



State of Wisconsin  
2025 - 2026 LEGISLATURE

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## 2025 SENATE BILL 37

February 12, 2025 - Introduced by Senator JACQUE, cosponsored by Representatives SORTWELL, ARMSTRONG, BEHNKE, DITTRICH, GOEBEN, KREIBICH, MIRESSE, WICHGERS and STROUD. Referred to Committee on Transportation and Local Government.

1     **AN ACT** *to create* 66.04075 of the statutes; **relating to:** local regulation of  
2     vegetable gardens.

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

This bill prohibits a political subdivision from requiring a permit for or prohibiting the cultivation of a vegetable or flower garden on residential property not owned by the political subdivision.

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

3     **SECTION 1.** 66.04075 of the statutes is created to read:  
4     **66.04075 Vegetable and flower gardens.** (1) In this section:  
5     (a) “Political subdivision” means a city, village, town, or county.  
6     (b) “Vegetable garden” means a plot of ground or elevated soil bed that is  
7     located on a residential property and in which any of the following are grown:  
8     1. Vegetables, herbs, fruits, leafy greens, or other edible plants.

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## SECTION 1

## 2. Flowers.

### 3. Pollinator plants.

(2) A political subdivision may not require a permit for or prohibit the cultivation of a vegetable garden on property not owned by the political subdivision.

(3) This section does not affect the power of a municipality to do any of the following if the regulation does not specifically regulate vegetable gardens:

(a) Enact a zoning ordinance.

(b) Regulate the use of water or fertilizer.

(c) Control noxious weeds, as defined under s. 66.0407 (1) (b), or invasive species.

**(END)**