

SECTION 1

1 original bill (2) ELIGIBLE RECIPIENTS. The department shall establish and administer a
2 ^{originally, "economic development program"} program under which it may provide no-interest loans to milk producers for one or
3 ^{originally, "corporation" for WEDC but doesn't work for DATED "Department"} more of the eligible activities under sub. (3). An applicant may not receive a loan
4 under this section unless the applicant meets all of the following conditions:

5 original bill (a) At least 98 percent of the applicant's employees work for an operation
6 located in this state, or a number of the applicant's employees representing at least
7 98 percent of the applicant's total payroll expenses work for an operation located in
8 this state.

9 original bill (b) The applicant has not been the subject of any regulatory enforcement
10 actions relating to a violation of any federal, state, or local law related to the
11 environment, worker safety, food processing, or food safety within the previous 5
12 years ~~***KEY***~~

13 original bill (c) The applicant employs only individuals who are legally authorized to work
14 in this state.

15 original bill (d) The applicant is not the subject of an open bankruptcy proceeding.

16 original bill (e) ^{The applicant's dairy operation has at least 50, but no more than 714 producing dairy cows} ~~removed language~~
(3) ELIGIBLE ACTIVITIES. A milk producer that receives a no-interest loan

17 under this section may use the loan only to do one or more of the following:

18 (a) Incorporate methods and technologies into the person's operation that do
19 any of the following:

20 1. Improve farm efficiencies associated with milk production.

21 2. Improve animal care and health.

22 3. Improve milk quality.

23 4. Reduce environmental effects associated with ^{Originally, "manure"} nutrient management or

24 other dairy operation activities.