



2015 ASSEMBLY BILL 646

January 7, 2016 - Introduced by Representatives NERISON, KULP, BALLWEG, E. BROOKS, HORLACHER, T. LARSON, A. OTT and TAUCHEN, cosponsored by Senators MOULTON and STROEBEL. Referred to Committee on Agriculture.

1 **AN ACT to renumber and amend** 94.72 (14) (a); and **to create** 94.72 (1) (im) and
2 94.72 (14) (a) 1. of the statutes; **relating to:** penalties for violating commercial
3 feed requirements and providing a criminal penalty.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law establishes certain requirements for manufacturers and distributors of commercial feed and feed products for animals and birds. Under current law, a person who violates these requirements is subject to a fine of up to \$200 or imprisonment for up to six months, or both.

This bill changes the penalties for violations of the commercial feed and feed product requirements. Under this bill, a person who violates these requirements is subject to a civil forfeiture of between \$100 and \$500 for the first violation, and between \$200 and \$1,000 for any additional violation within five years of the first violation. In addition, a manufacturer or distributor who knowingly violates these requirements may be subject to a fine of up to \$5,000 or imprisonment for up to one year, or both; and any other person who knowingly violates these requirements may be subject to a fine of up to \$1,000 or imprisonment for up to 30 days, or both.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

4 **SECTION 1.** 94.72 (1) (im) of the statutes is created to read:

