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AN ACT to amend 176.05 (2) of the statutes, relating to removing certain restrictions on the amount of liquor that may be sold for off-premise consumption and changing certain references to English-size containers to metric equivalents.

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

SECTION 1. 176.05 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

176.05 (2) KIND OF LICENSES. (a) Licenses to sell, deal, or traffic in intoxicating liquors shall be designated either "Retail Class A" or "Retail Class B". A retail license "Class A" shall permit its holder to sell, deal and traffic in intoxicating liquors only in original packages or containers, in quantities of not more than 3 wine gallons at any one time, and to be consumed off the premises so licensed, except that wine may be sold in the original package or otherwise in any quantity. A retail license "Class B" shall permit its holder to sell, deal and traffic in intoxicating liquors to be consumed by the glass only on the premises so licensed and not in the original package or container. Wine, however, may be sold in the original package or otherwise in any quantity to be consumed off the premises. The provisions of this paragraph relating to retail "Class B" licenses shall apply to all towns, cities and villages except those located in counties having a population of 500,000 or more, and such towns, cities and villages as by their governing bodies elect to come under the provisions of par. (b).

(b) In all counties not having a population of 500,000 or more, and in all towns, cities and villages that by ordinance of their governing bodies elect to come under this paragraph, a retail license "Class B" shall permit its holder to sell, deal and traffic in intoxicating liquors to be consumed by the glass only on the premises so licensed, and in the original package or containers, in multiples not to exceed one gallon 4 liters at any one time, and to be consumed off the premises so licensed, except that wine may be sold in the original package or otherwise in any quantity to be consumed off the premises, and except that in counties having a population of 500,000 or more in towns, eities and villages that by ordinance elect to come under this paragraph the limit shall be not more than one quart.

SECTION 2. Effective date. This act shall take effect July 31, 1977.