

State of Wisconsin



2009 Senate Bill 623

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2009 WISCONSIN ACT 374

AN ACT relating to: processing certain applications for farmland preservation agreements.

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

SECTION 1. Nonstatutory provisions.

(1) PROCESSING APPLICATIONS FOR FARMLAND PRESERVATION AGREEMENTS.

(a) Notwithstanding the repeal and recreation of chapter 91 of the statutes by [2009 Wisconsin Act 28](#) and subject to paragraphs (b) and (c), the department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection shall process an application for a farmland preservation agreement in accordance with chapter 91, 2007 stats., if the application was submitted to the county clerk under section 91.13 (1), 2007 stats., no earlier than January 1, 2008, and no later than June 30, 2009, and if processing of the application was not completed before July 1, 2009. Section 91.60 (3) of the statutes, as affected by [2009 Wisconsin Act 28](#), applies to a farmland preservation agreement

entered into under this subsection as though the farmland preservation agreement had been entered into before July 1, 2009.

(b) The department of agriculture, trade and consumer protection shall send a letter by certified mail to each person who submitted an application to which paragraph (a) applies stating that, if the person still wishes to enter into a farmland preservation agreement, the person must notify the department within 90 days. If, on or before the 90th day after the day on which a person receives a letter under this paragraph, the person does not notify the department that the person still wishes to enter into a farmland preservation agreement, the department may not enter into a farmland preservation agreement with the person.

(c) A farmland preservation agreement entered into under this subsection expires 10 years from the day on which the application was submitted to the county clerk.

* Section 991.11, WISCONSIN STATUTES 2007–08 : Effective date of acts. “Every act and every portion of an act enacted by the legislature over the governor’s partial veto which does not expressly prescribe the time when it takes effect shall take effect on the day after its date of publication as designated” by the secretary of state [the date of publication may not be more than 10 working days after the date of enactment].