State of Misconsin 2023 - 2024 LEGISLATURE

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2023 SENATE BILL 726

November 21, 2023 - Introduced by Senators Roys, L. Johnson, Spreitzer and Taylor, cosponsored by Representatives J. Anderson, Hong, Moore Omokunde, C. Anderson, Clancy, Jacobson, Joers, Madison, Palmeri, Ratcliff, Baldeh, Cabrera, Conley, Drake, Emerson, Ohnstad, Shelton, Sinicki, Snodgrass and Stubbs. Referred to Committee on Housing, Rural Issues and Forestry.

- 1 AN ACT to create 704.07 (6) of the statutes; relating to: rent abatement for
- 2 tenants and granting rule-making authority.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, generally, if a leased property is damaged or has a condition that is hazardous to the health or safety of the tenant, the tenant is entitled to abate rent to the extent that the tenant is deprived of the full normal use of the leased property. This bill requires the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection to promulgate rules that specify items for which a tenant may be entitled to rent abatement and the amount of abatement a tenant would be entitled to for each item.

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. 704.07 (6) of the statutes is created to read:

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rent abatement under sub. (4) and the amount of rent abatement for each item.
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704.07 (6) RULES. The department of agriculture, trade and consumer