AGRICULTURE, TRADE AND CONSUMER PROTECTION

Omnibus Motion [LFB Papers #155, and #160 thru #173]

Motion:

Move to adopt the following provisions:

Departmentwide

- 1. Bureau of Laboratory Services Staffing (Paper #155). Provide 1.0 PR position and \$90,200 PR, \$33,800 SEG, \$7,500 GPR, and \$7,500 FED in 2021-22, and \$113,300 PR, \$42,600 SEG, \$9,400 GPR, and \$9,400 FED in 2022-23 to the Bureau of Laboratory Services to support increased staffing needs.
- 2. Computer System Equipment, Staff and Services (Page 54, #3). Provide \$300,000 PR in 2021-22 and \$350,000 PR in 2022-23 for additional expenditures for information technology services throughout the Department.
- 3. Position Realignment (Page 54, #6). Transfer positions and associated salary and fringe benefit costs between appropriations to align the funding sources of the positions with their current duties within the Department. The net effect of transfers provides \$11,700 PR with 0.10 PR position, \$600 nonpoint SEG, and -\$5,500 FED with -0.10 FED position each year.
- 4. *Program Revenue Reestimates (Page 55, #7).* Reestimate program revenue appropriations associated with fruit and vegetable inspection by -\$50,000 PR each year, agricultural resource management services by -\$17,100 PR each year, and agricultural impact statements by -\$23,000 PR each year, for a total of -\$90,100 PR each year of the biennium.
- 5. Federal Revenue Reestimates (Page 55, #8). Reestimate appropriations receiving federal revenue associated with the Client Assistance Program by -\$68,800 FED each year, and the Bureau of Agrichemical Management by -\$40,000 FED each year, for a total of -\$108,800 FED each year of the biennium.

Agricultural Assistance

6. Meat Processor Grants (Paper #161). Create a biennial appropriation for meat processor grants to facilities that slaughter animals for human consumption, or that process meat or meat products, excluding rendering plants. Provide \$200,000 GPR each year in the Committee's supplemental appropriation, and direct the Department to submit a proposal to the Committee

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describing plans for implementing the grant program.

- 7. Dairy Promotion and Processor Grants (Paper #162). Repeal the dairy promotion appropriation and delete the associated \$200,000 GPR each year for dairy promotion. Provide \$200,000 GPR each year for dairy processor grants on a one-time basis during the 2021-23 biennium. Under the motion, dairy processor grants total \$400,000 GPR each year, consisting of \$200,000 each year in base funding and \$200,000 in one-time funding during the 2021-23 biennium.
- 8. Wisconsin Initiative for Agricultural Exports (Paper #166). Create a continuing appropriation for promotion of agricultural exports and allocate \$558,400 GPR each year in the Committee's supplemental appropriation. Further, modify the Department's rural development loan appropriation to allow DATCP, with approval from the Joint Committee on Finance, to expend the rural development appropriation balance for promotion of dairy exports. Direct DATCP, in coordination with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation, to submit a proposal to the Committee for allocation of \$5,000,000 over five years to pursue an increase in dairy, meat, poultry, fish, crop, and other agricultural product exports by 25% over their 2021 level by 2026.
- 9. Farmer Mental Health Assistance (Paper #168). Provide \$100,000 GPR each year on a one-time basis during the 2021-23 biennium to DATCP for farmer mental health assistance activities. Further, require DATCP to expend federal funding provided under the federal Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2021 for farmer mental health assistance activities before using GPR.

Regulatory Programs

- 10. Meat Inspection Program (Paper #170). Provide \$118,400 GPR and \$118,400 FED in 2021-22, and \$143,900 GPR and \$143,900 FED in 2022-23 with 2.0 GPR and 2.0 FED positions for meat inspection staff. Specify that positions be four-year project positions. Finally, provide \$88,500 GPR each year to meet federal matching requirements for supplies and service costs.
- 11. Dog Regulation and Rabies Control Program Overdraft (Paper #171). Transfer \$450,000 PR in 2021-22 from the Veterinary Examining Board PR appropriation to the dog licenses, rabies control, and related services appropriation to offset the anticipated June 30, 2021, closing balance of the appropriation.
- 12. *Industrial Hemp Program Staff (Paper #172)*. Require DATCP to study options for resolving the hemp program deficit, including modifying fees, relinquishing operations to the U.S. Department of Agriculture, or restructuring program operations. Require DATCP to report to the Committee by March 30, 2022, on its recommendations for resolving the hemp program deficit.
- 13. Veterinary Examining Board Staff (Paper #173). Adopt Alternative 1, which provides 1.0 PR permanent position with \$69,500 PR in 2021-22 and \$87,300 PR in 2022-23 to support Veterinary Examining Board regulatory duties.
- 14. Food, Lodging, and Recreation Regulation (Page 66, #3). Provide \$553,500 PR each year for additional expenditure authority associated with the Division of Food and Recreational

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Safety.

15. Enforcement Cost Recovery (Page 71, #13). Provide \$6,400 PR each year for additional expenditures of revenue received from court proceedings to offset the Department's costs of enforcement of its statutorily delegated regulatory authority.

Note:

[Change to Base: \$2,060,000 in 2021-22, consisting of \$1,072,800 GPR, \$941,200 PR, \$34,400 SEG, and \$11,600 FED in 2021-22; and \$2,214,500 in 2022-23, consisting of: \$1,100,200 GPR, \$1,032,100 PR, \$43,200 SEG, and \$39,000 FED in 2022-23; with 6.0 positions, consisting of 2.0 GPR, 2.1 PR, and 1.90 FED.]

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