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March 22, 1999

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Office of Senator Roger Breske

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FROM:

Eric J. Petersen

RE:

SB 71

Pursuant to our meeting last week attended by Senator Breske, Scott Stenger, myself and you, enclosed is an amendment which satisfies the concerns of both the Wisconsin Wine & Spirit Institute as well as the Wisconsin Tavern League. Briefly, this amendment ensures compliance with existing pricing laws by requiring that "Class A" licensees purchase wine used for taste samples. Additionally, the amendment requires that the taste samples be served by persons holding a current operators license.

From a policy perspective, this ensures two things. First, that the desire by "Class A" licensees to hold wine tastings does not create momentum to encourage wholesalers to underwrite this activity. As I hope I demonstrated in our meeting, Wisconsin pricing laws would demand free samples for all "Class A" licensees if they were given for any.

Second, both the Wine & Spirit Institute, as well as the Tavern League, believe servers at wine tastings to be held by "Class A" licensees to be licensed in a manner consistent with the regulatory regime imposed upon "Class B" licensees.

Hopefully, the amendment as we have drafted it, comports with the oral understanding we reached at our meeting. If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at (608) 256-5223.

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enclosure

1999 - 2000 LEGISLATURE

AMENDMENT 1 TO SENATE BILL 71

Amendment 1 to Senate Bill 71 adds the following language at line 5:

Notwithstanding 125.68 (2), all taste samples must be served by a person holding an operator's license issued under s. 125.17. Any wine used by the "Class A" licensee for taste samples shall be purchased from a licensed wholesaler in accord with s. 125.69.

[END]

[The purpose of this Amendment is to ensure compliance with existing pricing laws by requiring that "Class A" licensees purchase wine used for taste samples. Additionally, the Amendment requires that taste samples be served by persons holding an operator's license.]

DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

April 5, 1999



Sen. Breske:

I did not include the statement suggested by Mr. Eric J. Peterson (to require wine provided as samples to have been purchased from a wholesaler). It seems to me that s. 125.69 (4) (a) 2., stats., already requires this. See also, ss. 125.67, 125.32 (6) (a) and 125.02 (20), stats. Adding the proposed language also undercuts existing law by suggesting that gifts of alcohol may be offered as samples under existing "sampling" language that does not include that requirement, and by calling into question the intended meaning of ss. 125.67 and 125.32 (6), stats.

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See form AMENDMENTS — COMPONENTS & ITEMS.
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