



State of Wisconsin  
2019 - 2020 LEGISLATURE

LRB-5598/2  
ARG:amn

## 2019 SENATE BILL 817

February 12, 2020 - Introduced by Senator TESTIN, cosponsored by Representatives KURTZ, KRUG, CONSIDINE, BALLWEG, DUCHOW, EDMING, KULP, MURSAU, NOVAK, OLDENBURG, SARGENT, SPREITZER, SUMMERFIELD and WITTKE. Referred to Committee on Agriculture, Revenue and Financial Institutions.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 20.285 (1) (sp); and *to create* 36.25 (56) of the statutes;  
2             **relating to:** a Wisconsin hemp fiber innovation and technology accelerator in  
3             the Wisconsin Institute for Sustainable Technology at the University of  
4             Wisconsin–Stevens Point and making an appropriation.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

This bill requires the Board of Regents of the University of Wisconsin System to establish a Wisconsin hemp fiber innovation and technology accelerator in the Wisconsin Institute for Sustainable Technology at UW–Stevens Point if at least \$125,000 is received in fiscal year 2019–20 in gifts, grants, or donations to support the accelerator. If this condition is satisfied, the Board of Regents must allocate \$125,000 in funding for the accelerator, and the bill provides this funding to the Board of Regents from the environmental fund. The bill also changes the appropriation for the Wisconsin Institute for Sustainable Technology from an annual appropriation to a biennial appropriation.

For further information see the **state** fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

5             **SECTION 1.** 20.285 (1) (sp) of the statutes is amended to read:

