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 fiscal years 2015–16 and 2016–17.

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 2015,
the dollar amount for fiscal year 2015–16 is increased by $125,000 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 2015,
the dollar amount for fiscal year 2016–17 is increased by $125,000 to provide grants
for farm to school programs.

**SECTION 2. Effective date.**

(1) This act takes effect on the day after publication, or on the 2nd day after
publication of the 2015–17 biennial budget act, whichever is later.

(END)