



## WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL AMENDMENT MEMO

**2013 Senate Bill 445**

**Senate  
Amendment 1**

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Retail food establishments are licensed by the Department of Agriculture, Trade, and Consumer Protection (DATCP). Under current law, licenses are for a term of one year, and expire on June 30. 2013 Senate Bill 445 authorizes a local health department in a first-class city (i.e., Milwaukee) to enter into an agreement with DATCP to serve as DATCP's agent in issuing retail food establishment licenses. While the bill retains the one-year term of licenses, it allows the City of Milwaukee to issue licenses renewable on any date of the city's choosing.

Senate Amendment 1 to 2013 Senate Bill 445 allows the City of Milwaukee to extend the term of a retail food establishment license it issues in order to align the term of that license with the annual term of any other license or permit it issues to an individual establishment. It also authorizes the city to prorate the fee for the extended license to reflect the additional number of months covered by the license.

### **Bill History**

Senate Amendment 1 was offered by Senator Gudex, the bill's author, on January 17, 2014. On January 21, 2014, the Senate Committee on Energy, Consumer Protection, and Government Reform voted to recommend adoption of Senate Amendment 1 and passage of Senate Bill 445, as amended, on votes of Ayes, 5; and Noes, 0.

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