AN ACT relating to: grants for farm to school programs and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law authorizes the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to make grants for programs to connect schools with nearby farms to provide children with locally produced foods, provide nutritional and agricultural education, and improve farmers’ incomes. The 2013–15 budget act, 2013 Wisconsin Act 20, did not provide funding for these farm to school grants. This bill provides funding for farm to school grants in the 2013–15 fiscal biennium.

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:

SECTION 1. Fiscal changes.

(1) FARM TO SCHOOL GRANTS. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under section 20.115 (4) (as) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2013,
the dollar amount is increased by $125,000 for the first fiscal year of the fiscal biennium in which this subsection takes effect to provide grants for farm to school programs. In the schedule under section 20.005 (3) of the statutes for the appropriation to the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection under section 20.115 (4) (as) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 2013, the dollar amount is increased by $125,000 for the second fiscal year of the fiscal biennium in which this subsection takes effect to provide grants for farm to school programs.