



WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2007 Wisconsin Act 3
[2007 Senate Bill 52]

**Daylight Saving Time and Closing
Hours for Certain Alcohol Beverage
Retailers**

2007 Wisconsin Act 3 amends the law relating to daylight saving time and closing hours for certain alcohol beverage retailers.

Federal law governing daylight saving time supersedes state law governing daylight saving time. Federal law provides that, beginning in 2007, daylight saving time begins on the second Sunday of March and ends on the first Sunday of November each year. Act 3 amends the state daylight saving time statute to conform to the federal law, so that daylight saving time in Wisconsin begins on the second Sunday of March and ends on the first Sunday of November each year.

Current law, with exceptions, prohibits a 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) from remaining open between the hours of 2:00 a.m. and 6:00 a.m. However, on Saturdays and Sundays, closing time is 2:30 a.m. Act 3 provides that, on the Sunday that daylight saving time begins, closing time is 3:30 a.m. rather than 2:30 a.m.

Effective Date: Act 3 takes effect on March 8, 2007.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature’s Web site at: <http://www.legis.state.wi.us/>.