

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2007 Wisconsin Act 192 [2007 Senate Bill 429]

Certain Village Allowed to Exceed Liquor License Quota By One Additional Retail License

Current law imposes a **quota** on the number of "Class B" (liquor bar) retail intoxicating liquor 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**.

2007 Wisconsin Act 192 creates a new, limited quota exception, allowing any village in the northern geographical half of Ozaukee County having a population of more than 4,000 to issue one "Class B" license in addition to the "Class B" licenses authorized under the village's quota.

Act 192 specifies that:

- 1. No "Class B" license may be issued under the Act *after the first day of the 4th month* beginning after the effective date of the Act [i.e., after August 1, 2008].
- 2. If a "Class B" license issued under the Act is surrendered to the issuing village, not renewed, or revoked, the village may not reissue the license.

Effective Date: Act 192 takes effect on April 11, 2008.

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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/.