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1995 ASSEMBLY BILL 843

February 5, 1996 – Introduced by Representatives Jensen, Duff, Dobyns, Silbaugh, Green, Porter, Handrick, Kreibich, Olsen, Walker, Albers, Springer, Lazich, Klusman, F. Lasee, Huebsch, Grothman, Goetsch, Wasserman, Hahn, Ladwig and Nass, cosponsored by Senators Rude, Darling and Zien. Referred to Committee on Rural Affairs.

AN ACT to repeat	<i>tl</i> 20.115	(2) (i) and	70.425; to	amend	74.23 ((1) (a) 2.,	74.25	(1)

(a) 2., 74.25 (1) (a) 3., 74.30 (1) (b), 74.30 (1) (c) and 95.15; and *to create* 20.115 (2) (c) of the statutes; **relating to:** the occupational tax imposed on domestic mink farms, research concerning the breeding and raising of domestic mink and making an appropriation.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, there is an annual occupational tax in the amount of \$25 that is imposed on every person who owns or operates a domestic mink farm. The money raised from this tax is used to fund research in the breeding and raising of domestic mink. This bill eliminates the occupational tax. The bill funds the research program with general purpose revenue.

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. 20.005 (3) (schedule) of the statutes: at the appropriate place, insert the following amounts for the purposes indicated:

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2	20.115 Agriculture, trade and consumer							
3	protection							
4	(2) Animal health services							
5	(c) Mink research GPR A 6,000 6,000							
6	Section 2. 20.115 (2) (c) of the statutes is created to read:							
7	20.115 (2) (c) Mink research. The amounts in the schedule for research							
8	concerning domestic mink under s. 95.15.							
9	Section 3. 20.115 (2) (i) of the statutes is repealed.							
10	Section 4. 70.425 of the statutes is repealed.							
11	Section 5. 74.23 (1) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:							
12	74.23 (1) (a) 2. Pay to the proper treasurer all collections of special							
13	assessments, special charges and special taxes, except that occupational taxes under							
14	ss. 70.40 to 70.425 70.421 and forest cropland, woodland and managed forest land							
15	taxes under ch. 77 shall be settled for under s. $74.25\ (1)\ (a)\ 1.$ to $8.$							
16	SECTION 6. 74.25 (1) (a) 2. of the statutes is amended to read:							
17	74.25 (1) (a) 2. Pay to the proper treasurer all collections of special							
18	assessments, special charges and special taxes, except that occupational taxes under							
19	ss. 70.40 to 70.425 70.421 and forest cropland, woodland and managed forest land							
20	taxes under ch. 77 shall be settled for under subds. 5. to 8.							
21	SECTION 7. 74.25 (1) (a) 3. of the statutes is amended to read:							
22	74.25(1)(a) 3. Retain all collections of special assessments, special charges and							
23	special taxes due to the taxation district, except that occupational taxes under ss.							

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70.40 to 70.425 70.421 and forest cropland, woodland and managed forest land taxes 1 2 under ch. 77 shall be settled for under subds. 5. to 8. 3 **SECTION 8.** 74.30 (1) (b) of the statutes is amended to read: 4 74.30 (1) (b) Pay to the proper treasurer all collections of special assessments, 5 special charges and special taxes, except that occupational taxes under ss. 70.40 to 6 70.425 70.421 and forest cropland, woodland and managed forest land taxes under 7 ch. 77 shall be settled for under pars. (e) to (h). 8 **Section 9.** 74.30 (1) (c) of the statutes is amended to read: 9 74.30 (1) (c) Retain all collections of special assessments, special charges and 10 special taxes due to the taxation district, except that occupational taxes under ss. 11 70.40 to 70.425 70.421 and forest cropland, woodland and managed forest land taxes 12 under ch. 77 shall be settled for under pars. (e) to (h). 13 **Section 10.** 95.15 of the statutes is amended to read: 14 95.15 Mink research funds. The department shall use the funds 15 appropriated under s. 20.115 (2) (i) (c) for the purpose of promoting research in the 16 breeding and raising of domestic mink. Such funds may be used for gifts, grants, 17 compensation, awards or other payment to any person or institution in the manner

which the secretary deems will best promote such research.

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