



## 2013 ASSEMBLY BILL 305

August 23, 2013 – Introduced by Representatives SMITH, WRIGHT, DANOU, GOYKE, BERNARD SCHABER, SHANKLAND, SINICKI, BERCEAU, WACHS, CLARK, JORGENSEN, OHNSTAD, HEBL and MILROY. Referred to Joint Committee on Finance.

1     **AN ACT** *to create* 20.115 (4) (s) and 93.60 of the statutes; **relating to:** grazing  
2           lands conservation grants and making an appropriation.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

The 2013–15 biennial budget act, 2013 Wisconsin Act 20, eliminated statutory authority for the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to award grants for technical education and research under the Wisconsin Grazing Lands Conservation Initiative. The purpose of the initiative is to maintain and improve the management and productivity of grazing lands.

This bill restores statutory authority for grants for technical education and research under the Wisconsin Grazing Lands Conservation Initiative and provides funding for the grants.

For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

3           **SECTION 1.** 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert  
4           the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

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**20.115 Agriculture, trade and consumer protection, department of**

(4) AGRICULTURAL ASSISTANCE

(s) Grazing lands conservation      SEG      A      375,000      375,000

**SECTION 2.** 20.115 (4) (s) of the statutes is created to read:

20.115 (4) (s) *Grazing lands conservation.* From the agrichemical management fund, the amounts in the schedule for grants for the Wisconsin grazing lands conservation initiative under s. 93.60.

**SECTION 3.** 93.60 of the statutes is created to read:

**93.60 Grazing lands conservation grant.** The department shall award a grant in each fiscal year, from the appropriation account under s. 20.115 (4) (s), for technical education and research under the Wisconsin grazing lands conservation initiative.

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