



2007 ASSEMBLY BILL 701

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1 **AN ACT relating to:** a report on food safety programs.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) regulates retail food establishments, such as grocery stores, and the department of health and family services (DHFS), which is renamed the Department of Health Services on July 1, 2008, regulates restaurants.

This bill requires DATCP and DHFS to prepare a plan to consolidate their food safety programs into one food safety program.

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:

2 **SECTION 1. Nonstatutory provisions.**

3 (1) REPORT ON FOOD SAFETY PROGRAMS. The department of agriculture, trade and
4 consumer protection and the department of health and family services (called the
5 department of health services beginning on July 1, 2008), jointly, shall prepare a plan
6 to consolidate their food safety programs into one food safety program. The

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1 departments shall submit a report on the plan, including a description of the
2 efficiencies and the amount of savings that would result from the plan, to the
3 members of the senate and assembly no later than the first day of the 13th month
4 beginning after the effective date of this subsection.

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