



2019 SENATE BILL 887

March 12, 2020 - Introduced by Senators SMITH, JOHNSON, BEWLEY and LARSON, cosponsored by Representatives ANDERSON, CROWLEY, STUBBS, SARGENT, BROSTOFF, EMERSON, HEBL, NEUBAUER, CABRERA, SPREITZER, POPE, CONSIDINE, SINICKI and BOWEN. Referred to Committee on Utilities and Housing.

1 **AN ACT** *to create* 704.07 (6) of the statutes; **relating to:** rent abatement for
2 tenants and requiring the exercise of rule-making authority.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, generally, if a leased property is damaged or has a condition that is hazardous to the health or safety of the tenant, the tenant is entitled to abate rent to the extent that the tenant is deprived of the full normal use of the leased property. This bill requires the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to promulgate rules that specify items for which a tenant may be entitled to rent abatement and the amount of abatement a tenant would be entitled to for each item.

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:

3 **SECTION 1.** 704.07 (6) of the statutes is created to read:

