



## 1995 SENATE BILL 479

January 11, 1996 - Introduced by Senators BURKE, ROSENZWEIG and BRESKE, cosponsored by Representatives WALKER, CULLEN, RILEY and GROTHMAN, by request of City of Milwaukee. Referred to Committee on Business, Economic Development and Urban Affairs.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 125.26 (2) (b) 1.; and *to create* 125.26 (2) (b) 1m. and 125.33  
2           (2g) of the statutes; **relating to:** allowing cities, villages and towns to issue  
3           Class “B” licenses to certain brewery employees.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, no city, village or town (municipality) may issue a license authorizing the retail sale of fermented malt beverages for consumption on the premises where sold (Class “B” license) to any person who commercially manufactures fermented malt beverages. This bill allows a municipality to issue a Class “B” license to any person employed by a brewery if that person is employed only in a position in which he or she could not affect the pricing or distribution of that brewery’s products and that person is otherwise qualified to hold a Class “B” license.

Also under current law, no brewer may furnish, give or lend any money or other thing of value to any person who holds a Class “B” license. This bill allows a brewery to compensate a brewery employe who holds a Class “B” license in an amount not more than the compensation paid to a comparable employe of that brewery who does not hold a Class “B” license or, if there is no comparable employe, in an amount equal to the fair market value of the services performed by that employe.

For further information see the *state and local* 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:*

4           **SECTION 1.** 125.26 (2) (b) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:  
5           125.26 (2) (b) 1. Except as provided in subd. 1m. and s. 125.31, Class “B”  
6           licenses may not be issued to brewers.

