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## 2023 SENATE BILL 319

June 7, 2023 - Introduced by Senators STAFSHOLT, BALLWEG, QUINN, STROEBEL and TOMCZYK, cosponsored by Representatives MAGNAFICI, BEHNKE, BODDEN, BROOKS, PENTERMAN, PLUMER, ROZAR and TITTL. Referred to Committee on Agriculture and Tourism.

1     **AN ACT to amend** 97.67 (1); and **to create** 97.67 (1k) of the statutes; **relating**  
2     **to:** exempting certain farm owners from campground licensing.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Under current law, the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection must issue licenses to and regulate campgrounds, and a person may not manage or operate a campground without such a license. Under this bill, a person may operate a campground without a campground license if the campground is located on the person's farm, the person's farm has no more than one campground, and the campground has three or fewer campsites.

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

3     **SECTION 1.** 97.67 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:  
4     97.67 (1) Except as provided in ~~sub.~~ subs. (1g) and (1k) and s. 93.135, the  
5     department or a local health department granted agent status under s. 97.615 (2)  
6     shall issue licenses to and regulate campgrounds and camping resorts, recreational  
7     and educational camps and public swimming pools. ~~No~~ Except as provided in sub.

**SENATE BILL 319****SECTION 1**

1 (1k), no person or state or local government who has not been issued a license under  
2 this section may conduct, maintain, manage or operate a campground and camping  
3 resort, recreational camp and educational camp or public swimming pool, as defined  
4 by departmental rule.

5 **SECTION 2.** 97.67 (1k) of the statutes is created to read:

6 97.67 **(1k)** (a) For the purpose of this subsection, “farm” means all land under  
7 common ownership that is primarily devoted to agricultural production, harvesting,  
8 or husbandry.

9 (b) A person may operate a campground without a campground license if the  
10 campground is located on the person’s farm, the person’s farm has no more than one  
11 campground, and the campground has 3 or fewer campsites.

12 (END)