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ASSEMBLY BILL 5

February 7, 2020 - Introduced by COMMITTEE ON ASSEMBLY ORGANIZATION, by request of Governor Tony Evers. Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

1 **AN ACT** to renumber and amend 93.49 (3) (a); and to create 93.49 (3) (a) 1. of

the statutes; **relating to:** farm to school grants and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires that in awarding grants under the farm to school program, the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection 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.

For further information see the *state and local* 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:

- 3 **SECTION 1.** 93.49 (3) (a) of the statutes is renumbered 93.49 (3) (a) (intro.) and 4 amended to read:
- 5 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

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- 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.

SECTION 3. Fiscal changes.

(1) Farm to school grants. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under s. 20.115 (4) (as), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2019–20 is increased by \$200,000 for the purpose for which the appropriation is made. In the schedule under s. 20.005 (3) for the appropriation to the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under s. 20.115 (4) (as), the dollar amount for fiscal year 2020–21 is increased by \$200,000 for the purpose for which the appropriation is made.

19 (END)