



2001 SENATE BILL 309

November 6, 2001 - Introduced by Senators HANSEN, BAUMGART, BURKE, DECKER, PLACHE, RISSER and WIRCH, cosponsored by Representatives GUNDERSON, BALOW, LASSA, J. LEHMAN and MEYERHOFER. Referred to Committee on Labor and Agriculture.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 103.85 (2) (c); and *to create* 103.85 (2) (cm) and 103.85 (2m)
2 of the statutes; **relating to:** one day of rest in 7 for a person who is employed
3 exclusively in the production of pasteurized cheese products that have
4 expiration dates that are not less than 60 days after the date on which the
5 products were packaged.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, subject to certain exceptions, every employer who owns or operates a factory or mercantile establishment must allow every person employed in the factory or mercantile establishment to have at least 24 consecutive hours of rest in every period of seven consecutive days (one day of rest in seven). Currently, an employer of a person employed in the manufacture of butter, cheese, or other dairy products, in the distribution of milk or cream, or in a cannery or freezer is not required to allow the person to have one day of rest in seven. This bill requires a person who is employed exclusively in the production of pasteurized processed cheese products that have expiration dates that are not less than 60 days after the date on which the products were packaged to be given one day of rest in seven, unless the person voluntarily agrees to work without one day of rest in seven.

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

