



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

2009 Assembly Bill 782

**Assembly Substitute
Amendment 1, as Amended**

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Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 does the following:

- Creates a local food, farms, and jobs program which requires state entities which spend more than \$25,000 on food per fiscal year to attempt to ensure that, before 2020, at least 10% of the total amount expended for food per fiscal year is spent on food products that are grown in this state, produced from animals kept in this state, or primarily derived from food products grown in this state or produced from animals kept in this state.
- Also, requires, as part of the local food, farms, and jobs program, that state entities which spend more than \$25,000 on food per fiscal year must ensure that, beginning in 2020, of the total amount expended for food per fiscal year, at least 20% is spent on food products that are grown in this state, produced from animals kept in this state, or primarily derived from food products grown in this state or produced from animals kept in this state. State entities may identify a geographic preference area that would help them achieve these goals and may award the bid to the lowest responsible bidder submitting a bid from that area.
- Directs the council created by the Department of Agriculture, Trade and Consumer Protection (DATCP) for the current Buy Local, Buy Wisconsin program to undertake various activities, including encouraging entities that receive state funding and that spend more than \$25,000 per year on food for their students, residents, or clients to make expenditures for local food products that equal at least 10% of their total food product expenditures by 2020.

Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 does the following:

- Makes a technical change to specifically require the council created by DATCP for the current Buy Local, Buy Wisconsin program to advise DATCP on the local food, farms, and jobs program created in Assembly Substitute Amendment 1; and
- Clarifies that the local food, farms, and jobs council referred to in Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 is the current Buy Local, Buy Wisconsin advisory group.

Legislative History

Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 was offered by Representative Garthwaite on March 23, 2010. Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 was offered by Representative Garthwaite on April 7, 2010. On April 13, 2010, the Assembly Committee on Rural Economic Development recommended adoption of Assembly Amendment 1 to Assembly Substitute Amendment 1 on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 2; recommended adoption of Assembly Substitute Amendment 1, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 2; and recommended passage of the bill, as amended, on a vote of Ayes, 8; Noes, 2.

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