

Wisconsin Farm Bureau: Statement on Ag export bill signing

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MADISON – On Friday, Dec. 3, Wisconsin Governor Tony Evers signed Assembly Bill 314, now 2021 Wisconsin Act 92, investing five million dollars to export Wisconsin agricultural goods. Under Wisconsin Act 92, the Wisconsin Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection’s Center for International Agribusiness Marketing will work with the Wisconsin Economic Development Corporation on a plan to increase the value of Wisconsin’s milk and dairy, meat, crop, and other product exports by 25 percent by June 30, 2026.

Wisconsin Farm Bureau Federation President Kevin Krentz released this statement following the bill’s signage:

“Exports are critically important to agriculture. By providing opportunities for product innovation and new market access, we also provide opportunities for new and existing market development for Wisconsin’s agricultural products.

Wisconsin Farm Bureau applauds the Governor for his support of the Wisconsin Initiative for Agricultural Exports. These investments help create long-term relationships with export markets that are sure to pay dividends for Wisconsin agriculture and our local communities in the years ahead.

Additionally, WFBF was pleased to see unanimous support of this important legislation in both the Assembly and Senate prior to arriving on the Governor's desk. We appreciate the Wisconsin legislature's continued commitment to agriculture in the biennial budget.

WFBF's dedicated team of lobbyists advocated on behalf of Wisconsin farmers to secure funding and build a program to help get Wisconsin agricultural goods across the globe through enhanced export opportunities. This legislation will help support the diverse commodities grown in Wisconsin through much needed market access and support."