

2007 SENATE BILL 399

January 17, 2008 – Introduced by Senators LASSA, GROTHMAN, LEHMAN and VINEHOUT, cosponsored by Representatives MOLEPSKE, MUSSER, VRUWINK, A. OTT and ALBERS. Referred to Committee on Transportation and Tourism.

- 1 **AN ACT** *to renumber and amend* 125.51 (1) (b); and *to create* 125.51 (1) (b) 1.
2 to 3. of the statutes; **relating to:** issuance of retail intoxicating liquor licenses.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, a municipal governing body may grant and issue “Class A” and “Class B” retail licenses authorizing the sale of intoxicating liquor and “Class C” retail licenses authorizing the sale of wine. A member of the municipal governing body may not sell or offer to sell to any person holding or applying for a retail license any bond, material, product, or thing that may be used by the licensee in carrying on the retail business.

This bill modifies the interest restriction on a member of a municipal governing body by providing that such a member may not hold an intoxicating liquor wholesaler’s permit or, with respect to the issuance or denial of retail licenses: 1) realize substantial personal gain through official conduct or have any interest that interferes with the full and faithful discharge of his or her duties; 2) use his or her public position to obtain financial gain or anything of substantial value for himself or herself or certain others; or 3) solicit or accept from any person anything of value if it could reasonably be expected to influence his or her official actions or judgment.

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

