



2013 SENATE BILL 602

February 13, 2014 – Introduced by Senator COWLES, cosponsored by Representative NERISON. Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Small Business, and Tourism.

1 **AN ACT to amend** 97.20 (2g) (a) (intro.); and **to repeal and recreate** 97.20 (2g)
2 (b) of the statutes; **relating to:** milk procurement fees.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law requires operators of dairy plants to pay to the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) monthly milk procurement fees based on the amount of milk they receive from dairy farmers. Under current law, the fees are due by the 18th of each month. This bill changes the due date for milk procurement fees to the 25th of each month.

Currently the statutes specify amounts of milk procurement fees, which apply unless DATCP specifies different amounts by rule. DATCP's current rules specify amounts for the fees that differ from those in the statutes. This bill eliminates the statutory language specifying the amounts of milk procurement fees.

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

3 **SECTION 1.** 97.20 (2g) (a) (intro.) of the statutes is amended to read:
4 97.20 (2g) (a) *Monthly procurement fee.* (intro.) A dairy plant operator shall
5 pay a milk procurement fee on or before the 18th 25th day of each month in the
6 amount specified under par. (b) as follows:

