



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2017 Senate Bill 23

Senate Amendment 1

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2017 SENATE BILL 23

Senate Bill 23 requires a person to plant only certified seed potatoes if the person plants five or more acres of potatoes in this state in a year. The bill allows the Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection (DATCP) to waive this requirement for a particular growing season if there are not enough certified seed potatoes reasonably available to growers and DATCP determines that the seed potatoes that will be used for planting do not pose a serious disease threat.

SENATE AMENDMENT 1

Senate Amendment 1 specifies that DATCP may waive the certified seed potato requirement for specific varieties and genomes of potatoes.

BILL HISTORY

Senate Amendment 1 was offered by Senator Petrowski on March 28, 2017. On April 1, 2017, the Senate Committee on Agriculture, Small Business and Tourism recommended adoption of the amendment and passage of the bill, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 9; Noes, 0.

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