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## CHAPTER 266.

AN ACT to amend 348.54 (1) of the statutes, relating to the sale of merchandise by employers to employes.

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

348.54 (1) of the statutes is amended to read:

348.54 (1) No person, firm or corporation engaged in any enterprise in this state shall by any method or procedure directly or indirectly by itself or through a subsidiary agency owned or controlled in whole or in part by such person, firm or corporation, sell or procure for sale or have in its possession or under its control for sale to its employes or any person any article, material, product or merchandise of whatsoever nature not of his or its own production or not handled in his or its regular course of trade, excepting meals, candy bars, eigarettes \* \* \* and tobacco for the exclusive use and consumption of such employes of the employer, and excepting tools used by employes in said enterprise and such specialized appliances and paraphernalia as may be required in said enterprise for the employes' safety or health and articles used by employes or other persons which insure better sanitary conditions and quality in the manufacture of food or food products. The provisions of this subsection shall not apply to lumber producers, loggers and dealers nor to any co-operative association organized under chapter 185. This section shall not be construed as authorizing the sale of any merchandise at less than cost as defined in section 100.30.

Approved May 23, 1951.