



2011 SENATE BILL 324

December 7, 2011 – Introduced by Senator RISSER, cosponsored by Representative HULSEY. Referred to Committee on Judiciary, Utilities, Commerce, and Government Operations.

1 **AN ACT** *to create* 125.51 (4) (w) 5. of the statutes; **relating to:** allowing a village
2 in Dane County meeting specified criteria to exceed its retail liquor license
3 quota by issuing three additional retail licenses.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Current law prohibits a person from selling alcohol beverages at retail unless the seller possesses a license or permit authorizing the sale. A “Class B” license authorizes the retail sale of intoxicating liquor for consumption on the retail premises and, subject to various restrictions, the retail sale of intoxicating liquor in original packages for consumption off the retail premises. Current law imposes a quota on the number of “Class B” licenses that a municipality may issue. This quota is generally determined by a formula based on the number of licenses previously issued by the municipality and the municipality’s population. Current law also provides a limited number of quota exceptions.

This bill allows a village located in Dane County having a specified population to issue three “Class B” licenses in addition to the “Class B” licenses authorized under the village’s quota.

For further information see the *local* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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

