2023 SENATE BILL 713

November 21, 2023 – Introduced by Senators PFAFF, SPREITZER, TAYLOR, CARPENTER, ROYS, SMITH, LARSON and HESSELBEIN, cosponsored by Representatives CONSIDINE, JACOBSON, EMERSON, SNODGRASS, RATCLIFF, JOERS, SHANKLAND, CONLEY, ANDRACA, C. ANDERSON, OHNSTAD, SHELTON, J. ANDERSON, STUBBS, DRAKE, BARE, CLANCY and SUBECK. Referred to Committee on Agriculture and Tourism.

1   AN ACT *to create* 20.115 (4) (av) and 93.60 of the statutes; **relating to:** creating

2   a food security grant program and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill allows the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to provide grants to food banks, food pantries, and other nonprofit organizations to purchase Wisconsin food products. The bill creates a new biennial appropriation of $15,000,000 to DATCP for this purpose.

For further information see the state and local 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.** 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert

4   the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

2023-24   **2024-25**

1   **20.115   Agriculture, trade and consumer**

2   **protection, department of**

3   (4)   AGRICULTURAL ASSISTANCE

4   (av)   Food security grants   GPR   B   7,500,000   7,500,000

5   SECTION 2. 20.115 (4) (av) of the statutes is created to read:

6   20.115 **(4)** (av) *Food security grants.* Biennially, the amounts in the schedule

7   for food security grants under s. 93.60.

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

9   **93.60 Food security grant program.** The department may award grants

10   from the appropriation under s. 20.115 (4) (av) to nonprofit food banks, nonprofit food

11   pantries, and other nonprofit organizations that provide food assistance for the

12   purpose of purchasing food products that are made or grown in this state.

13   **(END)**