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CHAPTER 20.

AN ACT to amend section 1548 of the statutes of 1898, regulating the expiration of liquor licenses in certain cases.

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

License, how granted; application; fee; term and execution.

SECTION 1. Section 1548 of the statutes of 1898 is hereby amended so as to read as follows: Section 1548. Each town board, village board and common council may grant license under the conditions and restrictions in this chapter contained to such persons as they deem proper to keep groceries, saloons or other places within their respective towns, villages or cities for the sale of strong, spirituous, malt, ardent or intoxicating liquors. The sum to be paid for such license shall (subject to the right to increase the same as in this chapter provided) be in towns having within their boundaries no city or village, incorporated or unincorporated, with a population of five hundred or more, one hundred dollars, and in all cities and villages and other towns two hundred dollars, except for registered pharmacists as in this chapter provided. The application for any such license shall be in writing and shall state the kind of license applied for and designate the premises where such liquors shall be sold. All such licenses shall remain in force until the first Tuesday of July next after the granting thereof unless sooner revoked by the board or council granting the same; they shall be attested by the town, city or village clerk and shall not be delivered until the applicant shall produce and file with the clerk a receipt showing the payment of the sum required therefor to the proper treasurer and until the filing with the clerk of the bond provided for in section 1549. All town and village boards and common councils or the duly authorized committees of such councils shall meet, and be in session on the third Monday of each June and from day to day thereafter, so long as it may be necessary, for the purpose of acting upon such applications as may be presented to them conformably to this chapter. The population of any city or village shall be ascertained by the last preceding enumeration by the state or general government. No such license shall be granted to any person or persons for the sale of any such liquors within a distance

of two and one-half miles of the grounds of the Wisconsin veterans' home in the town of Farmington, county of Waupaca, nor to any person who is the owner or keeper, directly or indirectly, of a house of ill-fame or house of prostitution.

Extension of license. SECTION 2. *All licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors, heretofore granted according to law, and expiring by the terms thereof on the first Tuesday of May next, may be extended, by the several boards and common councils, until the first Tuesday of July following, conformable to the provisions of this act, upon the payment of the pro rata proportion of the annual license fees, and upon the terms, conditions and in the manner provided for in section 1 of this act.*

Effect and application of this act. SECTION 3. *Nothing contained in this act shall be construed to diminish the sum to be paid for such license in any city or village in this state as provided by the charter or ordinances thereof or by any general law of the state, but in all other respects this act shall apply and extend to cities having special charters as well as to all other cities, towns and villages.*

SECTION 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved March 20, 1905.