 1. Proposals from school districts in which a high percentage of pupils satisfy the income eligibility criteria under [42 USC 1758](#) (b) (1) for a free or reduced-price lunch.

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