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2019 SENATE BILL 684

January 16, 2020 - Introduced by Senators Jacque, Olsen, Ringhand, Kooyenga and Kapenga, cosponsored by Representatives Tranel, Tauchen, Plumer, Kulp, Quinn, Gundrum, VanderMeer, Felzkowski, Oldenburg, Petryk, Edming, Mursau and Skowronski. Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Revenue and Financial Institutions.

- AN ACT to renumber and amend 98.146 (2); and to amend 98.146 (1) and
- 98.146 (3) of the statutes; **relating to:** reciprocity for bulk milk weighing and sampling licenses.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill allows a person who is licensed by an agricultural agency of another state to take weights and samples of milk in bulk tanks. Current law generally requires a person to hold a license granted by the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to take weights and samples of milk held in a bulk tank on the farm where the milk is produced.

For further information see the *state* 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:

- **SECTION 1.** 98.146 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:
- 98.146 (1) All persons except licensed cheesemakers and buttermakers taking weights and samples of milk in bulk tanks or measuring milk in bulk tanks to determine weight, on the farm premises where such milk is produced, shall be

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licensed by the department under this section <u>or by an equivalent regulatory agency</u> in another state, and no person who is not so licensed shall engage in such activities.

SECTION 2. 98.146 (2) of the statutes is renumbered 98.146 (2) (a) and amended to read:

98.146 (2) (a) Each application for a license under this section or license renewal shall be made on forms provided by the department and shall be accompanied by the license fee required under sub. (4), except that an individual who is eligible for the veterans fee waiver program under s. 45.44 is not required to pay the fee. The license shall expire biennially on September 30 of the 2nd year commencing after the date of issuance or renewal. The applicant shall not have an arrest or conviction record, subject to ss. 111.321, 111.322 and 111.335, and shall give proof of ability to engage in such weighing and sampling to the satisfaction of the department by satisfactorily passing a written examination pertaining to such activities.

(b) If the department conducts a reinspection of any measurement by a person licensed under this subsection authorized to take weights and samples or to measure under sub. (1) due to any violation of any federal or state law which the department determines in a regularly scheduled inspection of that measurement, the department shall charge the holder of that license person the reinspection fee required under sub. (4) for that reinspection.

Section 3. 98.146 (3) of the statutes is amended to read:

98.146 (3) No dairy plant shall receive any milk required to be weighed and sampled by a licensee under this section person authorized to take weights and samples under sub. (1) unless it has been so weighed and sampled.