

2007 SENATE BILL 52

February 20, 2007 – Introduced by Senator BRESKE, cosponsored by Representatives BOYLE, MUSSER, SHERIDAN, TURNER, SHERMAN, POCAN and BERCEAU. Referred to Committee on Transportation, Tourism and Insurance.

1 **AN ACT** *to amend* 125.32 (3) (a), 125.68 (4) (c) 1. and 175.095 (2) of the statutes;
2 **relating to:** daylight saving time and closing hours for certain alcohol
3 beverages retailers.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Federal law governing daylight saving time supersedes state law governing daylight saving time. Effective through 2006, federal law provides that daylight saving time begins at 2 a.m. on the first Sunday of April and ends at 2 a.m. on the last Sunday of October each year. Beginning in 2007, federal law provides that daylight saving time begins on the second Sunday of March and ends on the first Sunday of November each year.

The current state statute defining standard time provides that daylight saving time begins at 1 a.m. on the first Sunday of April and ends at 2 a.m. on the last Sunday of October each year. This bill provides that daylight saving time begins at 2 a.m. on the second Sunday of March and ends at 2 a.m. on the first Sunday of November each year.

Under current law, with exceptions, no premises for which a Class “B” license (authorizing the retail sale of beer for consumption on or off the premises where sold) or a “Class B” license (authorizing the retail sale of intoxicating liquor for consumption on or, subject to certain conditions, off the premises where sold) has been issued may remain open between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m. However, on Saturdays and Sundays, closing time is 2:30 a.m. rather than 2 a.m. This bill

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provides that, on the Sunday that daylight saving time begins, closing time is 3:30 a.m. rather than 2:30 a.m.

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

1 **SECTION 1.** 125.32 (3) (a) of the statutes is amended to read:

2 125.32 **(3)** (a) No premises for which a Class “B” license or permit is issued may
3 remain open between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m., except as provided in this
4 paragraph and par. (c). On Saturday and Sunday, the closing hours shall be between
5 2:30 a.m. and 6 a.m. except that, on the Sunday that daylight saving time begins as
6 specified in s. 175.095 (2), the closing hours shall be between 3:30 a.m. and 6 a.m.
7 On January 1 premises operating under a Class “B” license or permit are not
8 required to close.

9 **SECTION 2.** 125.68 (4) (c) 1. of the statutes is amended to read:

10 125.68 **(4)** (c) 1. Subject to subd. 3. and s. 125.51 (3r) (a) 3., no premises for
11 which a “Class B” license or permit or a “Class C” license has been issued may remain
12 open between the hours of 2 a.m. and 6 a.m., except as otherwise provided in this
13 subdivision and subd. 4. On January 1 premises operating under a “Class B” license
14 or permit are not required to close. On Saturday and Sunday, no premises may
15 remain open between 2:30 a.m. and 6 a.m. except that, on the Sunday that daylight
16 saving time begins as specified in s. 175.095 (2), no premises may remain open
17 between 3:30 a.m. and 6 a.m. This subdivision does not apply to a “Class B” license
18 issued to a winery under s. 125.51 (3) (am).

19 **SECTION 3.** 175.095 (2) of the statutes is amended to read:

