



State of Wisconsin
2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

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DOA:.....Richter, BB0555 - CAFO fee increase

FOR 2025-2027 BUDGET -- NOT READY FOR INTRODUCTION

AN ACT ...; relating to: the budget.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

ENVIRONMENT

WATER QUALITY

CAFO fee increase

Under current law, a person who operates a concentrated animal feeding operation (CAFO) must have a Wisconsin Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (WPDES) permit from DNR. A CAFO is a livestock operation that contains at least 1,000 animal units, that discharges pollutants to a navigable water, or that contaminates a well. Current law requires a CAFO operator with a WPDES permit to pay an annual fee of \$345 to DNR. The bill increases the amount of this annual fee to \$545.

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:

SECTION 1. 283.31 (8) of the statutes is amended to read:

283.31 (8) The holder of a permit under this section for a concentrated animal feeding operation shall annually pay to the department a fee of ~~\$345~~ \$545, which shall be credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.370 (9) (ag). The department shall annually submit a report to the joint committee on finance and, under s. 13.172 (3), to the standing committees of the legislature with jurisdiction over agricultural and environmental matters describing the use of the moneys

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credited to the appropriation account under s. 20.370 (9) (ag) under this subsection and the use of the moneys appropriated under s. 20.370 (9) (ap).

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