

**ASSEMBLY AMENDMENT 120,  
TO ASSEMBLY SUBSTITUTE AMENDMENT 1,  
TO 2001 SENATE BILL 55**

June 29, 2001 – Offered by Representatives GRONEMUS and SERATTI.

1 At the locations indicated, amend the substitute amendment as follows:

2 **1.** Page 889, line 1: after that line insert:

3 “**SECTION 2407m.** 100.185 of the statutes is created to read:

4 **100.185 Documentation of agricultural credit transactions. (1)**

5 DEFINITIONS. In this section:

6 (a) “Credit transaction” means a transaction under which real or personal  
7 property, services, or money is acquired by a person, on credit, and under which the  
8 person is required to pay a charge for the credit or is required to pay his or her  
9 obligation in installments.

10 (b) “Agricultural purpose” means a purpose related to the production, harvest,  
11 exhibition, marketing, transportation, processing, or manufacture of farm products  
12 by a person that cultivates, plants, propagates, or nurtures those farm products.

1 (c) “Credit” means the right to defer payment of debt, to incur debt and defer  
2 its payment, or to purchase goods, services, or interests in land on a time price basis.

3 (d) “Farm creditor” means a person that extends credit to another person that  
4 obtains the credit primarily for an agricultural purpose.

5 (e) “Farm product” means an agricultural, horticultural, viticultural, dairy, or  
6 forest product; livestock; wildlife; poultry; bees; fish; shellfish; a product raised or  
7 produced on a farm; and any processed or manufactured product that is derived from  
8 any of these items.

9 **(2)** DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED. A farm creditor shall ensure that each document  
10 that is signed by a person and that evidences the person’s obligation to pay under a  
11 credit transaction in an amount of \$20,000 or more that the person enters into  
12 primarily for an agricultural purpose is executed in duplicate original copies. The  
13 duplicate original copies shall consist of a signed copy and an identical copy  
14 containing the impression of all signatures on the signed copy. Except as provided  
15 under sub. (3), the identical copy shall be a noncarbon reproduction of the signed  
16 copy, produced by the transfer of images in substantially the same manner as is used  
17 to make a carbon copy, or shall be a carbon copy. The farm creditor shall provide the  
18 person that receives the credit with one of the duplicate original copies.

19 **(3)** RULES. The department may, by rule, authorize the production of duplicate  
20 original copies as required under sub. (2) by any method that is at least as effective  
21 at preventing fraud as the methods specified under sub. (2).”.

22 **2.** Page 1397, line 25: after that line insert:

