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June 10, 1997 – Introduced by Senators Breske, Clausing, Grobschmidt, Jauch, Moen and Rude, cosponsored by Representatives Musser, Bock, Kreibich, F. Lasee, Powers, Boyle and Zukowski. Referred to Committee on Agriculture and Environmental Resources.

AN ACT **relating to:** a study of the aquaculture industry and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

This bill requires the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection to conduct a study of the aquaculture industry in this state.

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. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) AQUACULTURE STUDY. The department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection shall conduct a study of the aquaculture industry in this state and, no later than January 1, 1999, shall submit a report on the results of the study to the legislature in the manner provided under section 13.172 (2) of the statutes. The report shall include information concerning all of the following:

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- (a) The growth of the aquaculture industry since 1994.
- 2 (b) The demand for aquaculture products.
 - (c) The processing of aquacultural products.
 - (d) Investment activities in aquaculture.
 - (e) Marketing opportunities for aquacultural products.

Section 2. Appropriation changes.

(1) AQUACULTURE. 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 (3) (a) of the statutes, as affected by the acts of 1997, the dollar amount is increased by \$50,000 for fiscal year 1997–98 and the dollar amount is increased by \$20,000 for fiscal year 1998–99 to provide funding for a study of the aquaculture industry and limited term personnel for activities related to aquaculture.

14 (END)