1995 SENATE BILL 616

March 12, 1996 – Introduced by Senators RISSER and ZIEN, cosponsored by Representatives Skindrud, Green, Travis, Baldwin, Hanson, Black and Kelso. Referred to Committee on Business, Economic Development and Urban Affairs.

AN ACT *to amend* 125.33 (2) (hr) of the statutes; **relating to:** allowing a brewer or alcohol beverage wholesaler to contribute things of value to certain nonprofit corporations.

Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau

Under current law, no brewer or alcohol beverage wholesaler may directly or indirectly furnish, give, lend, lease or sell any equipment, fixtures, supplies, money or any other thing of value to any person who holds a license for the retail sale of fermented malt beverages for consumption on the premises where sold (fermented malt beverage retailer). Nor may a brewer or alcohol beverage wholesaler provide any thing of value to another person for the use, benefit or relief of a fermented malt beverage retailer. The statutes contain numerous specific exceptions to these prohibitions.

This bill allows a brewer or alcohol beverage wholesaler to contribute money or other things of value to, or for the benefit of, a nonprofit corporation that conducts festivals or other events in a 2nd class city having a population of 90,000 or more if the festival or event is endorsed by the governing body of that city.

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

- **SECTION 1.** 125.33 (2) (hr) of the statutes is created to read:
- 5 125.33 (2) (hr) Contribute money or other things of value to or for the benefit
- of a nonprofit corporation that conducts festivals or other events in a 2nd class city

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- having a population of 90,000 or more, if that festival or event is endorsed by that
- 2 municipal corporation.

3 (END)